

MANAGEMENT REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS

Ex-Im Bank's management is responsible for the content and integrity of the financial data included in the Bank's annual report and for ascertaining that this data fairly presents the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Bank.

The Bank's operations fall under the provisions of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990. This law provides that subsidy calculations must be performed (on a present-value basis) for all new loan, guarantee and insurance commitments, and the resulting cost, if any, must be covered by funds appropriated by Congress. Credits may not be approved if the cost has not been appropriated in advance.

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As explained in more detail in the notes, the financial statements recognize the impact of credit reform legislation on the Bank's commitments. Other financial information related to the Bank included elsewhere in this report is presented on a basis consistent with the financial statements.

The Bank maintains a system of internal accounting controls that is designed to provide reasonable assurance at reasonable cost that assets are safeguarded and that transactions are processed and properly recorded in accordance with management's authorization, and that the financial statements are accurately prepared. The Bank believes that its system of internal accounting controls appropriately balances the cost/benefit relationship.

Ex-Im Bank's board of directors pursues its responsibility for the Bank's financial statements through its audit committee. The audit committee meets regularly with management and the independent accountants. The independent accountants have direct access to the audit committee to discuss the scope and results of their audit work and their comments on the adequacy of internal accounting controls and the quality of financial reporting.

The Bank believes that its policies and procedures, including its system of internal accounting controls, provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with provisions of applicable laws and regulations.

The Bank's financial statements were audited by independent accountants. Their opinion is printed in this annual report immediately following the notes to the financial statements.



Philip Merrill
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