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# Appraisal Subcommittee

*Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council*

October 17, 2019

Mr. Thomas Stevens, Board Chairman  
Board of Real Estate Appraisers  
P O Box 200513  
Helena, MT 59620-0513

RE: ASC Compliance Review of Montana's Appraiser Regulatory Program

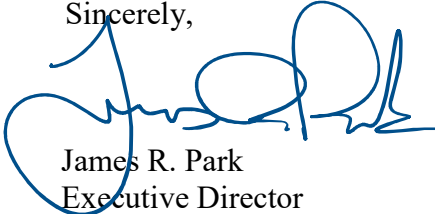
Dear Mr. Stevens:

The Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC) staff conducted an ASC Compliance Review (Review) of the Montana appraiser regulatory program (Appraiser Program) on September 23-27, 2019, to determine the Program's compliance with Title XI of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, as amended.

The Appraiser Program has been awarded an ASC Finding of "Excellent." Montana will remain on a two-year Review Cycle. The final ASC Compliance Review Report (Report) of the Montana Appraiser Program is attached.

This letter and the attached Report are public records and available on the ASC website. Please contact us if you have any questions about this Report.

Sincerely,



James R. Park  
Executive Director

Attachment

cc: Ms. Sharon Peterson, Executive Officer  
Mr. David Cook, Deputy Division Administrator

## ASC Finding Descriptions

ASC Finding	Rating Criteria	Review Cycle*
Excellent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State meets all Title XI mandates and complies with requirements of ASC Policy Statements</li> <li>• State maintains a strong regulatory Program</li> <li>• Very low risk of Program failure</li> </ul>	2-year
Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State meets the majority of Title XI mandates and complies with the majority of ASC Policy Statement requirements</li> <li>• Deficiencies are minor in nature</li> <li>• State is adequately addressing deficiencies identified and correcting them in the normal course of business</li> <li>• State maintains an effective regulatory Program</li> <li>• Low risk of Program failure</li> </ul>	2-year
Needs Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State does not meet all Title XI mandates and does not comply with all requirements of ASC Policy Statements</li> <li>• Deficiencies are material but manageable and if not corrected in a timely manner pose a potential risk to the Program</li> <li>• State may have a history of repeated deficiencies but is showing progress toward correcting deficiencies</li> <li>• State regulatory Program needs improvement</li> <li>• Moderate risk of Program failure</li> </ul>	2-year with additional monitoring
Not Satisfactory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State does not meet all Title XI mandates and does not comply with all requirements of ASC Policy Statements</li> <li>• Deficiencies present a significant risk and if not corrected in a timely manner pose a well-defined risk to the Program</li> <li>• State may have a history of repeated deficiencies and requires more supervision to ensure corrective actions are progressing</li> <li>• State regulatory Program has substantial deficiencies</li> <li>• Substantial risk of Program failure</li> </ul>	1-year
Poor <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State does not meet Title XI mandates and does not comply with requirements of ASC Policy Statements</li> <li>• Deficiencies are significant and severe, require immediate attention and if not corrected represent critical flaws in the Program</li> <li>• State may have a history of repeated deficiencies and may show a lack of willingness or ability to correct deficiencies</li> <li>• High risk of Program failure</li> </ul>	Continuous monitoring

\*Program history or nature of deficiency may warrant a more accelerated Review Cycle.

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<sup>1</sup> An ASC Finding of “Poor” may result in significant consequences to the State. See Policy Statement 5, *Reciprocity*; see also Policy Statement 8, *Interim Sanctions*.

## ASC State Appraiser Program Compliance Review Report

ASC Finding: Excellent  
 Final Report Issue Date: October 17, 2019

Montana Appraiser Regulatory Program (State)

Montana Board of Real Estate Appraisers (Board)

PM: J. Tidwell

ASC Compliance Review Date: September 23-27, 2019

Review Period: June 2017 to September 2019

Umbrella Agency: Montana Department of Labor & Industry

Number of State Credentialed Appraisers on Appraiser Registry: 423

Review Cycle: Two Year

Applicable Federal Citations	Compliance (YES/NO) Areas of Concern (AC)			ASC Staff Observations	State Response	Required/Recommended State Actions	General Comments
	YES	NO	AC				
<b>Statutes, Regulations, Policies and Procedures:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>Temporary Practice:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>National Registry:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>Application Process:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>Reciprocity:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>Education:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None
<b>Enforcement:</b>	X			No compliance issues noted.	N/A	None	None