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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE HARRISON TOWNSHIP, WELLS COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of the 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.

Current Period Comments

- The Trustee's Surety Bond was insufficient per statute.
- Receipts were deposited later than the first and the fifteenth of the month and were as much as ten days late.
- Each elected officer did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism) by December 31, 2014 and 2015.
- The Township did not have a Contracting Policy for 2012, 2013, 2014, and 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 May 26, 2016, with Eric Kiefer, Trustee. Any Official Response attached to this letter was not verified for accuracy.

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