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EXAMINATION REPORT  
OF

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
RUSH COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010



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OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Director	Carole Yeend	01-01-09 to 12-31-11
Controller	Deborah Adams	01-01-09 to 10-13-09
Fiscal Officer	Carole Yeend	10-23-09 to 12-31-11
President of the Board	Ken Masters	01-01-09 to 12-31-11



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, RUSH COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial schedules of the Rush County Solid Waste Management District (District), for the period of January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010. The District's management is responsible for the financial schedules. 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 schedules and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the District prepares its financial schedules 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 noted above is a different basis than that used in the prior year.

In our opinion, the financial schedules referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations of the District for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2010, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The Combining Schedules of Receipts, Disbursements, and Cash and Investment Balances – Regulatory Basis and Schedule of Capital Assets, as listed in the Table of Contents, are presented for additional analysis and are not required parts of the financial schedules. They have not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the financial schedules and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the District's management, the District Board, 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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August 1, 2011

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -  
REGULATORY BASIS  
As Of and For The Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Cash and Investments 01-01-09	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-09
Solid Waste Management	\$ 1,390	\$ 154,512	\$ 128,464	\$ 27,438
Idem Hazmat Grant	15,469	840	16,309	-
Idem Pep Grant 2008	4,312	4,900	9,212	-
Payroll	-	55,925	52,676	3,249
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Totals	<u>\$ 21,171</u>	<u>\$ 216,177</u>	<u>\$ 206,661</u>	<u>\$ 30,687</u>

The notes to the financial information are an integral part of this schedule.

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
 SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -  
 REGULATORY BASIS  
 As Of and For The Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Cash and Investments 01-01-10	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-10
Solid Waste Management	\$ 27,438	\$ 125,120	\$ 99,840	\$ 52,718
Payroll	<u>3,249</u>	<u>37,761</u>	<u>38,257</u>	<u>2,753</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 30,687</u>	<u>\$ 162,881</u>	<u>\$ 138,097</u>	<u>\$ 55,471</u>

The notes to the financial information are an integral part of this schedule.

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

**Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*A. Reporting Entity*

The District was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The District operates under an appointed governing board.

The accompanying financial schedules present the financial information for the District (primary government), and does not include financial information for any of the District'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 District (primary government).

*B. Basis of Accounting*

The financial schedules 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 schedules. 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 District.

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, financial institution tax received from the state, auto excise surtax received from the state, and riverboat receipts received from the county.

Charges for services which can include, but are not limited to the following: recycling fees,

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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 schedules. 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 District. It includes all expenditures for the reduction of the principal and interest of the District'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.

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 District 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 District. 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 District. The money accounted for in a specific fund may only be available for use for certain, legally restricted purposes. Additionally, some

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funds are used to account for assets held by the District 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 District 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 District 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 District 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 District 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 District to set aside money for claim settlements. The self-insurance fund would be included in the

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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 District by recording as a disbursement and replacement items purchased.

**Note 6. Restatement**

Prior to January 1, 2009, District financial activities were accounted for in the Rush County funds ledger, with the County Auditor acting as the Controller. Even though the District was formed and began operation January 1, 2005, operations were conducted through a line item within the County's General fund budget for years 2005 through 2008. The District revenue was limited to the appropriation provided by Rush County. When the District separated its financial operations from the County on January 1, 2009, the remaining appropriation that was reported as the ending cash balance in the prior report was not transferred to the District. The County loaned the District \$50,000 on January 20, 2009, to provide the District with operating funds until they received the first local tax distribution in June, 2009. The following schedule presents the restated beginning balance of the Solid Waste Management fund.

Fund	Balance as Reported December 31, 2008	Prior Period Adjustments	Balance as Restated January 1, 2009
Solid Waste Management	\$ 32,313.00	\$ (30,923.00)	\$ 1,390.00

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – UNAUDITED

For additional financial information, the District's Annual Reports can be found on the Indiana Transparency Portal website: [www.in.gov/itp/annual\\_reports/](http://www.in.gov/itp/annual_reports/).

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -  
 REGULATORY BASIS  
 For The Year Ended December 31, 2009

	Solid Waste Management	Idem Hazmat Grant	Idem Pep Grant 2008	Payroll	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 1,390	\$ 15,469	\$ 4,312	\$ -	\$ 21,171
Receipts:					
Taxes	93,846	-	-	-	93,846
Intergovernmental	7,093	840	4,900	-	12,833
Charges for services	900	-	-	-	900
Other receipts	52,673	-	-	55,925	108,598
Total receipts	<u>154,512</u>	<u>840</u>	<u>4,900</u>	<u>55,925</u>	<u>216,177</u>
Disbursements:					
Personal services	45,142	-	-	-	45,142
Supplies	3,362	-	-	-	3,362
Other services and charges	20,144	16,309	9,212	-	45,665
Capital outlay	9,816	-	-	-	9,816
Other disbursements	50,000	-	-	52,676	102,676
Total disbursements	<u>128,464</u>	<u>16,309</u>	<u>9,212</u>	<u>52,676</u>	<u>206,661</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	<u>26,048</u>	<u>(15,469)</u>	<u>(4,312)</u>	<u>3,249</u>	<u>9,516</u>
Cash and investments - ending	<u>\$ 27,438</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,249</u>	<u>\$ 30,687</u>

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SCHEDULE RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES -  
REGULATORY BASIS  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2010

	Solid Waste Management	Payroll	Totals
Cash and investments - beginning	\$ 27,438	\$ 3,249	\$ 30,687
Receipts:			
Taxes	102,617	-	102,617
Charges for services	1,655	-	1,655
Other receipts	<u>20,848</u>	<u>37,761</u>	<u>58,609</u>
Total receipts	<u>125,120</u>	<u>37,761</u>	<u>162,881</u>
Disbursements:			
Personal services	46,445	-	46,445
Supplies	3,396	-	3,396
Other services and charges	29,632	-	29,632
Capital outlay	367	-	367
Other disbursements	<u>20,000</u>	<u>38,257</u>	<u>58,257</u>
Total disbursements	<u>99,840</u>	<u>38,257</u>	<u>138,097</u>
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements	<u>25,280</u>	<u>(496)</u>	<u>24,784</u>
Cash and investments - ending	<u>\$ 52,718</u>	<u>\$ 2,753</u>	<u>\$ 55,471</u>

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION  
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2010

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed or donated assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received.

<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	
Machinery and equipment	<u>\$ 71,441</u>

RUSH COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on August 1, 2011, with Ken Masters, President of the Board, and Carole Yeend, Director and Fiscal Officer. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.