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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF FERDINAND TOWNSHIP, DUBOIS COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Ferdinand 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: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>.

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

- *Records presented indicated the Fire Fighting fund disbursements were in excess of budgeted appropriations in the amount of \$5,000 for 2014.*
- *Employees of the Township were paid without the Township withholding federal, state, and local taxes.*
- *Township Assistance Standards were not established in accordance with Indiana Code 12-20-5.5-1.*
- *Each Township Board member did not certify in writing that the officer had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism) by December 31, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015. The Trustee did not certify in writing that he had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism) by December 31, 2013 and 2014.*
- *Each Township Board member 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, and 2015. The Trustee did not certify in writing that he had not violated Indiana Code 36-1-21 (Contracting With a Unit) by December 31, 2013 and 2014.*

- *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 February 9, 2015, which was nine days past the due date.*

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 November 21, 2016, with David M. Kemper, Trustee. Any Official Response attached to this letter was not verified for accuracy.


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