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COMPLIANCE REPORT

OF

CASS TOWNSHIP

OHIO COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	Ron Spurlock	01-01-11 to 12-31-12
	Bridgett Bolling	01-01-13 to 12-31-18
Chairman of the Township Board	James Henry	01-01-14 to 12-31-14
	Raymond Kirkpatrick	01-01-15 to 12-31-18



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TO: THE OFFICIALS OF CASS TOWNSHIP, OHIO COUNTY, INDIANA

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we performed certain procedures to the accounting records and related documents of Cass Township (Township), Ohio County, for the period of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017, to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Results and Comments contained herein describe the identified reportable instances of noncompliance found as a result of these procedures. Our tests were not designed to identify all instances of noncompliance; therefore, noncompliance may exist that is unidentified.

The Schedule of Cash and Investment Balances - Regulatory Basis, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented as other information. It has not been subjected to any auditing procedures and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Any Official Response to the Results and Comments, incorporated within this report, was not verified for accuracy.

Paul D. Joyce
Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

November 7, 2018

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OTHER INFORMATION - UNAUDITED

The Township's Annual Financial Reports information can be found on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units (Gateway) website: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>. The schedule presented herein is presented as other information and is derived from the Township's Annual Financial Reports information and has not been subjected to any audit procedures. No adjustments have been made to the information as reported in Gateway and, as such, balances may differ.

CASS TOWNSHIP, OHIO COUNTY
 SCHEDULE OF CASH AND INVESTMENT
 BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS
 For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Fund	Cash and Investments 12-31-17
Township	\$ 55,947
Township Assistance	18,850
Fire Fighting	5,503
Rainy Day	<u>4,399</u>
Total	<u>\$ 84,699</u>

CASS TOWNSHIP, OHIO COUNTY
RESULTS AND COMMENTS

COMPENSATION

A similar comment appeared in prior Report B44847.

The Township did not provide an annual salary resolution or ordinance, Township Board minutes, or other documentation setting and approving the salaries of Township officers and employees during the engagement period.

Indiana Code 36-6-6-10(b) states:

"The township legislative body shall fix the:

- (1) salaries;
- (2) wages;
- (3) rates of hourly pay; and
- (4) remuneration other than statutory allowances;

of all officers and employees of the township."

All compensation and benefits paid to officials and employees must be included in the labor contract, salary ordinance, resolution, or salary schedule adopted by the governing body unless otherwise authorized by law. Compensation must be paid in a manner that will facilitate compliance with state and federal reporting requirements. (Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual for Townships, Chapter 1)

CASS TOWNSHIP, OHIO COUNTY
RESULTS AND COMMENTS
(Continued)

ADOPTION OF INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

The Township had not adopted the acceptable minimum level of internal control standards as defined by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(g) states:

"After June 30, 2016, the legislative body of a political subdivision shall ensure that:

- (1) the internal control standards and procedures developed under subsection (e) are adopted by the political subdivision; and
- (2) personnel receive training concerning the internal control standards and procedures adopted by the political subdivision."

CERTIFICATION ON INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS

The Township certified with the Annual Financial Report on Gateway that it had adopted the minimum internal control standards as required by Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(e); however, during the engagement, the Trustee indicated that the Township had not adopted the minimum internal control standards.

Indiana Code 5-11-1-4(a) states:

"The state examiner shall require from every municipality and every state or local governmental unit, entity, or instrumentality financial reports covering the full period of each fiscal year. These reports shall be prepared, verified, and filed with the state examiner not later than sixty (60) days after the close of each fiscal year. The reports must be in the form and content prescribed by the state examiner and filed electronically in the manner prescribed under [IC 5-14-3.8-7](#)."

CASS TOWNSHIP, OHIO COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on November 7, 2018, with Bridgett Bolling, Trustee.