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In our opinion, because of the incomplete presentation and omission of note disclosures discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, in all material respects, the financial position of the South Carolina Department of Commerce - Division of Public Railways as of December 31, 2003, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Columbia, South Carolina
May 27, 2004