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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

COUNTY AUDITOR

PIKE COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013



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COUNTY OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Auditor	Ronald K. Wilson	01-01-11 to 12-31-14
President of the County Council	Greg Willis	01-01-13 to 12-31-14
President of the Board of County Commissioners	Brian Davis	01-01-13 to 12-31-14



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF PIKE COUNTY

We have examined the records of the County Auditor for the period from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013, 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 Examination Results and Comments. The financial transactions of this office are reflected in the Annual Report of Pike County for the year 2013.

Paul D. Joyce
Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

December 4, 2014

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EXAMINATION RESULTS AND COMMENTS

OVERDRAWN CASH BALANCE

The financial statement included the following fund with an overdrawn cash balance at December 31, 2013:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount Overdrawn</u>
Local Road and Street	<u>\$ 4,805</u>

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)

CREDIT CARDS

The County used credit cards to purchase items without an approved credit card policy.

The State Board of Accounts will not take exception to the use of credit cards by a governmental unit provided the following criteria are observed:

1. The governing board must authorize credit card use through an ordinance or resolution, which has been approved in the minutes.
2. Issuance and use should be handled by an official or employee designated by the board.
3. The purposes for which the credit card may be used must be specifically stated in the ordinance or resolution.
4. When the purpose for which the credit card has been issued has been accomplished, the card should be returned to the custody of the responsible person.
5. The designated responsible official or employee should maintain an accounting system or log which would include the names of individuals requesting usage of the cards, their position, estimated amounts to be charged, fund and account numbers to be charged, date the card is issued and returned, etc.
6. Credit cards should not be used to bypass the accounting system. One reason that purchase orders are issued is to provide the fiscal officer with the means to encumber and track appropriations to provide the governing board and other officials with timely and accurate accounting information and monitoring of the accounting system.
7. Payment should not be made on the basis of a statement or a credit card slip only. Procedures for payments should be no different than for any other claim. Supporting documents such as paid bills and receipts must be available. Additionally, any interest or penalty incurred due to late filing or furnishing of documentation by an officer or employee should be the responsibility of that officer or employee.
8. If properly authorized, an annual fee may be paid.

(Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for County Auditors of Indiana, Chapter 14)

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EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on December 4, 2014, with Ronald K. Wilson, Auditor; Brian Davis, President of the Board of County Commissioners; and Greg Willis, President of the County Council.