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AUDIT REPORT

OF

TOWN OF BROOKSTON

WHITE COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010





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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

Office	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Clerk-Treasurer	Ginger E. Brown	01-01-08 to 12-31-11
President of the Town Council	Joseph E. Butz	01-01-09 to 12-31-11
Superintendent of Utilities	Max Eldridge	01-01-09 to 12-31-11



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKSTON, WHITE COUNTY, INDIANA

We have audited the accompanying financial statement(s) of the Town of Brookston (Town), for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010. These financial statement(s) are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statement(s) based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement(s) are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement(s). An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion(s).

As discussed in Note 1, the Town prepares its financial statement(s) on the prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the reporting requirements established by the State Board of Accounts as allowed by state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The basis of accounting noted above is a different basis than that used in the prior year.

In our opinion, the financial statement(s) referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the Town for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued a report dated April 14, 2011, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the Town's financial statement(s). The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133,

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (Continued)

<u>Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations</u>, and is not a required part of the financial statement(s). Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement(s) and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statement(s) taken as a whole.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement(s) that collectively comprise the Town's financial statement(s). The Combining Schedule(s) of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash and Investment Balances – Regulatory Basis, Schedule of Capital Assets, and Schedule of Long-Term Debt are presented for additional analysis and are not required parts of the financial statement(s). The Combining Schedule(s) of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash and Investment Balances – Regulatory Basis, Schedule of Capital Assets, and Schedule of Long-Term Debt have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied by us in the audit of the financial statement(s) and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Town's management, the Town Board and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. In accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-5-1, this report is a part of the public records of the State Board of Accounts and of the office examined.

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April 14, 2011



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKSTON, WHITE COUNTY, INDIANA

We have audited the financial statement(s) of the Town of Brookston (Town), for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010, and have issued our report thereon dated April 14, 2011. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion(s) on the financial statement(s), but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statement(s) will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2010-1 to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town's financial statement(s) are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement(s) amounts. However, providing an opinion on

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (Continued)

with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

The Town's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying section of the report entitled Corrective Action Plan. We did not audit the Town's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Town's management, Town Board and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. In accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-5-1, this report is a part of the public records of the State Board of Accounts and of the office examined.

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April 14, 2011

FINANCIAL STATEMENT(S)

TOWN OF BROOKSTON STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES REGULATORY BASIS

For The Year Ended December 31, 2009

	In	Cash and evestments 01-01-09		Receipts	Dis	bursements		Cash and nvestments 12-31-09
General	\$	83,859	\$	250,640	\$	253,180	\$	81,319
Motor Vehicle Highway	Ψ.	22.382	Ψ.	108,490	Ψ.	112.366	*	18,506
Local Road And Street		11,723		6,074		6,000		11,797
Bicentenniel Donation Fund		534		5		-		539
Law Enforcement Continuing Ed		9.348		2.028		9.551		1.825
Riverboat		24,914		10,745		10,000		25,659
Fire Station Grant Fund		-		2,000		,		2,000
Park Donation		2,425		40		805		1,660
Heart To Heart Beautification		-		500		500		-
Special Deposit Fund		1,343		-		_		1,343
Community Van Gift Fund		9,069		1,006		-		10,075
Centurytel		554		-		554		-
Rainy Day		16,212		5,395		9,000		12,607
Development Guide		1,200		-		-		1,200
Cumulative Capl Imprv Cigarette Tax		10,653		5,264		6,000		9,917
Donation (Capital Project)		198,203		2,133		-		200,336
Cedit Capital Projects		40,825		20,000		16,000		44,825
Payroll Withholding-Federal		-		23,128		23,128		-
Indiana Gross		1,279		11,749		11,673		1,355
Social Security		-		32,975		32,975		-
Insurance-Other		1,442		23,111		21,707		2,846
Payroll Withholding-Medicare		-		7,712		7,712		-
Electric Utility-Operating		279,202		1,173,757		1,043,111		409,848
Electric Utility-Deprec/Improve		52,446		4,740		-		57,186
Electric Utility-Customer Deposit		35,578		5,350		4,110		36,818
Electric Utility-Debt Reserve		66,301		2,000		24,000		44,301
Wastewater Utility-Operating		69,241		305,890		309,743		65,388
Wastewater Util-Bond And Interest		1,473		145,219		145,166		1,526
Wastewater Utility-Deprec/Improve		21,851		1,441		3,558		19,734
Wastewater Utility-Debt Reserve		159,025		23,274				182,299
Water Utility-Operating		140,724		319,620		299,630		160,714
Water Utility-Bond And Interest		137,714		78,984		78,700		137,998
Water Utility-Depreciation/Improve		102,248						102,248
Water Utility-Customer Deposit		20,255		5,794		2,650		23,399
Water Utility-Construction		2,657		10		2,667		-
Water Utility-Other #1		37,083		61,331		61,209		37,205
Water Utility-Other #2	_	107,866	_	15,743				123,609
Totals	\$	1,669,629	\$	2,656,148	\$	2,495,695	\$	1,830,082

The notes to the financial statement(s) are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF BROOKSTON STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES REGULATORY BASIS

For The Year Ended December 31, 2010

	In	Cash and vestments 01-01-10	_	Receipts	Dis	bursements	In	Cash and vestments 12-31-10
General Fund	\$	81,319	\$	400,771	\$	249,131	\$	232,959
Mvh		18,506		152,041		126,160		44,387
LR&S		11,797		6,211		-		18,008
Park Donation		1,660		105		_		1,765
Storm Sewer Grant		-		678,245		627,764		50,481
Local Law Enf Cont Ed		1,825		827		1,199		1,453
River Boat		25,659		10,745		10,000		26,404
Bicenteniel Donation Fund		539		9		-		548
Juanita Waugh Park		-		6,407		374		6,033
Downtown Revital. Grant		-		50,000		50,000		-
Community Van Gift Fund		10,075		663		-		10,738
Rainy Day Fund		12,607		9,800		10,000		12,407
Development Guide Fund		1,200		-		-		1,200
Cedit		44,825		21,442		34,000		32,267
Levy Excess Fund		-		5,564		-		5,564
Fire Station Grant Fund		2,000		-		-		2,000
Wood & South St Fund		200,336		3,160		-		203,496
Special Deposit Fund		1,343		-		-		1,343
Cci		9,917		5,028		6,000		8,945
Federal Withholding		-		20,808		20,808		-
Indiana Gross		1,355		11,935		11,962		1,328
Social Security		-		32,055		32,055		-
Insurance		2,846		22,240		22,115		2,971
Medicare		-		7,497		7,497		-
Garnish		-		2,924		2,924		-
Electric Operating		409,848		1,188,679		998,442		600,085
Light Depreciation		57,186		4,740		12,435		49,491
Electric Meter Deposit		36,818		12,112		6,002		42,928
Electric Cash Reserve		44,301		26,000				70,301
Wastewater Operating		65,388		306,380		296,922		74,846
Wastewater Sinking		1,526		146,494		146,455		1,565
Wastewater Depreciation		19,734		1,440		17,897		3,277
Wastewater Debt Serv.Res.		182,299		-		-		182,299
Water Operating		160,714		318,850		299,268		180,296
Water Sinking		137,998		80,662		80,490		138,170
Waterworks Improvement		102,248		-		11,139		91,109
Water Meter Deposit		23,399		16,500		6,330		33,569
Bny-Water Sinking Fund		37,205		61,179		61,165		37,219
Bny-Debt Service Reserve	-	123,609		12,542				136,151
Totals	\$	1,830,082	\$	3,624,055	\$	3,148,534	\$	2,305,603

The notes to the financial statement(s) are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF BROOKSTON NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT(S)

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Town was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Town operates under a Council-Mayor Town Council form of government and provides some or all of the following services: public safety (police and fire), highways and streets, health and social services, culture and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, general administrative services, water, wastewater, electric, gas, storm water, trash, aviation, and urban redevelopment and housing.

The accompanying financial statement(s) present(s) the financial information for the Town (primary government), and does not include financial information for any of the Town's legally separate component units, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be reported with the financial information of the Town (primary government).

B. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are reported on a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed by the State Board of Accounts in accordance with state statute (IC 5-11-1-6), which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Receipts are recorded when received and disbursements are recorded when paid.

The regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in that receipts are recognized when received in cash, rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid, rather than when a liability is incurred.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are stated at cost. Any changes in fair value of the investments are reported as receipts in the year of the sale of the investment.

D. Receipts

Receipts are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate receipts may include, but are not limited to, the following sources:

Taxes which can include one or more of the following: property taxes, certified shares (local option tax), property tax replacement credit (local option tax), county option income tax, wheel tax, innkeepers tax, food and beverage tax, county economic development income tax, boat and trailer excise tax, county adjusted gross income tax, and other taxes that are set by the Town.

Licenses and permits which include amounts received from businesses, occupations, or nonbusinesses that must be licensed before doing business within the government's jurisdiction or permits levied according to the benefits presumably conferred by the permit. Examples of licenses and permits include: peddler licenses, dog tax licenses, auctioneer license, building and planning permits, demolition permits, electrical permits, sign permits, and gun permits.

Intergovernmental receipts which include receipts from other governments in the form of operating grants, entitlements, or payments in lieu of taxes. Examples of this type of receipts include, but are not limited to: federal grants, state grants, cigarette tax distributions received from the state, motor vehicle highway distribution received from the state, local road and street distribution received from the state, financial institution tax received from the state, auto excise surtax received from the state, commercial vehicle excise tax received from the state, major moves distributions received from the state, and riverboat receipts received from the county.

Charges for services which can include, but are not limited to the following: planning commission charges, building department charges, copies of public records, copy machine charges, accident report copies, gun permit applications, 911 telephone services, recycling fees, dog pound fees, emergency medical service fees, park rental fees, swimming pool receipts, cable tv receipts, ordinance violations, fines and fees, bond forfeitures, court costs, and court receipts.

Fines and forfeits which include receipts derived from fines and penalties imposed for the commission of statutory offenses, violation of lawful administrative rules and regulations (fines), and for the neglect of official duty and monies derived from confiscating deposits held as performance guarantees (forfeitures).

Utility fees which are comprised mostly of charges for current services.

Other receipts which include amounts received from various sources which can include, but are not limited to the following: net proceeds from borrowings; interfund loan activity; transfers authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution or court order; internal service receipts; and fiduciary receipts.

E. Disbursements

Disbursements are presented in the aggregate on the face of the financial statements. The aggregate disbursements may include, but are not limited to, the following uses:

Personal services include outflows for salaries, wages, and related employee benefits provided for all persons employed. In those units where sick leave, vacation leave, overtime compensation, and other such benefits are appropriated separately, such payments would also be included.

Supplies which include articles and commodities that are entirely consumed and materially altered when used and/or show rapid depreciation after use for a short period of time. Examples of supplies include office supplies, operating supplies, and repair and maintenance supplies.

Other services and charges which include, but are not limited to: professional services, communication and transportation, printing and advertising, insurance, utility services, repairs and maintenance, and rental charges.

Debt service principal and interest which include fixed obligations resulting from financial transactions previously entered into by the Town. It includes all expenditures for the reduction of the principal and interest of the Town's general obligation indebtedness.

Capital outlay which include all outflows for land, infrastructure, buildings, improvements, and machinery and equipment having an appreciable and calculable period of usefulness.

Utility operating expenses which include all outflows for operating the utilities.

Other disbursements which include, but are not limited to the following: interfund loan payments, loans made to other funds, internal service disbursements, and transfers out that are authorized by statute, ordinance, resolution, or court order.

F. Interfund Transfers

The Town may, from time to time, transfer money from one fund to another. These transfers, if any, are included as a part of the receipts and disbursements of the affected funds and as a part of total receipts and disbursements. The transfers are used for cash flow purposes as provided by various statutory provisions.

G. Fund Accounting

Separate funds are established, maintained, and reported by the Town. Each fund is used to account for money received from and used for specific sources and uses as determined by various regulations. Restrictions on some funds are set by statute while other funds are internally restricted by the Town. The money accounted for in a specific fund may only be available for use for certain, legally restricted purposes. Additionally, some funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity as an agent of individuals, private organizations, other funds, or other governmental units and therefore the funds cannot be used for any expenditures of the unit itself.

Note 2. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. The fiscal officer of the Town submits a proposed operating budget to the governing board for the following calendar year. The budget is advertised as required by law. Prior to adopting the budget, the governing board conducts public hearings and obtains taxpayer comments. Prior to November 1, the governing board approves the budget for the next year. The budget for funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received is subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 3. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are scheduled to be distributed to the Town in June and December; however, situations can arise which would delay the distributions. 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 percent 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 normally become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively.

Note 4. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with state statute (IC 5-13), with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end should be 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 statutes authorize the Town 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.

Note 5. Risk Management

The Town may be exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; job related illnesses or injuries to employees; medical benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents; and natural disasters.

These risks can be mitigated through the purchase of insurance, establishment of a self-insurance fund, and/or participation in a risk pool. The purchase of insurance transfers the risk to an independent third party. The establishment of a self-insurance fund allows the Town to set aside money for claim settlements. The self-insurance fund would be included in the financial statements. The purpose of participation in a risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of the risks. These risks may also be mitigated by the Town by recording as a disbursement and replacement items purchased.

Note 6. Pension Plan(s)

A. Public Employees' Retirement Fund

Plan Description

The Indiana Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF) is 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 Town 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 percent 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – UNAUDITED	
For additional financial information, the Town of Brookston's Annual Report(s) can be found on the Indiana Transparency Portal website: www.in.gov/itp/annual_reports/ .	

	General	Motor Vehicle Highway	Local Road And Street	Bicentenniel Donation Fund	Law Enforcement Continuing Ed	Riverboat	Fire Station Grant Fund
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 83,859	\$ 22,382	\$ 11,723	\$ 534	\$ 9,348	\$ 24,914	\$ -
Receipts:							
Taxes	129,712	29,751	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	1,163	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	96,416	53,282	6,074	-	-	10,745	-
Charges for services	60	-	-	-	734	-	-
Fines and forfeits	9,682	-	-	-	1,294	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other receipts	13,607	25,457		5			2,000
Total receipts	250,640	108,490	6,074	5	2,028	10,745	2,000
Disbursements:							
Personal services	102,907	61,849	-	_	_	-	_
Supplies	19,896	16,672	-	_	327	-	_
Other services and charges	130,377	33,845	6,000	-	9,224	10,000	_
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Capital outlay	_	-	-	-	_	-	_
Utility operating expenses	_	-	-	-	_	-	_
Other disbursements							
Total disbursements	253,180	112,366	6,000		9,551	10,000	
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over							
disbursements	(2,540)	(3,876)	74	5	(7,523)	745	2,000
dispursements	(2,540)	(0,070)			(1,525)	143	2,000
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 81,319	\$ 18,506	\$ 11,797	\$ 539	\$ 1,825	\$ 25,659	\$ 2,000

	Park Donation	Heart To Heart Beautification	Special Deposit Fund	Community Van Gift Fund	Centurytel	Rainy Day	Development Guide
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 2,425	\$ -	\$ 1,343	\$ 9,069	\$ 554	\$ 16,212	\$ 1,200
Receipts:							
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	5,395	-
Charges for services Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Penalties	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Other receipts	40	500		1,006			
Total receipts	40	500		1,006		5,395	
Disbursements: Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies Other services and charges	805	500	-	-	- 554	9,000	-
Debt service - principal and interest	-	500	-	-	334	9,000	-
Capital outlay	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Utility operating expenses	-	-	_	-	-	-	_
Other disbursements							
Total disbursements	805	500			554	9,000	
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(765)			1,006	(554)	(3,605)	
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 1,660	\$ -	\$ 1,343	\$ 10,075	\$ -	\$ 12,607	\$ 1,200

	Cumulative Capl Imprv Cigarette Tax	Donation (Capital Project)	Cedit Capital Projects	Payroll Withholding-Federal	Indiana Gross	Social Security
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 10,653	\$ 198,203	\$ 40,825	\$ -	\$ 1,279	\$ -
Receipts: Taxes Licenses and permits Intergovernmental Charges for services Fines and forfeits Utility fees	5,264 - - -	- - - - -	20,000	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - -
Penalties Other receipts	-	2,133	-	23,128	11,749	32,975
Other receipts		2,133		23,120	11,749	32,975
Total receipts	5,264	2,133	20,000	23,128	11,749	32,975
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Debt service - principal and interest Capital outlay Utility operating expenses Other disbursements	6,000 - - - -	- - - - - -	16,000 - - - -	- - - - - 23,128	- - - - - 11,673	- - - - - 32,975
Total disbursements	6,000		16,000	23,128	11,673	32,975
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	(736)	2,133	4,000		76	
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 9,917	\$ 200,336	\$ 44,825	<u>\$</u>	\$ 1,355	\$ -

	Insurance-Other	Payroll Withholding-Medicare	Electric Utility-Operating	Electric Utility-Deprec/Improve	Electric Utility-Customer Deposit	Electric Utility-Debt Reserve
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 1,442	\$ -	\$ 279,202	\$ 52,446	\$ 35,578	\$ 66,301
Receipts:						
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	1,080,681	-	-	-
Penalties	-	-	8,256	-	-	-
Other receipts	23,111	7,712	84,820	4,740	5,350	2,000
Total receipts	23,111	7,712	1,173,757	4,740	5,350	2,000
Disbursements:						
Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other services and charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	_	-	46,639	-	-	-
Utility operating expenses	-	-	895,234	-	4,110	-
Other disbursements	21,707	7,712	101,238			24,000
Total disbursements	21,707	7,712	1,043,111		4,110	24,000
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	1,404	_	130,646	4,740	1,240	(22,000)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 2,846	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 409,848	\$ 57,186	\$ 36,818	\$ 44,301

	Wastewater Utility-Operating	Wastewater Util-Bond And Interest	Wastewater Utility-Deprec/Improve	Wastewater Utility-Debt Reserve	Water Utility-Operating	Water Utility-Bond And Interest
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 69,241	\$ 1,473	\$ 21,851	\$ 159,025	\$ 140,724	\$ 137,714
Receipts:						
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-		-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	265,494	-
Penalties	614	-	-		2,835	70.004
Other receipts	305,276	145,219	1,441	23,274	51,291	78,984
Total receipts	305,890	145,219	1,441	23,274	319,620	78,984
Disbursements:						
Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other services and charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	-	-	-	78,190
Capital outlay	20,002	-	3,558	-	6,461	-
Utility operating expenses	114,631	145,166	-	-	78,763	-
Other disbursements	175,110				214,406	510
Total disbursements	309,743	145,166	3,558		299,630	78,700
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over	(2.052)	F2	(0.117)	22.274	10.000	204
disbursements	(3,853)	53	(2,117)	23,274	19,990	284
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 65,388	\$ 1,526	\$ 19,734	\$ 182,299	\$ 160,714	\$ 137,998

	Water Utility-Depreciation/Improve	Water Utility-Customer Deposit	Water Utility-Construction	Water Utility-Other #1	Water Utility-Other #2	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 102,248	\$ 20,255	\$ 2,657	\$ 37,083	\$ 107,866	\$ 1,669,629
Receipts:						
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	159,463
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	1,163
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	197,176
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	794
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	10,976
Utility fees	-	-	-	148	-	1,346,323
Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	11,705
Other receipts		5,794	10	61,183	15,743	928,548
Total receipts		5,794	10	61,331	15,743	2,656,148
Disbursements:						
Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	164,756
Supplies	-	-	-	_	-	37,700
Other services and charges	-	-	-	-	-	221,500
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	-	61,209	-	139,399
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	76,660
Utility operating expenses	-	2,650	-	-	-	1,240,554
Other disbursements			2,667			615,126
Total disbursements	·	2,650	2,667	61,209	_	2,495,695
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements		3,144	(2,657)	122	15,743	160,453
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 102,248	\$ 23,399	\$ -	\$ 37,205	\$ 123,609	\$ 1,830,082

	General		L R &	Park	Storm Sewer	Local Law Enf Cont	River
	Fund	Mvh	S	Donation	Grant	Ed	Boat
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 81,319	\$ 18,506	\$ 11,797	\$ 1,660	\$ -	\$ 1,825	\$ 25,659
Receipts:							
Taxes	279,027	93,773	_	-	-	-	_
Licenses and permits	345	-	_	_	-	_	_
Intergovernmental	107,100	57,564	6,211	-	678,245	-	10,745
Charges for services	90	600	-	105	-	827	-
Fines and forfeits	2,155	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other receipts	12,054	104					
Total receipts	400,771	152,041	6,211	105	678,245	827	10,745
Disbursements:							
Personal services	90,210	57,739	_	_	-	_	_
Supplies	20,197	16,565	_	_	-	160	_
Other services and charges	135,010	26,639	_	_	627,764	1,039	10,000
Debt service - principal and interest	,	-	-	-	,	· -	, -
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility operating expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other disbursements	3,714	25,217					
Total disbursements	249,131	126,160			627,764	1,199	10,000
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over							
disbursements	151,640	25,881	6,211	105	50,481	(372)	745
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 232,959	\$ 44,387	\$ 18,008	\$ 1,765	\$ 50,481	\$ 1,453	\$ 26,404

	Bicenteniel Donation Fund	Juanita Waugh Park	Downtown Revital. Grant	Community Van Gift Fund	Rainy Day Fund	Development Guide Fund	Cedit
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 539	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,075	\$ 12,607	\$ 1,200	\$ 44,825
Receipts:							
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	50,000	-	9,800	-	21,442
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Penalties Other receipts	9	- 6.407	-	663	-	-	-
Other receipts	9	6,407		003			_
Total receipts	9	6,407	50,000	663	9,800		21,442
Disbursements:							
Personal services	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Supplies	_	374			_		_
Other services and charges	_	-	50,000	_	10,000	_	34,000
Debt service - principal and interest	-	_	-	_	-	_	-
Capital outlay	-	_	_	_	-	_	_
Utility operating expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other disbursements							
Total disbursements	_	374	50,000	_	10,000	_	34,000
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	9	6,033		663	(200)		(12,558)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 548	\$ 6,033	\$ -	\$ 10,738	\$ 12,407	\$ 1,200	\$ 32,267

	Levy Excess Fund	Fire Station Grant Fund	Wood & South St Fund	Special Deposit Fund	Cci	Federal Withholding	Indiana Gross
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 200,336	\$ 1,343	\$ 9,917	\$ -	\$ 1,355
Receipts: Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits Intergovernmental Charges for services	633	- - -	- - -	- - -	5,028 -	- - -	- - -
Fines and forfeits Utility fees		- -	-				
Penalties Other receipts	4,931		3,160			20,808	11,935
Total receipts	5,564		3,160		5,028	20,808	11,935
Disbursements: Personal services Supplies Other services and charges Debt service - principal and interest Capital outlay	-	-	- - - -	- - - -	- 6,000 -	- - - -	:
Utility operating expenses Other disbursements						20,808	- 11,962
Total disbursements					6,000	20,808	11,962
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	5,564		3,160		(972)		(27)
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 5,564	\$ 2,000	\$ 203,496	\$ 1,343	\$ 8,945	\$ -	\$ 1,328

	Social Security	Insurance	Medicare	Garnish	Electric Operating	Light Depreciation	Electric Meter Deposit
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ -	\$ 2,846	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 409,848	\$ 57,186	\$ 36,818
Receipts:							
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	1,089,011	-	-
Penalties	-	-	-	-	7,883	-	-
Other receipts	32,055	22,240	7,497	2,924	91,785	4,740	12,112
Total receipts	32,055	22,240	7,497	2,924	1,188,679	4,740	12,112
Disbursements:							
Personal services	-	-	_	-	-	_	_
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Other services and charges	-	-	_	-	-	_	_
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	_	-	-	_	_
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	21,771	-	_
Utility operating expenses	-	-	_	-	876,608	_	6,002
Other disbursements	32,055	22,115	7,497	2,924	100,063	12,435	_
Total disbursements	32,055	22,115	7,497	2,924	998,442	12,435	6,002
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements		125			190,237	(7,695)	6,110
Cash and investments - ending	\$ -	\$ 2,971	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600,085	\$ 49,491	\$ 42,928

	Electric Cash Reserve	Wastewater Operating	Wastewater Sinking	Wastewater Depreciation	Wastewater Debt Serv.Res.	Water Operating
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 44,301	\$ 65,388	\$ 1,526	\$ 19,734	\$ 182,299	\$ 160,714
Receipts:						
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utility fees	-	294,547	-	-	-	290,673
Penalties	-	7,677	-	-	-	2,562
Other receipts	26,000	4,156	146,494	1,440		25,615
Total receipts	26,000	306,380	146,494	1,440		318,850
Disbursements:						
Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other services and charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service - principal and interest	-	-	146,455	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	32,319	-	-	-	32,293
Utility operating expenses	-	113,282	-	-	-	88,903
Other disbursements		151,321		17,897		178,072
Total disbursements		296,922	146,455	17,897		299,268
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over						
disbursements	26,000	9,458	39	(16,457)		19,582
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 70,301	\$ 74,846	\$ 1,565	\$ 3,277	\$ 182,299	\$ 180,296

	Water Sinking	Waterworks Improvement	Water Meter Deposit	Bny-Water Sinking Fund	Bny-Debt Service Reserve	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 137,998	\$ 102,248	\$ 23,399	\$ 37,205	\$ 123,609	\$ 1,830,082
Receipts:						
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	372,800
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	-	345
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	946,768
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	1,622
Fines and forfeits	-	-	-	-	-	2,155
Utility fees	-	-	-	-	-	1,674,231
Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	18,122
Other receipts	80,662		16,500	61,179	12,542	608,012
Total receipts	80,662		16,500	61,179	12,542	3,624,055
Disbursements:						
Personal services	-	-	-	-	-	147,949
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	37,296
Other services and charges	-	-	-	-	-	900,452
Debt service - principal and interest	80,490	-	-	61,165	-	288,110
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	-	86,383
Utility operating expenses	-	-	6,330	-	-	1,091,125
Other disbursements		11,139				597,219
Total disbursements	80,490	11,139	6,330	61,165		3,148,534
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over						
disbursements	172	(11,139)	10,170	14	12,542	475,521
Cash and investments - ending	\$ 138,170	\$ 91,109	\$ 33,569	\$ 37,219	\$ 136,151	\$ 2,305,603

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS December 31, 2010

Primary Government	Ending Balance
Governmental activities: Capital assets, not being depreciated: Buildings Machinery and equipment Infastructure	\$ 941,824 351,500 845,459
Total governmental activities, capital assets not being depreciated	\$ 2,138,783
Business-type activities: Water Utility: Capital assets, not being depreciated: Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment	\$ 316,795 298,116 989,342
Total Water Utility capital assets	1,604,253
Wastewater Utility: Capital assets, not being depreciated: Land Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment	25,000 219,858 2,075,000 43,624
Total Wastewater Utility capital assets	2,363,482
Electric Utility: Capital assets, not being depreciated: Machinery and equipment	65,112
Total business-type activities capital assets	\$ 4,032,847

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT December 31, 2010

The Town has entered into the following debt:

Description of Debt	Ending Principal Balance			Principal and Interest Due Within One Year
Business-type activities:				
Water Utility:				
Revenue bonds:	æ	215 000	Φ.	E 7E1
Water Improvement bonds Water bonds (SRF Loan)	\$	215,000 1,370,000	\$	5,751 61,121
Water bonds (SKI Loan)		1,370,000	_	01,121
Total Water Utility		1,585,000	_	66,872
Wastewater Utility:				
Revenue bonds: Wastewater bonds (SRF Loan)		1,732,000		72,673
Wasicwatci bonds (OTT Edail)		1,732,000	_	12,013
Total business-type activities debt	\$	3,317,000	\$	139,545
7F	=	2,217,000	=	

TOWN OF BROOKSTON AUDIT RESULT(S) AND COMMENT(S)

LACK OF SEGREGATION OF DUTIES

We noted deficiencies in the internal control system of the Town related to financial transactions and reporting. We believe the following deficiencies constitute a material weakness:

Lack of Segregation of Duties: Control activities should be selected and developed at various levels of the town to reduce risks to achievement of financial reporting objectives. The Town has not separated incompatible actives related to town receipts, utility billings and collections, disbursements, payroll and related liabilities, and cash and investment balances. The failure to establish these controls could enable material misstatements or irregularities to undetected.

Governmental units should have internal controls in effect which provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial information and records, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, proper execution of management's objections, and compliance with laws and regulations. Among other things, segregation of duties, safeguarding controls over cash and all other assets and all forms of information processing are necessary for proper internal control.

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 Cities and Towns, Chapter 7)

SUPPLEMENTAL AUDIT OF FEDERAL AWARDS



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKSTON, WHITE COUNTY, INDIANA

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Town of Brookston (Town) with the types of compliance requirements described in the <u>U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement</u> that are applicable to each of its major federal program(s) for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010. The Town's major federal program(s) is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable its major federal program is the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, <u>Audits of States</u>, <u>Local Governments</u>, <u>and Non-Profit Organizations</u>. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Town complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal program(s) for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010.

Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Town is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over compliance.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 (Continued)

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Town's management, the Town Board and others within the entity, federal awarding agencies, and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. In accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-5-1, this report is a part of the public records of the State Board of Accounts and of the office examined.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

April 14, 2011

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For The Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2010

Federal Grantor Agency/Pass-Through Entity Cluster Title/Program Title/Project Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity (or Other) Identifying Number	Total Federal Awards Expended 12-31-10
U.S. HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT Pass-Through Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs CDBG – State –Administered Small Cities Program Cluster Community Development Block Grants/State's program and Non-Entitlement Grants in Hawaii	14.228	DR2-09-050 DR2-09-008	\$ 50,000 627,764
Total for federal grantor agency			677,764
Total federal awards expended			\$ 677,764

The accompanying note(s) are an integral part of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

TOWN OF BROOKSTON NOTE(S) TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the Town of Brookston (Town) and is presented in accordance with the cash and investment basis of accounting used in the preparation of the financial statements. Accordingly, the amount of federal awards expended is based on when the disbursement related to the award occurs except when the federal award is received on a reimbursement basis. In these instances the federal awards are considered expended when the reimbursement is received.

Circular A-133 requires an annual audit of nonfederal entities expending a total amount of federal awards equal to or in excess of \$500,000 in any fiscal year unless by constitution or statute a less frequent audit is required. In accordance with Indiana Code (IC 5-11-1 et seq.), audits of Towns with populations under 5,000 shall be conducted biennially. Such audits shall include both years within the biennial period.

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statement(s):

Type of auditor's report issued: Unqualified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified?

Significant deficienc(y)(ies) identified? none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? no

Federal Awards:

Internal control over major programs:

Material weaknesses identified? no

Significant deficienc(y)(ies) identified? none reported

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for

major programs: Unqualified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported In accordance with section 510(a) of Circular A-133?

Identification of Major Programs:

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

CDBG - State Administered Small Cities Program Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$300,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (Continued)

Section II – Financial Statement Findings

We noted a deficiency in the internal control system of the Town related to financial transactions and reporting. We believe the following deficiency constitutes a material weakness:

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Control activities should be selected and developed at various levels of the town to reduce risks to achievement of financial reporting objectives. The Town has not separated incompatible activities related to town receipts, utility billings and collections, disbursements, payroll and related liabilities, and cash and investment balances. The failure to establish these controls could enable material misstatements or irregularities to occur and remain undetected.

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Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters are reportable.

TOWN OF BROOKSTON SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

No matters are reportable.

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April 14, 2011

The management of the Town of Brookston have reviewed the Financial Statement Finding 2010-1 Internal Controls over Financial Transactions and Reporting, related to their audit for the period Jan. 1, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2010. We offer the following corrective actions:

1. Lack of Secregation of Duties- The Clerk-Treasurer's office will review their office procedures and attempt to institute duties that would involve, at least on a sample basis, reviews of the work being performed by each of the office employees. However, the Town is a very small governmental unit and management has determined that the cost associated with employing the additional staff necessary to properly segregate the duties in the business office would outweigh the benefits of a stronger internal control structure. Management acknowledges and assumes the risk inherent with the current design of their business office.

Ginger E. Brown Clerk-Treasurer

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The contents of this report were discussed on April 14, 2011, with Ginger E. Treasurer.	Brown, Clerk-