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**GREEN CREEK TOWNSHIP
SANDUSKY COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Green Creek Township
Sandusky County
4335 Limerick Road
Clyde, Ohio 43410-2062

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Green Creek Township, Sandusky County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The Township processes its financial transactions with the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to audit the Township because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and as requested, operates UAN. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the modified cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Green Creek Township, Sandusky County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in modified cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General, Gasoline Tax and Road and Bridge Funds thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 1 describes.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 19, 2007, on our consideration of the Township's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information the Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.



Mary Taylor, CPA
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April 19, 2007

**GREEN CREEK TOWNSHIP
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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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This discussion and analysis of Green Creek Township's financial performance provides an overall review of the Township's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2006, within the limitations of the Township's cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Township's financial performance.

Highlights

Key highlights for 2006 are as follows:

- The Township's general receipts are primarily property taxes and intergovernmental monies. Tax receipts for 2006 were up compared to 2005. The Township received approximately \$37,000 in estate taxes, which is always bonus income that cannot be anticipated when budgeting for the year.
- The Township lost in excess of 44 acres to the City of Clyde through annexation petitions.
- In the fall of 2005, the City of Clyde voted to withdraw from the Township which will result in the loss of shared property tax receipts after tax year 2006. Most of the funds received from this source are used to fund the Township's fire protection contracts.
- The Township was approved for an Ohio Public Works Grant to fund 40% of the costs for a ditch relocation project on Township Road 220. Sandusky County will fund 10% of the project costs through Issue II/L-Tip Grant money, leaving the Township to fund the remaining 50% of the costs.
- The Township completed only minor road repair projects this year that included patching Township Roads #181, 212, 228 and Franks Avenue. Township Roads #183, 195, 221 & 246 were striped. The Bakertown Cemetery Road was patched and sealed.
- Northern Ohio Rural Water began an expansion project within the Township to provide portable water to more Township residents.
- The board reduced the road crew staff by one position effective December 1, 2006.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Township's cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the Township as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the Township as a way to segregate money whose use is restricted to a particular specified purpose. These statements present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the government wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The Township has elected to present its financial statements on a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Township's cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

As a result of using the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

Reporting the Township as a Whole

The Township contracts with the City of Clyde Fire Department and the Green Springs Fire Department for fire protection.

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the Township did financially during 2006, within the limitations of cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances and investments of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each governmental function draws from the Township's general receipts.

These statements report the Township's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the Township's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's cash position is one indicator of whether the Township's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Township's financial condition, you should also consider other nonfinancial factors as well such as the Township's property tax base, the condition of the Township's capital assets and infrastructure, the extent of the Township's debt obligations, the reliance on non-local financial resources for operations and the need for continued growth in the major local revenue sources such as property taxes.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the Township has only one type of activity and that is:

Governmental activities. Most of the Township's basic services are reported here, including fire and roads. State and federal grants and property taxes finance most of these activities. Benefits provided through Governmental activities are not necessarily paid for by the people receiving them.

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Reporting the Township's Most Significant Funds

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Township's major funds – not the Township as a whole. The Township establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money that is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose. The funds of the Township are reported in governmental funds.

The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the Township's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the Township's programs. The Township's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for nonmajor funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The Township's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Gas Tax Fund and the Road & Bridge Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements. We describe this relationship in reconciliations presented with the governmental fund financial statements.

The Township as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Township's net assets for 2006 compared to 2005 on a cash basis:

(Table 1)
Net Assets

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	2006	2005
Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$525,262	\$438,069
Total Assets	\$525,262	\$438,069
Net Assets		
Restricted for:		
Other Purposes	260,626	194,276
Unrestricted	264,636	243,793
Total Net Assets	\$525,262	\$438,069

Net assets of governmental activities increased \$87,193 or 20 percent during fiscal year 2006.

The primary reasons contributing to this growth were:

- Increases in tax receipts
- The fact that no major road improvement projects were completed during 2006 versus 2005.

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Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets on a cash basis in 2006 and 2005 for Governmental activities.

(Table 2)
Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities	
	2006	2005
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services and Sales	\$5,528	\$3,878
Operating Grants and Contributions	93,683	92,044
Capital Grants and Contributions		20,000
Total Program Receipts	99,211	115,922
General Receipts:		
Property and Other Local Taxes	225,222	215,642
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted to Specific Programs	97,011	175,127
Interest	13,989	3,784
Miscellaneous	4,056	4,564
Total General Receipts	340,278	399,117
Total Receipts	439,489	515,039
Disbursements:		
General Government	91,950	83,369
Public Safety	65,371	46,408
Public Works	187,880	178,188
Health	6,545	2,151
Other		2,991
Capital Outlay	550	21,655
Total Disbursements	352,296	334,762
Increase in Net Assets	87,193	180,277
Net Assets, January 1, 2006	438,069	257,792
Net Assets, December 31, 2006	\$525,262	\$438,069

Program receipts represent only 23 percent of total receipts and are primarily comprised of restricted intergovernmental receipts such as motor vehicle license and gas tax money, building permits.

General receipts represent 77 percent of the Township's total receipts, and of this amount, over 66 percent are local taxes. State and federal grants and entitlements make up the balance of the Township's general receipts (29 percent). Other receipts are very insignificant and somewhat unpredictable revenue sources.

Disbursements for General Government represent the overhead costs of running the Township and the support services provided for the other Township activities. These include the costs of the board of trustees, and the auditor, treasurer, as well as internal services such as payroll and purchasing.

Public Safety is the cost of fire protection; Public Works is the cost of maintaining the roads; Capital Outlay is the cost of road improvements.

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Governmental Activities

If you look at the Statement of Activities, you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by the Township. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The major program disbursement for Governmental activities is public works, which accounts for 53 percent of all governmental disbursements. General government also represents a significant cost, about 26 percent. Public Safety represents 19 percent. The next two columns of the Statement entitled Program Receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the Township that must be used to provide a specific service. The net Receipt (Disbursement) column compares the program receipts to the cost of the service. This "net cost" amount represents the cost of the service which ends up being paid from money provided by local taxpayers. These net costs are paid from the general receipts which are presented at the bottom of the Statement. A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost is presented in Table 3.

(Table 3)

	Governmental Activities			
	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
	2006	2006	2005	2005
General Government	\$91,950	\$88,485	\$83,369	\$81,344
Public Safety	65,371	65,371	46,408	46,408
Public Works	187,880	94,197	178,188	66,144
Health	6,545	4,482	2,151	298
Capital Outlay	550	550	21,655	21,655
Other			2,991	2,991
Total Expenses	\$352,296	\$253,085	\$334,762	\$218,840

The dependence upon property and income tax receipts is apparent as over 64 percent of Governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

The Township's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$439,489 and disbursements of \$352,296. The greatest change within governmental funds occurred within the Road and Bridge Fund. The fund balance of the Road and Bridge Fund increased \$71,577 as the result of having no major road work paid for during 2006. The T.R. 220 project bid in 2006 will be paid for and completed in 2007. The General Fund balance also increased, by \$20,843, primarily due to the receipt of unexpected estate tax revenue.

General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The Township's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

There was no change in the final budgeted receipts to original budgeted receipts. The difference between final budgeted receipts and actual receipts was considered significant. The actual receipts were more than final budgeted receipts due to unexpected inheritance tax receipts received in 2006.

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Final disbursements were budgeted at \$368,605 while actual disbursements were \$164,572. The budgeted amount equals our January amended certificate and includes funds that were appropriated but not spent for anticipated expenses in the areas of fire protection, and road improvements. The budgeted amount includes funds that carried forward from previous years to be used toward future extraordinary expenses such as fire truck replacement and road improvements.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

The Township does not record capital assets in the accompanying basic financial statements, but records payments for capital assets as disbursements.

Debt

At December 31, 2006, the Township had no outstanding debt.

Current Issues

The challenge for all Townships is to provide quality services to the public while staying within the restrictions imposed by limited, and in some cases shrinking funding. We rely heavily on local taxes and have very little industry to support the tax base. The City of Clyde withdrew from Green Creek Township in the fall of 2006. This will have an impact on our revenues as the Township shared in the property taxes collected on City residents. The Township will receive the tax revenue through tax year 2006 (to be collected and paid to the Township in 2007). This money has been used primarily to fund fire contract expenses for the Township. The Board of Trustees anticipates the need to put a fire levy on the ballot in 2007 to replace the lost funds and to cover the cost of future fire protection contracts.

Contacting the Township's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to reflect the Township's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Mary Jo Gill, Fiscal Officer, Green Creek Township, 4335 Limerick Road, Clyde, Ohio 43410-2062.

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*Statement of Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis
December 31, 2006*

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$525,262</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u><u>\$525,262</u></u>
Net Assets	
Restricted for:	
Other Purposes	\$260,626
Unrestricted	<u>264,636</u>
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	<u><u>\$525,262</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Activities - Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006*

	Cash Disbursements	Program Cash Receipts		Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Assets
		Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities				
General Government	\$91,950	\$3,465		(\$88,485)
Public Safety	65,371			(65,371)
Public Works	187,880		\$93,683	(94,197)
Health	6,545	2,063		(4,482)
Capital Outlay	550			(550)
Total	\$352,296	\$5,528	\$93,683	(253,085)
		General Receipts		
		Property Taxes Levied for:		
		General Purposes		85,041
		Road and Bridge		140,181
		Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs		97,011
		Interest		13,989
		Miscellaneous		4,056
		<i>Total General Receipts</i>		<u>340,278</u>
		Change in Net Assets		87,193
		<i>Net Assets Beginning of Year</i>		<u>438,069</u>
		<i>Net Assets End of Year</i>		<u><u>\$525,262</u></u>

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*Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2006*

	<u>General</u>	<u>Gasoline Tax</u>	<u>Road and Bridge</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$264,636	\$32,623	\$210,700	\$17,303	\$525,262
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$264,636</u>	<u>\$32,623</u>	<u>\$210,700</u>	<u>\$17,303</u>	<u>\$525,262</u>
Fund Balances					
Reserved:					
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$5,269	\$4,441	\$65,334	\$14,386	\$89,430
Unreserved:					
Undesignated (Deficit), Reported in:					
General Fund	259,367				259,367
Special Revenue Funds		28,182	145,366	16,772	190,320
Capital Projects Funds				(13,855)	(13,855)
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$264,636</u>	<u>\$32,623</u>	<u>\$210,700</u>	<u>\$17,303</u>	<u>\$525,262</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Modified-Cash Basis Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006*

	General	Gasoline Tax	Road and Bridge	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$85,041		\$140,181		\$225,222
Licenses, Permits and Fees	3,465			\$2,063	5,528
Intergovernmental	78,547	\$81,542	18,464	12,141	190,694
Interest	13,018	892		79	13,989
Other	75		81	3,900	4,056
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>180,146</u>	<u>82,434</u>	<u>158,726</u>	<u>18,183</u>	<u>439,489</u>
Disbursements					
Current:					
General Government	91,950				91,950
Public Safety	65,371				65,371
Public Works		86,736	87,149	13,995	187,880
Health	1,982			4,563	6,545
Capital Outlay				550	550
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>159,303</u>	<u>86,736</u>	<u>87,149</u>	<u>19,108</u>	<u>352,296</u>
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	20,843	(4,302)	71,577	(925)	87,193
<i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>	<u>243,793</u>	<u>36,925</u>	<u>139,123</u>	<u>18,228</u>	<u>438,069</u>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$264,636</u></u>	<u><u>\$32,623</u></u>	<u><u>\$210,700</u></u>	<u><u>\$17,303</u></u>	<u><u>\$525,262</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**GREEN CREEK TOWNSHIP
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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006*

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$76,577	\$76,577	\$85,041	\$8,464
Licenses, Permits and Fees	3,000	3,000	3,465	465
Intergovernmental	43,735	43,735	78,547	34,812
Interest	2,900	2,900	13,018	10,118
Other			75	75
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>126,212</u>	<u>126,212</u>	<u>180,146</u>	<u>53,934</u>
Disbursements				
Current:				
General Government	122,990	124,090	97,219	26,871
Public Safety	60,000	68,500	65,371	3,129
Public Works		65,000		65,000
Health	2,500	2,500	1,982	518
Capital Outlay	173,515	108,515		108,515
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>359,005</u>	<u>368,605</u>	<u>164,572</u>	<u>204,033</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(232,793)</u>	<u>(242,393)</u>	<u>15,574</u>	<u>257,967</u>
Other Financing Uses	11,000	1,400		(1,400)
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(243,793)	(243,793)	15,574	256,567
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>242,827</u>	<u>242,827</u>	<u>242,827</u>	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	966	966	966	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u><u>966</u></u>	<u><u>966</u></u>	<u><u>\$259,367</u></u>	<u><u>\$256,567</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
Gasoline Tax Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006*

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Receipts				
Intergovernmental	\$74,750	\$74,750	\$81,542	\$6,792
Interest	250	250	892	642
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>82,434</u>	<u>7,434</u>
Disbursements				
Current:				
Public Works	108,625	109,925	91,177	18,748
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>108,625</u>	<u>109,925</u>	<u>91,177</u>	<u>18,748</u>
<i>Excess of Disbursements Over Receipts</i>	<u>(33,625)</u>	<u>(34,925)</u>	<u>(8,743)</u>	<u>26,182</u>
Other Financing Uses	3,300	2,000		(2,000)
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(36,925)	(36,925)	(8,743)	24,182
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>36,821</u>	<u>36,821</u>	<u>36,821</u>	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	104	104	104	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u><u>104</u></u>	<u><u>104</u></u>	<u><u>\$28,182</u></u>	<u><u>\$24,182</u></u>

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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
Road and Bridge Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006*

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Receipts				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$131,943	\$131,943	\$140,181	\$8,238
Intergovernmental	17,000	17,000	18,464	1,464
Other	1	1	81	80
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>148,944</u>	<u>148,944</u>	<u>158,726</u>	<u>9,782</u>
Disbursements				
Current:				
Public Works	239,466	245,566	152,483	93,083
Capital Outlay	40,000	40,000		40,000
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>279,466</u>	<u>285,566</u>	<u>152,483</u>	<u>133,083</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(130,522)</u>	<u>(136,622)</u>	<u>6,243</u>	<u>142,865</u>
Other Financing Uses	8,600	2,500		(2,500)
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(139,122)	(139,122)	6,243	140,365
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>138,842</u>	<u>138,842</u>	<u>138,842</u>	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	281	281	281	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u><u>\$1</u></u>	<u><u>\$1</u></u>	<u><u>\$145,366</u></u>	<u><u>\$140,365</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 – REPORTING ENTITY

The Green Creek Township, Sandusky County, Ohio (the Township), is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Township is directed by a publicly elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township also has an elected Township Fiscal Officer.

The reporting entity is comprised of the primary government.

A. Primary Government

The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Township. The Township provides general government services, maintenance of Township roads and bridges, and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with the City of Clyde Fire Department and the Green Springs Fire Department for fire protection.

B. Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Township is financially accountable. The Township is financially accountable for an organization if the Township appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Township is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Township is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Township is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide support to, the organization; or the Township is obligated for the debt of the organization. The Township is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Township in that the Township approves their budget, the issuance of their debt or the levying of their taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the Township, are accessible to the Township and are significant in amount to the Township.

Based on this criteria, the Township has no component units.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township is financially accountable.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are the more significant of the Township's accounting policies.

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NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

A. Basis of Presentation

The Township's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Township as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of net assets presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the Township at year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the Township's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Township is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular program and receipts of interest earned on grants that is required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the Township's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Township segregates transactions related to certain Township functions or activities in separate funds to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Township at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

B. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are used to segregate resources that are restricted as to use. The funds of the Township are categorized as governmental.

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NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

Governmental Funds

The Township classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The Township's major governmental funds are as follows:

1. **General Fund**

The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the Township for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

2. **Gasoline Tax Fund**

The Gasoline Tax Fund receives state fuel excise taxes to pay for operating, constructing, maintaining and repairing Township Roads.

3. **Road and Bridge Fund**

The Road and Bridge Fund receives property tax monies for operating, constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

The other governmental funds of the Township account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

C. Basis of Accounting

The Township's financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the Township's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

D. Budgetary Process

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Township may appropriate.

The appropriations ordinance is the Township's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Township. The legal level of control has been established at the fund, department, and object level for all funds.

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NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Township Fiscal Officer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificated of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Township.

The appropriations resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Township during the year.

E. Cash

To improve cash management, cash received by the Township is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through Township records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

During 2006, the Township only invested in active funds in the form of a demand account (checking account) and a savings account with Community First/First Financial Bank, the Township's designated depository bank.

Interest earnings are allocated to Township funds according to State statutes, grant requirements, or debt related restrictions. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund during 2006 was \$13,018 which includes \$5,833 assigned from other Township funds.

F. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The Township reports disbursements for inventories and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

G. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

H. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the Township's cash basis of accounting.

I. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Township recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. Employer contributions include portions for pension benefits.

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NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

J. Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for road and bridge construction, maintenance and repair.

The Township's policy is to first apply restricted resources when an obligation is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

K. Fund Balance Reserves

Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund balance reserves have been established for encumbrances.

NOTE 3 – BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund and major special revenue funds are prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the *modified* cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (*modified* cash basis). The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$5,269 for the General Fund, \$4,441 for the Gasoline Tax Fund and \$65,334 for the Road and Bridge Fund.

NOTE 4 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Monies held by the Township are classified by State statute into three categories.

Active monies are public monies determined to be necessary to meet current demands upon the Township treasury. Active monies must be maintained either as cash in the Township treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Trustees have identified as not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts.

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NOTE 4 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Interim monies held by the Township can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Township, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions.

At year end, the Township had no undeposited cash on hand.

Deposits with Financial Institutions

At December 31, 2006, the carrying amount of all Township deposits was \$525,262. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of December 31, 2006, \$100,000 of the Township's bank balance of \$532,648 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and \$432,648 was exposed to custodial credit risk as discussed below.

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NOTE 4 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Township.

NOTE 5 – PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property located in the Township. Real property tax receipts received in 2006 represent the collection of 2005 taxes. Real property taxes received in 2006 were levied after October 1, 2005, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2005, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax receipts received in 2006 represent the collection of 2005 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in 2006 became a lien on December 31, 2005, were levied after October 1, 2005, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

Tangible personal property tax receipts received in 2006 (other than public utility property) represent the collection of 2005 taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received in 2006 were levied after October 1, 2005, on the true value as of December 31, 2005. Tangible personal property is currently assessed at 25 percent of true value for capital assets and 23 percent for inventory. Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, the first payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

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NOTE 5 – PROPERTY TAXES – (CONTINUED)

The full tax rate for all Township operations for the year ended December 31, 2006, was 3.2 mills per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed values of real property, public utility property, and tangible personal property upon which 2006 property tax receipts were based are as follows:

Real Property	
Residential	\$98,699,520
Agriculture	7,266,880
Commercial/Industrial/Mineral	34,161,030
Public Utility Property	
Real	38,010
Personal	4,232,680
Tangible Personal Property	24,787,871
Total Assessed Value	<u><u>\$169,185,991</u></u>

NOTE 6 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During 2006, the Township contracted with a private carrier for property and liability insurance coverage as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Amount of Coverage</u>
<u>EMC Insurance Companies</u>	Commercial Property	\$ 330,851
	General Liability	\$1,000,000/\$3,000,000
	Umbrella	\$1,000,000/\$3,000,000
	Inland Marine	\$5,000 or actual cash value
	Vehicle	\$1,000,000
	Linebacker	\$1,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three years and there was no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

The Township pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

The Township provides health and term life insurance to its full-time employees, the Fiscal Officer and Trustees through a private carrier.

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NOTE 7 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Township participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the member directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings.

The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the traditional plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member directed plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Members of the member directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or (800) 222-7377.

For the year ended December 31, 2006, the members of all three plans, except those in law enforcement or public safety participating in the traditional plan, were required to contribute 9.0 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Township's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2006 was 13.70. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Township's required contributions for pension obligations to the traditional and combined plans for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, were \$14,994, \$13,921, and \$13,754 respectively. The full amount has been contributed for 2006, 2005 and 2004.

NOTE 8 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the traditional or combined plans. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for postretirement health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit as described in *GASB Statement No. 12*. A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by State statute. The 2006 local government employer contribution rate was 13.70 percent of covered payroll; 4.00 percent of covered payroll was the portion that was used to fund health care.

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NOTE 8 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – (CONTINUED)

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2005, include a rate of return on investments of 6.50 percent, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4.00 percent compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .50 percent and 6.30 percent based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase between .50 and 6.00 percent annually for the next nine years and 4.00 percent annually after ten years.

All investments are carried at market. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25 percent of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually.

The number of active contributing participants as of December 31, 2006, in the traditional and combined plans was 369,214. Actual employer contributions for 2006 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$4,109. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts are the same. OPERS's net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2005, (the latest information available) were \$11.1 billion. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$31.3 billion and \$20.2 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004, the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. The HCPP restructures OPERS' health care coverage to improve the financial solvency of the fund in response to increasing health care costs.

NOTE 9 - GRANTS

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the Township are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

NOTE 10 – CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENT

As of December 31, 2006, the Township entered into a contract with 7LC Construction, LLC for the Township Road 220 Improvement project in the amount of \$138,550. The project will begin in 2007.

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Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Green Creek Township
Sandusky County
4335 Limerick Road
Clyde, Ohio 43410-2062

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Green Creek Township, Sandusky County (the Township) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 19, 2007, where we noted the Township prepared its financial statements on the modified cash basis. We also noted the Township uses the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) to process its financial transactions. *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the Auditor of State's independence to audit the Township. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Township's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We did note a certain noncompliance matter that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated April 19, 2007.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management and Board Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

April 19, 2007



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Auditor of State

GREEN CREEK TOWNSHIP

SANDUSKY COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
MAY 10, 2007**