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Report to MTC Executive Committee

From

Strategic Planning Steering Committee

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Background

The Multistate Tax Commission began its strategic planning process in May 2011. During 2011-2012, the Commission developed its statements of Mission, Values, Vision and Goals.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Multistate Tax Commission is an intergovernmental state tax agency. Its mission is to:

- Achieve fairness by promoting compliance and consistent tax policy and practice; and to
- Preserve the sovereignty of state and local governments over their tax systems

VISION

By 2019, MTC will be recognized as:

- The “gold standard” for tax policy development
- The primary authority for the public and public officials on issues of state and local tax uniformity and fairness
- The leading resource for ensuring equitable tax compliance

Summary of the year’s activities

During 2013-2014, the Steering Committee chartered a project recommended by the Uniformity Committee. That project identified barriers to adoption of uniformity recommendations. The project team recommended that a project be chartered to provide more information to the Uniformity Committee when it is considering a drafting proposal. [Insert a sentence describing action taken by the Uniformity and Steering Committees 7-28 and 7-29.] Late in 2013, the Steering Committee developed a committee charter, which was approved by the Executive Committee in December, and an annual planning calendar. Both of these actions were taken to help integrate the planning process and discipline into the Commission’s regular business operations.

Earlier this year, the Nexus Committee began its own strategic planning process. During the Spring Committee meeting the Nexus Committee conducted an environmental scan and discussed a vision and goals for the National Nexus Program. A project team was formed to draft a statement of Mission, Vision and Goals. The project team also developed two project proposals for consideration by the Nexus Committee. [Insert a sentence describing action by the Nexus and Steering Committees on 7-29 with respect to the project proposals.]

The Steering Committee also chartered a project team to develop a high level plan for audits that would satisfy the requirements of the Marketplace Fairness Act for a “single audit” of remote sellers by the states. In light of the uncertainty concerning the language of a bill that would ultimately be enacted by the Congress, the Steering Committee has put this project on hold until further notice.

[Insert summary of other action taken by Steering Committee on 7-29.]

The Steering Committee members for 2014-2015 will be: Nancy Prosser, TX, Chair; Julie McGee, AL; Demesia Padilla, NM; Joe Huddleston, MTC Executive Director [include other additions confirmed on 7-29.]

The Steering Committee continues to be committed to integrating strategic planning tools and practices into the operations of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Prosser, Chair