



HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**RE: 2013-2014 Orange County Grand Jury
Response to Recommendation R1**

We agree with your recommendation that all school districts in Orange County should include a clear explanation of the assumed future growth rate of assessed values in the bond election materials made available to voters for future bond issues. We agree this explanation should reference the relevant historical assessed value data for the individual district.

Huntington Beach City School District hasn't had a bond election since 2002 so we don't have any examples of current materials explaining assumed future growth rates of assessed values.

Historical data concerning the District tax base referenced in the Official Statement of the 2014A General Obligation Refunding Bonds includes assessed valuations from 2009-2010 through 2014-2014 as provided by California Municipal Statistics, Inc. and includes the statement, "It is possible that there may be future reductions of assessed valuations in the District as a result of weakness in the local real estate market."

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 714-378-2050.

Sincerely,

Jon M. Archibald
Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services