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## TO: THE OFFICIALS OF ORLEANS TOWNSHIP, ORANGE COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Orleans Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2010 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: <u>www.in.gov/itp/annual\_reports/</u>. For years 2011 and later, the Annual Financial Reports filed by the Township can be found on the Gateway website: <u>https://gateway.ifjonline.org/</u>.

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.

## **Unresolved Comments From Prior Report**

- Employees of the Township were paid without the Township withholding federal, state, and local taxes.
- W-2s were not issued for all Township employees.

## Current Period Comments

- The Township did not adopt a resolution establishing salaries of Township officers and employees. Form 17 (Resolution Establishing Salaries of Township Officers and Employees) has been prescribed for this purpose.
- Payments made for mowing were not supported by a written contract.

- Township Assistance Standards were not established in accordance with Indiana Code 12-20-5.5-1.
- 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.
- The Township did not timely file a Certified Report of Names, Addresses, Duties and Compensation of Public Employees (Form 100-R or its equivalent) with the Indiana State Board of Accounts for the years 2011 and 2012. The reports were filed on February 6, 2012, and February 18, 2013, which was 6 and 18 days past the due date.

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 May 5, 2014, with Max D. Hall, Trustee.

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