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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

TIPTON COUNTY

TIPTON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006



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OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Auditor	Suzanne C. Alexander	07-01-05 to 12-31-10
Treasurer	Linda Warner	01-01-03 to 12-31-10
Clerk	Bonita Guffey	01-01-03 to 12-31-10
Sheriff	Craig Henderson Frank Fitch	01-01-03 to 12-31-06 01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Recorder	Sheila Hook	01-01-05 to 12-31-08
President of the Board of County Commissioners	Tom E. Dolezal Monty Henderson	01-01-06 to 12-31-06 01-01-07 to 12-31-07
President of the County Council	J. Richard Henderson Brad Nichols	01-01-06 to 12-31-06 01-01-07 to 12-31-07



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF TIPTON COUNTY, TIPTON COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Tipton County (County), for the period of January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006. The County's management is responsible for the financial information presented herein. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial information presented herein and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial information referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial information of the County for the year ended December 31, 2006, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Schedule of Long-Term Debt, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented for additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial information. The schedule has not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the basic financial information, and accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

September 24, 2007

TIPTON COUNTY  
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL, PROPRIETARY, AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES  
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Cash and Investments		Cash and Investments	
	01-01-06	Receipts	Disbursements	12-31-06
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 1,202,388	\$ 4,162,013	\$ 3,731,299	\$ 1,633,102
Highway	579,350	1,965,756	1,593,559	951,547
Local Road and Street	78,729	180,554	188,808	70,475
Property Reassessment No. 2	559,759	101,155	102,326	558,588
Welfare Administration	25,867	20,329	-	46,196
Health	238,164	237,441	240,266	235,339
Family and Children	881,242	150,580	357,918	673,904
Juvenile Incentive Block Grant	15,253	-	15,253	-
Surveyor's Corner Perpetuation	26,229	4,402	3,200	27,431
Accident Report	877	1,092	1,684	285
Firearms Training	329	4,215	2,918	1,626
K-9	979	-	-	979
Drug Free Community	33,986	10,060	12,000	32,046
Recorder's Records Perpetuation	27,090	17,656	5,171	39,575
User Fee	9,791	3,194	-	12,985
Law Enforcement Continuing Education	285	2,760	2,566	479
Emergency Telephone System (E-911)	107,087	202,703	206,190	103,600
Enhanced Access	44,064	70,356	58,694	55,726
Joint Dispatch Service Center	3,829	524,039	468,861	59,007
Emergency Planning/Right to Know	6,102	10	-	6,112
Electronic Map Generation	470	147	-	617
Supplemental Public Defender SVC	500	910	-	1,410
Clerk Title VI-D	10,324	2,715	-	13,039
County Sales Disclosure	6,986	1,960	-	8,946
Coroners Education	6	1,063	1,052	17
Clerk's Records Perpetuation	9,355	5,003	-	14,358
Homeland Security Grant 2004	-	43,470	43,470	-
Emergency Preparedness	10,649	2,258	1,976	10,931
Rainy Day	513,484	46,320	274,108	285,696
Jury Pay	24,198	6,021	9,342	20,877
Prosecutor Special	1,057	-	-	1,057
Project Income	37,469	43,463	21,815	59,117
Community Corrections Grant	27,800	112,193	74,347	65,646
Emergency Gas Award	300	-	300	-
Training Foundation Grant	377	18	395	-
Adult Offender Interstate	-	75	37	38
Juvenile Probation Service	9,671	880	2,000	8,551
Adult Probation Services	91,581	48,121	58,318	81,384
Probation User Fees	22,210	10,700	-	32,910
Prosecutor's S.A.D.D.	705	1,050	-	1,755
Pretrial Diversion	46,688	15,006	29,503	32,191
Extradition	1,463	-	-	1,463
Child Protection Team	238	-	-	238
Misdemeanant Fund	65,301	5,625	-	70,926
Well Child	290	-	-	290
Ruth Jordan	1,760	50	-	1,810
Combat Range	39	-	-	39
Big Cicero Creek Drain	627,724	195,937	226,920	596,741
Indigent Substance Abuse	1,425	-	-	1,425
Drug Enforcement/Education	174	-	-	174
Sheriff Flower	(10)	50	28	12
Levy Excess	6,909	-	-	6,909
Operation Pullover 2005-2006	6	4,440	4,439	7
State Drunk Driving	350	-	-	350
Guardian and Litem/Court	20,737	1,419	71	22,085
Community Improvement	2,750	-	-	2,750
Health Maintenance	4,998	26,569	31,567	-
Prosecutor Title IV-D	8,472	2,715	230	10,957
Drainage Maintenance	1,242,475	243,590	247,069	1,238,996
Debt Service Fund	1,266	-	-	1,266
Bond and Interest Redemption	2,407	-	-	2,407
Cumulative Capital Development	395,212	179,672	45,849	529,035

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

TIPTON COUNTY  
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL, PROPRIETARY, AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES  
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2006  
(Continued)

	Cash and Investments 01-01-06	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-06
Governmental Funds (continued):				
Cumulative Bridge	1,294,022	536,069	392,851	1,437,240
General Drain Improvement	412,637	145,932	217,267	341,302
Economic Development	385,292	791,726	719,544	457,474
Proprietary Fund:				
Self-Insurance	20,646	-	20,646	-
Fiduciary Funds:				
Congressional School Principal	27,826	86	86	27,826
Sheriff's Pension Trust	-	1,287	-	1,287
Welfare Trust	15,737	4,660	1,450	18,947
Mortgage Fees - State Share	-	5,501	5,049	452
Congressional School Interest	5,838	921	-	6,759
Surplus Tax	16,598	8,788	12,991	12,395
Surplus Dog Tax	275	745	1,020	-
Tax Sale Redemption	4	60,759	52,511	8,252
Surplus Tax Sale	108,722	172,795	84,254	197,263
Tax Sale Fees	6,083	4,420	3,297	7,206
Prop Replacement Homestead Credit	-	802,083	800,178	1,905
Homestead Credit (Local Option)	4,275	249,513	250,416	3,372
Payroll	21,875	806,947	821,799	7,023
Plat Book	18,719	3,800	-	22,519
State Sales Disclosure Fee	65	1,960	1,790	235
Tax Distribution	2,687	20,188,659	20,191,346	-
State Welfare Excise Tax	-	14,753	14,753	-
Child Restraint Violations	-	332	332	-
Commercial CVET	-	156,416	156,416	-
Ditch Surplus	279	-	74	205
Inheritance Tax	85,422	984,268	1,009,435	60,255
State Fines and Forfeitures	2,199	7,998	9,107	1,090
Riverboat Revenue Sharing	-	104,316	104,316	-
City and Town Court Costs	13,055	1,880	-	14,935
Infraction Judgments	6,416	93,825	93,065	7,176
Financial Institution Tax	-	124,439	124,439	-
CAGIT (Certified Shares)	-	2,342,431	2,342,431	-
Education Plate Fees Agency	19	919	938	-
Medical Equipment	196	-	-	196
Delinquent Personal Property	84	833	917	-
Wheel Tax	-	392,106	320,762	71,344
Sur Tax	-	40,295	24,321	15,974
After Settlement Collections	161,771	320,745	161,771	320,745
Clerk	219,666	2,026,546	1,699,567	546,645
Landfill Post Closure	26,141	1,275	476	26,940
Probation Department	3,389	45,283	46,045	2,627
Prosecutor	8,964	38,807	34,057	13,714
Recorder	6,412	73,930	73,013	7,329
Sheriff	12	235,839	235,851	-
Sheriff - Commissary	737	32,127	32,158	706
Sheriff - Inmate Trust	1,372	58,141	58,552	961
Sheriff - Pension Trust	810,812	135,416	89,113	857,115
Totals	<u>\$ 10,727,463</u>	<u>\$ 39,679,326</u>	<u>\$ 38,271,953</u>	<u>\$ 12,134,836</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

TIPTON COUNTY  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Note 1. Introduction

The County was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The County provides the following services: public safety, health and social services, culture and recreation, and general administrative services.

Note 2. Fund Accounting

The County uses funds to report on its cash and investments and the results of its operations on a cash basis. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

Note 3. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. In addition, funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received are subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 4. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are distributed to the County in June and December. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100% of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively. All property taxes collected by the County Treasurer and available for distribution were distributed to the County on or prior to December 31 of the year collected.

Note 5. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with Indiana Code 5-13, with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end were entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the County to invest in securities including, but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

TIPTON COUNTY  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
(Continued)

Note 6. Pension Plan

Public Employees' Retirement Fund

Plan Description

The County contributes to the Indiana Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF), a defined benefit pension plan. PERF is an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system, which provides retirement benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. All full-time employees are eligible to participate in this defined benefit plan. State statutes (IC 5-10.2 and 5-10.3) govern, through the PERF Board, most requirements of the system, and give the County authority to contribute to the plan. The PERF retirement benefit consists of the pension provided by employer contributions plus an annuity provided by the member's annuity savings account. The annuity savings account consists of members' contributions, set by state statute at 3% of compensation, plus the interest credited to the member's account. The employer may elect to make the contributions on behalf of the member.

PERF administers the plan and issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan as a whole and for its participants. That report may be obtained by contacting:

Public Employees' Retirement Fund  
Harrison Building, Room 800  
143 West Market Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
Ph. (317) 233-4162

Funding Policy and Annual Pension Cost

The contribution requirements of the plan members for PERF are established by the Board of Trustees of PERF.

Note 7. Subsequent Event

Tipton County entered into a contract for engineering cost for the construction of a new road for access to the Getrage Plant to be located at the intersection of State Road 28 and US 31. The estimated costs for the project are \$900,000.

TIPTON COUNTY  
 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT  
 For The Year Ended December 31, 2006

CAPITAL LEASES

The County has entered into the following capital leases:

Description of Asset	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:		
Capital leases:		
Prisoner Transport Van	\$ 3,141	\$ 3,141
Crown Victoria	7,286	7,286
2 Crown Victorias and Chevy Tahoe	23,975	23,975
2006 Chevy Impala	9,248	9,248
2006 Chipsreader	<u>68,884</u>	<u>68,884</u>
 Total governmental activities long-term debt	 <u>\$ 112,534</u>	 <u>\$ 112,534</u>

TIPTON COUNTY  
OTHER REPORTS

The annual report presented herein was prepared in addition to other official reports prepared for the individual County offices listed below:

Sheriff's Inmate Trust  
Auditor  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Probation

TIPTON COUNTY  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on October 4, 2007, with Monty Henderson, President of the Board of County Commissioners; and Suzanne C. Alexander, Auditor. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time. For the examination results and comments for departments referred to in Other Reports, see the supplemental report for each department.

The contents of this report were discussed on October 8, 2007, with Brad Nichols, President of the County Council. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.