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Auditor's Performance Receives Third Consecutive Peer Approval

City Auditor Laura Doud is on a roll.

For the third straight time, her office achieved top marks from a peer review measuring against national standards of performance for government reporting. The standards are released by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the review is done by the Association of Local Government Auditors.

"I made a commitment to the public that the office would follow the standards and undergo regular peer reviews," Doud said in a release. "Just as we conduct audits to promote accountability and transparency within the city, the independent panel of auditors review our work and hold us accountable to following the rigorous standards."

Doud said that when she was elected to office in 2006, no peer

reviews were being done. The reviews are done once every three years. The most recent review covered the period from Jan. 1, 2012, through Dec. 31, 2014. Auditors conducting the review were from Oregon, Florida and Virginia.

The letter from the auditors says, "Based on the results of our review, it is our opinion that the city of Long Beach Office of the City Auditor's internal quality control system was suitably designed and operating effectively to provide reasonable assurance of compliance with Government Auditing Standards."

The report also commends Doud's office for its communication with the public through the website, www.cityauditorLaura-Doud.com, and the MyAuditor app. A copy of the letter is available at the website.