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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF HAMBLEN TOWNSHIP, BROWN COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Hamblen Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2013, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the requirements of Indiana Code 5-11-1. Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Township's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on any basic financial statement of the Township.

Management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents, as well as compliance with applicable state laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Township's Annual Financial Reports filed for years prior to 2011 can be found on the Indiana Transparency Portal website: www.in.gov/itp/annual_reports/. For years 2011 and later, the Annual Financial Reports filed by the Township can be found on the Gateway website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>.

The Comments contained herein describe the identified reportable instances of noncompliance found as a result of the procedures we performed. Our procedures were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

Current Period Comments

- *The Township did not adopt a resolution establishing salaries of Township officers and employees for 2011, 2012, or 2013.*
- *Board members of the Township were paid without the Township withholding social security and Medicare taxes.*
- *W-2s were not issued for the Township Board members.*
- *For 2012, the Certified Report of Names, Addresses, Duties and Compensation of Public Employees (Form 100-R or its equivalent) was inaccurate. The report stated the Township Board members total compensation was \$700 each, but the members were actually paid \$600 each in 2012.*

- *The Township did not document the review and adoption of the 2012 Annual Financial Report in accordance with Indiana Code 36-6-6-9 in the Board minutes.*
- *The Annual Financial Report was not published in accordance with Indiana Code 36-6-4-13 for 2012.*
- *The Township did not have a Nepotism Policy for 2012 or 2013.*
- *Each elected officer did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism) by December 31, 2012 and 2013.*
- *The Township did not have a Contracting Policy for 2012 or 2013.*
- *Each elected officer did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-21 (Contracting With a Unit) by December 31, 2012 and 2013.*

This letter is intended for the information and use of the governing body and management of the Township. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this letter, which is a matter of public record.

The contents of this letter were discussed on July 10, 2014, with Philip Stephens, Trustee.


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