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AUDIT REPORT

OF

COUNTY AUDITOR

GREENE COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF GREENE COUNTY

We have audited the records of the County Auditor for the period from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008, and certify that the records and accountability for cash and other assets are satisfactory to the best of our knowledge and belief, except as stated in the Audit Results and Comments. The financial transactions of this office are reflected in the Annual Report of Greene County for the year 2008.

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October 19, 2009

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AUDIT RESULTS AND COMMENTS

OVERDRAWN CASH BALANCES

The cash balance of the E-911 Fund, Project Income 4501 Fund, Transition Fund 05/06, Victim Assistance Grant Fund, and Greene County Health Insurance Fund was overdrawn at December 31, 2008.

The cash balance of any fund may not be reduced below zero. Routinely overdrawn funds could be an indicator of serious financial problems which should be investigated by the governmental unit. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for County Auditors of Indiana, Chapter 14)

FUND FOR E911 FEES

Fees (commonly known as E911 fees) are received for the enhanced emergency telephone system and the enhanced wireless emergency telephone service. The County is to maintain these fees in a separate fund. We found that revenue from false alarm fees were combined into the same fund that accounts for the E911 fees. Not maintaining a separate fund for these fees results in an internal control weakness over the ability to ensure that the fees are expended as required by statute. Controls over the receipting, disbursing, recording, and accounting for the financial activities are necessary to avoid substantial risk of invalid transactions, inaccurate records and financial statements and incorrect decision making. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for County Auditors of Indiana, Chapter 14)

IC 36-8-16-13 states:

"Deposit of fees into emergency telephone system fund Sec. 13. A county treasurer or municipal fiscal officer to whom enhanced emergency telephone system fees are remitted under section 12 of this chapter shall deposit the fees in a separate fund. The fund shall be known as the _____ (insert name of county or municipality) emergency telephone system fund. The county treasurer or municipal fiscal officer may invest money in the fund in the same manner that other money of the county or municipality may be invested. The county treasurer or municipal fiscal officer shall deposit any income earned from such an investment in the fund. As added by P.L.91-1988, SEC.5."

IC 36-8-16.5-43 states:

"County wireless emergency telephone system funds; establishment; deposits by county treasurer Sec. 43. The distribution of wireless emergency enhanced 911 funds by the board for cost recovery by PSAPs under section 39 of this chapter must be deposited by the county treasurer in a separate fund set aside for the purposes allowed by section 41 of this chapter. The fund must be known as the _____ (insert name of county) wireless emergency telephone system fund. The county treasurer may invest money in the fund in the same manner that other money of the county may be invested, but income earned from the investment must be deposited in the fund set aside under this section. As added by P.L. 98-1998, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.16-2002, SEC. 19."

We recommended that the E911 fees be maintained in a separate fund.

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EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on October 19, 2009, with David L. Bailey, Auditor; John A. Wilkes, President of the County Council; and Bart A. Beard, President of the Board of County Commissioners.