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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

MADISON TOWNSHIP

TIPTON COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007

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OFFICIALS

Office	Official	Term
Trustee	Timothy Clouser	01-01-03 to 12-31-10
Chairman of the Township Board	Kurt Fettig	01-01-06 to 12-31-06
	Greg Merida	01-01-07 to 12-31-07
	Grant Dunn	01-01-08 to 12-31-08

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

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

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Madison Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2007. The Township'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 Township for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

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November 13, 2008

MADISON TOWNSHIP, TIPTON COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Years Ended December 31, 2006 And 2007

	Cash and Investments 01-01-06	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-06
Governmental Funds:				
Township	$ 77,046	$ 51,722	$ 44,303	$ 84,465
Dog	340	42	382	-
Township Assistance	9,226	-	3,934	5,292
Firefighting	159,160	85,949	52,786	192,323
Levy Excess	-	1,020	-	1,020
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	484	1,108	1,162	430
Totals	$ 246,256	$ 139,841	$ 102,567	$ 283,530

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Governmental Funds:				
Township	$ 84,465	$ 70,455	$ 39,922	$ 114,998
Township Assistance	5,292	-	3,436	1,856
Firefighting	192,323	87,765	44,088	236,000
Levy Excess	1,020	678	1,020	678
Fiduciary Fund:				
Payroll Withholdings	430	1,181	1,163	448
Totals	$ 283,530	$ 160,079	$ 89,629	$ 353,980

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

MADISON TOWNSHIP, TIPTON COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Note 1. Introduction

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

Note 2. Fund Accounting

The Township 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 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 Township 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 Township 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 Township 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.

MADISON TOWNSHIP, TIPTON COUNTY
EXAMINATION RESULT AND COMMENT

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Lou Ann Clouser, Township Clerk, is the spouse of Timothy Clouser, Township Trustee. A Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement does not appear to have been filed.

Greg Merida, Township Board Member, also receives payments on a contractual basis for mowing grass in some cemeteries. A Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement does not appear to have been filed.

IC 35-44-1-3 states in part:

"(a) A public servant who knowingly or intentionally: (1) has a pecuniary interest in; or (2) derives a profit from; a contract or purchase connected with an action by the governmental entity served by the public servant commits conflict of interest, a Class D felony."

"(c) This section does not prohibit a public servant from having a pecuniary interest in or deriving a profit from a contract or purchase connected with the governmental entity served . . . (3) if the public servant; (A) is an elected public servant . . . and (B) makes a disclosure under subsection (d)(1) through (d)(6). . . ."

"(d) A disclosure required by this section must: (1) be in writing; (2) describe the contract or purchase to be made by the governmental entity; (3) describe the pecuniary interest that the public servant has in the contract or purchase; (4) be affirmed under penalty of perjury; (5) be submitted to the governmental entity and be accepted by the governmental entity in a public meeting of the governmental entity prior to final action on the contract or purchase; (6) be filed within fifteen (15) days after final action on the contract or purchase with: (A) the state board of accounts; and (B) . . . the clerk of the circuit court in the county where the governmental entity takes final action on the contract or purchase . . ."

"(g) A public servant has a pecuniary interest in a contract or purchase if the contract or purchase will result or is intended to result in an ascertainable increase in the income or net worth of: (1) the public servant; or (2) a dependent of the public servant who: (A) is under the direct or indirect administrative control of the public servant; or (B) receives a contract or purchase order that is reviewed, approved, or directly or indirectly administered by the public servant."

"(k) As used in this section, 'dependent' means any of the following: (1) The spouse of a public servant. (2) A child, stepchild, or adoptee (as defined in IC 31-3-4-1) of a public servant who is: (A) unemancipated; and (B) less than eighteen (18) years of age. (3) Any individual more than one-half (1/2) of whose support is provided during a year by the public servant."

MADISON TOWNSHIP, TIPTON COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on December 3, 2008, with Timothy Clouser, Trustee. The official concurred with our finding.