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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF SMITH TOWNSHIP, GREENE COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Smith Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015, 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 Annual Financial Reports filed by the Township can be found on the Gateway website: <a href="https://gateway.ifionline.org/">https://gateway.ifionline.org/</a>.

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**

- Receipts were deposited later than the first and fifteenth of each month. Deposits were made up to 5 months after receipt.
- Supporting documentation for payments for cemetery care and contracts for library services were not presented for review.
- Application for Township assistance did not contain the Trustee's signature nor was there
  any evidence of an investigation. Township assistance applications could not be located for
  all payments made.

## **Current Period Comments**

 The financial institution did not return the actual cancelled checks with the monthly bank statements, but instead returned only an optical image of the front side of the checks. The back side or endorsement side of the checks was not returned.

- The Annual Financial Report for 2013 was not filed electronically until March 31, 2014, which was 30 days past the due date.
- 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 2014. The report was filed on March 31, 2015, which is 59 days past the due date.
- 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, 2013, 2014, or 2015.
- 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, 2013, 2014, or 2015.
- The Trustee did not properly file an individual Surety Bond with the County Recorder for 2013, 2014, or 2015.

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 April 15, 2016, with Terry Blanton, Trustee. Any Official Response attached to this letter was not verified for accuracy.

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