November 30, 2016

TO COUNTY ASSESSORS: No. 2016/047

ALAMEDA COUNTY
ASSESSMENT PRACTICES SURVEY

A copy of the Alameda County Assessment Practices Survey Report is enclosed for your information. The Board of Equalization (BOE) completed this survey in fulfillment of the provisions of sections 15640-15646 of the Government Code. These code sections provide that the BOE shall make surveys in specific counties to determine that the practices and procedures used by the county assessor in the valuation of properties are in conformity with all provisions of law.

The Honorable Ron Thomsen, Alameda County Assessor, was provided a draft of this report and given an opportunity to file a written response to the findings and recommendations contained therein. The report, including the assessor's response, constitutes the final survey report, which is distributed to the Governor, the Attorney General, and the State Legislature; and to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Grand Jury, and Assessment Appeals Board.

Fieldwork for this survey was performed by the BOE's County-Assessed Properties Division from November through December 2014. The report does not reflect changes implemented by the assessor after the fieldwork was completed.

Mr. Thomsen and his staff gave their complete cooperation during the survey. We gratefully acknowledge their patience and courtesy during the interruption of their normal work routine.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Yeung for

Dean R. Kinnee
Deputy Director
Property Tax Department

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Enclosure