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## State of Arkansas

December 14, 2023

Dear Auditor of State Payroll Recipient,

I am writing to update you on the progress my team and I have made in converting the Auditor's office to the Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System (AASIS). Let me take a moment to remind you that my office is transitioning from the current in-house payroll system to AASIS because the current system is going OUT of SERVICE in March 2025. The offer to replace the current system was going to cost over \$187,000 to initiate and approximately \$129,600 a year to maintain. I chose to convert our accounting and payroll system to AASIS because it is state supported, used by most of state government, and will not cost the Auditor's office any additional taxpayer funds. Accordingly, my team and I are working closely with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), which is a division of the Office of Transformation and Shared Services (TSS), to accomplish this task.

After my letter in October, several individuals indicated financial concerns with a 40-hour paycheck with benefit deductions immediately after the holidays. I took those concerns to heart. Therefore, in January 2024, pay periods will transition to 80-hours, paid bi-weekly. The 40-hour paycheck switch to payment-in-arrears will occur on March 8, 2024.

Additionally, after consulting with the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) we have engaged a CPA firm to provide oversight of the transition of the payroll from current to arrears processing.

Please know that this is important to everyone on my team, and they are working hard to make this transition flow as smoothly as possible. If you have any questions and/or concerns, feel free to reach out to Melissa Corrigan, Chief of Staff, or Kristina Duke, Assistant Chief of Staff/Accounting Department Manager at (501) 682-6000.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Dennis Milligan
Auditor of State

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