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## **AUDITOR ADDRESSES INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION**

In a recent address to a delegation of government auditors from the Peoples Republic of China, DuPage County Auditor Jim Rasins shared his views on the importance of a strong local government audit function. The presentation was given to a 14-member delegation from the Guangzhou Municipal Auditing Bureau that stopped in the Chicago-area during a 15-day visit to the United States.

Rasins spoke to the group through an interpreter about the role and responsibilities of the DuPage County Auditor in providing accountability to citizens.

“The group was interested in the types of audits my office performs, the audit procedures followed, and the financial reports I issue,” Rasins said.

The Auditor discussed a wide variety of audit-related topics, including the audit independence provided through the election of the County Auditor, audit results, qualifications of staff members, and the development of audit procedures.

The visit was co-ordinated by the non-profit 21<sup>st</sup> Century Institute, headquartered in Oak Brook. The Institute hosts visits by Chinese governmental and professional organizations to provide networking and information sharing opportunities.

During its visit to the Chicago area, the audit delegation also met with representatives from the City of Chicago Department of Revenue, and Motorola.

Institute Executive Director Sharon Tan explained that the visiting auditors hoped to gain insight into how their western counterparts perform their tasks, and perhaps bring some of those ideas into their own operations.

“The Institute tries to schedule presentations from individuals that represent not only a wide variety of audit organizations, but also those that have earned a high degree of respect for their operations,” Tan said.

“This provides our delegation members with the best information to take home and share with their co-workers,” she continued.

The Guangzhou Audit delegation represents the second international group that Rasins has addressed. Last year, he spoke to 20 representatives from the Chinese National Audit Organization.

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