Office of Comptroller-Elect
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November 9, 2026

Acting Comptroller Don Huffines
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
Lyndon B. Johnson State Office Building
111 East 17th Street
Austin, TX 78711

RE: Orderly transition of power

Dear Comptroller Huffines,

Thank you for reaching out on Election Night. As we discussed the morning after the election, I am following up with you on expectations for transitioning the agency in alignment with the will of the voters of Texas. I look forward to collaboration between my transition team, your executive team, and the many dedicated public servants in the agency.

My goal is to establish stability and continuity within the agency during this transition. In pursuit of that goal, I will be visiting the agency on November 18 from 10am-12pm along with my Chief of Staff and former Chief Deputy Craven. I would appreciate a meeting with you and your chief deputy during that time. After which, I will tour the offices of the agency with my Chief of Staff and Ms. Craven.

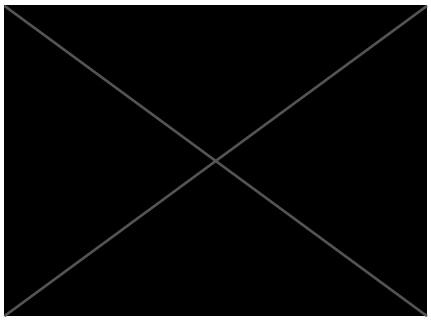
During our meeting, I will discuss obtaining your agreement to full cooperation between your executive team and my transition team, including:

- A list of key contacts for access to all agency information pursuant to the constitutional and statutory functions of the office, including but not limited to accessing key personnel with institutional knowledge and documentation (whether physical or electronic) of rules, procedures, practices, and any other administrative, strategic or planning documents for such functions as:
    - Revenue estimates, costing, and fiscal notes
    - Fiscal operations
    - Treasury, cash and unclaimed property
    - Tax policy and contested cases
    - Tax operations (collections, audit and enforcement)
    - Procurement and HUB
    - Agency budget, LAR exceptional items and administration

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    - Information Technology, CAPPS and information security
    - Agency-run programs such as Broadband, Opioid Abatement, SECO, Public Safety Grants, Natural Resources, Economic Development
    - Educational programs and investigations
    - Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Co.
- Cease any additional reorganization or dissolution of divisions within the agency;
- Cease any additional terminations, with the exception of dismissal due to harassment, theft or similar offenses that put state employees or state resources at risk of imminent harm;
- Your agreement to include me and my transition team in the development of the 2027 Biennial Revenue Estimate;
- Cease all capital improvements over $5,000, with the exception of repairs necessary for health and safety, and cease all changes to the physical location of divisions or parts of divisions;
- Cease all transfer of funds from the TTSTC to general operations of the agency; and
- Cease pursuit of rule changes initiated since August 1, 2026.

Please feel free to contact me or my Chief of Staff Peter Einhorn:



I look forward to working productively with you and your team on an orderly transition for the benefit of Texas and Texans.

Sincerely,



Sarah Eckhardt
Comptroller-elect