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Dr. Margaret Perry, Chairman
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Dear Dr. Perry:

Staff from the Office of Financial Accountability (OFA) conducted an onsite review of the supporting documentation and the compliance with the provisions of the contract of the Council Initiative award to the Morning Star Sanctuary, on November 15th, 2007. Our review covered only the expenditures for following contracts with the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County (Metro) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007:

<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Contract Award</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
L-1800	\$5,000.00	Assist in paying for utility bills.
L-1735	\$2,000.00	Assist in paying for utility bills.

Our monitoring objectives were as follows:

- To verify the organization's compliance with the contract requirements of the Council Initiative Award(s).
- To verify compliance with Metro requirements for allowable and eligible costs of the Council Initiative Award(s).
- To obtain assurance of the organization's compliance with Metro's reporting requirements of the Council Initiative Award(s).

A monitoring review is substantially less in scope than an audit. The OFA did not audit the Morning Star Sanctuary's financial statements and, accordingly, does not express an opinion or any assurances regarding the financial statements of Metro or the Morning Star Sanctuary. The monitoring review was conducted in accordance with the Metro Grants Manual and was limited to the specific expenditures of the Council Initiative awards. The OFA did not review the agency's expenditures and operations that do not relate to the Council award.

There were no instances of noncompliance identified during the monitoring review.

We appreciate the assistance provided by your agency during the course of the review. If you have any questions, please call me at (615) 880-1035.

Sincerely,

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