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Subject: FW: CHIEF AUDITOR

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Search Committee,

At Bill Condon's request, I am forwarding the below email to you concerning Paul Townes. Thank you.

Sam

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From: Condon, Bill

Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2013 8:49 AM

To: Wilkins, Sam

Subject: FW: CHIEF AUDITOR

Importance: High

Sam, I received the below email that included a recommendation of Paul Townes. I wanted to inform you and give you the opportunity to send it to the entire committee, if appropriate.

Bill

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From: Leidinger, Bill

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2013 5:25 PM

To: Condon, Bill

Subject: FW: CHIEF AUDITOR

Importance: High

**FYI....per my note to Sarah.....Bill**

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From: Sarah [mailto:[bramlett@comporium.net](mailto:bramlett@comporium.net)]

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2013 3:56 PM

To: Leidinger, Bill

Subject: RE: CHIEF AUDITOR

Importance: High

Hello Bill.

I just find out that Paul Townes has applied for a position as State Auditor. He called me and asked if he could use me as a reference, and I am honored to do so. I am the one who hired Paul several years ago, and was specifically interested in his "efficiency" background, and perspective coming from both his public and private experience. And more importantly, he has a strong moral and ethical character and strong interpersonal skills which are critically important for an auditor, particularly in a top position. His accounting skills cannot be questioned either in public or private positions as he maintains his CPA license and has had good continuing education and he is PARTICULARLY STRONG IN FRAUD AREAS.

He has worked very hard as first the Deputy Chief Internal Auditor and now the Chief Internal Auditor at the SCDOT, and saved the taxpayers millions and millions of dollars in spite of attempts to "cover things up" at the

DOT.

If you or the Treasurer feel led to support him, I think it would be good for the State of SC!!!

Blessings,

Sarah

p.s. Please give Treasurer Loftis my best. I'm still plugging away on my MBA. Lordy, Lordy it's hard.

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