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## TO: THE OFFICIALS OF NEWBURY TOWNSHIP, LAGRANGE COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Newbury 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 statement, 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: <u>https://gateway.ifionline.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 Comment From Prior Report**

• Depository reconciliations of the fund balances to the bank account balances were not prepared for 2012, 2013, or 2014. Reconciliations were prepared for 2015; however, the reconciliations did not balance. As of December 31, 2015, we identified cash short in the amount of \$1,452.41.

## **Current Period Comments**

• The Annual Financial Report filed on Gateway for 2014 and 2015 did not match the Township's records.

			Ai	mount Per	Aı	nount Per		
Years	Fund	Category	Township Ledger		Gateway		Difference	
2014	Township	Disbursements	\$	36,993.74	\$	36,966.61	\$	27.13
		Ending Balance		61,741.81		61,768.94		(27.13)
	Twp. Assistance	Disbursements		17,251.94		15,923.72		1,328.22
		Ending Balance		57,720.65		59,048.87		(1,328.22)
2015	Township	Beginning Balance		60,655.43		61,768.94		(1,113.51)
		Receipts		11,812.01		11,817.72		(5.71)
		Disbursements		47,010.81		47,361.22		(350.41)
		Ending Balance		25,456.63		26,225.44		(768.81)
	Twp. Assistance	Beginning Balance		57,720.65		59,048.87		(1,328.22)
		Receipts		5, 191.26		5, 194. 13		(2.87)
		Disbursements		17,626.51		17,724.12		(97.61)
		Ending Balance		45,285.40		46,518.88		(1,233.48)
	Fire Fighting	Receipts		18,837.79		18,992.53		(154.74)
		Ending Balance		<i>69,4</i> 28.87		69,583.61		(154.74)
	Cumulative Fire	Beginning Balance		152,853.05		154,564.92		(1,711.87)
		Ending Balance		96,238.44		97,950.31		(1,711.87)

• The records presented for review indicated the following disbursements in excess of budgeted appropriations:

Years	Fund	Ā	xcess mount sbursed
2014 2015	Fire Fighting Township Cumulative Fire	\$	2,708 821 9,113

• Payments made for community services from 2012 through 2015 were not supported by written contracts.

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 20, 2016, with Brandi Fitch, Trustee. Any official response attached to this letter was not verified for accuracy.

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