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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF STAFFORD TOWNSHIP, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

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

Annual Financial Reports filed by the Township can be found on the Gateway website: <u>https://gateway.ifionline.org/</u>.

The procedures we performed did not indicate any instances of substantial noncompliance that warrant comment at this time. Our procedures were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

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 August 17, 2016, with Carl L. Casebere, Trustee. Any Official Response attached to this letter was not verified for accuracy.

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