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HURON TOWNSHIP
ERIE COUNTY

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Huron Township
Erie County
1820 Bogart Road
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To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Huron Township
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1820 Bogart Road
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Huron Township, Erie County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits 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 audits 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Township has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

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Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Township's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Township does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require townships to reformat their statements. The Township has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of Huron Township, Erie County, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, during 2008, the Township changed its financial statement presentation to conform to presentation methods the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

The Township has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 30, 2010, 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 audits.



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April 30, 2010

**HURON TOWNSHIP
ERIE COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>				Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Fiduciary Fund</u>	
Cash Receipts:					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$1,400,595	\$626,615		\$22,889	\$2,050,099
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	110,876	23,145			134,021
Intergovernmental	291,516	226,438		4,507	522,461
Special Assessments		15,219			15,219
Earnings on Investments	26,815	347			27,162
Miscellaneous	3,326	900			4,226
Total Cash Receipts	<u>1,833,128</u>	<u>892,664</u>		<u>27,396</u>	<u>2,753,188</u>
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:					
General Government	383,263				383,263
Public Safety	152,589	446,357			598,946
Public Works	17,410	205,311	\$859,532		1,082,253
Health		48,835			48,835
Conservation - Recreation	38,461				38,461
Other				27,405	27,405
Capital Outlay		156,256	53,770		210,026
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>591,723</u>	<u>856,759</u>	<u>913,302</u>	<u>27,405</u>	<u>2,389,189</u>
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	<u>1,241,405</u>	<u>35,905</u>	<u>(913,302)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>363,999</u>
Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):					
Transfers-In			1,100,000		1,100,000
Transfers-Out	(1,100,000)				(1,100,000)
Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)	<u>(1,100,000)</u>		<u>1,100,000</u>		
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over / (Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	141,405	35,905	186,698	(9)	363,999
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>1,888,549</u>	<u>735,044</u>	<u>2,035,468</u>	<u>\$9</u>	<u>4,659,070</u>
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u><u>\$2,029,954</u></u>	<u><u>\$770,949</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,222,166</u></u>		<u><u>\$5,023,069</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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ERIE COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>				Totals (Memorandum Only)
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Fiduciary Fund</u>	
Cash Receipts:					
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$1,359,889	\$601,122		\$21,972	\$1,982,983
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	168,372	16,200			184,572
Intergovernmental	208,879	213,343		3,950	426,172
Special Assessments		14,362			14,362
Earnings on Investments	105,867	2,813			108,680
Miscellaneous	3,894	1,055			4,949
Total Cash Receipts	<u>1,846,901</u>	<u>848,895</u>		<u>25,922</u>	<u>2,721,718</u>
Cash Disbursements:					
Current:					
General Government	405,848				405,848
Public Safety	160,840	459,158			619,998
Public Works	22,372	207,025			229,397
Health		51,319			51,319
Conservation - Recreation	28,463				28,463
Other				25,913	25,913
Capital Outlay		30,597	\$509,276		539,873
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>617,523</u>	<u>748,099</u>	<u>509,276</u>	<u>25,913</u>	<u>1,900,811</u>
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	<u>1,229,378</u>	<u>100,796</u>	<u>(509,276)</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>820,907</u>
Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):					
Transfers-In			1,100,000		1,100,000
Transfers-Out	(1,100,000)				(1,100,000)
Other Financing Uses	(770)				(770)
Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)	<u>(1,100,770)</u>		<u>1,100,000</u>		<u>(770)</u>
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	128,608	100,796	590,724	9	820,137
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	1,759,941	634,248	1,444,744		3,838,933
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u><u>\$1,888,549</u></u>	<u><u>\$735,044</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,035,468</u></u>	<u><u>\$9</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,659,070</u></u>
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	<u><u>\$553</u></u>				<u><u>\$553</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**HURON TOWNSHIP
ERIE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of Huron Township, Erie County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance, and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with the City of Huron to provide fire protection and ambulance services. Police protection is provided by the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

The Township participates in one jointly governed organization and one public entity risk pool. Notes 7 and 8 to the financial statements provides additional information for these entities. These organizations are:

Jointly Governed Organization:

The Huron Area Joint Recreation District

Public Entity Risk Pool:

The Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA)

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

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Township recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

C. Deposits and Investments

The Township's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Township values certificates of deposit at cost. The investment in STAR Ohio is recorded at share values reported by the State Treasurer.

D. Fund Accounting

The Township uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Township classifies its funds into the following types:

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

1. General Fund

The General Fund reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Fire District Fund – This fund receives the proceeds from property tax levies that are expended for providing and maintaining fire protection services within the Township.

3. Capital Project Funds

These funds account for receipts restricted to acquiring or constructing major capital projects. The Township had the following significant Capital Project Funds:

Road Improvement Capital Project Fund- Money is transferred into this fund for road improvements.

Fire Equipment Capital Project Fund- Money is transferred into this fund for purchase of fire equipment.

4. Fiduciary Fund

Fiduciary funds include private purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds account for assets held under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments which are not available to support the Township's own programs. The Township has no trust funds.

Agency funds are purely custodial in nature and are used to hold resources for individuals, organizations or other governments. The Township disburses these funds as directed by the individual, organization or other government. The Township's agency fund accounts for proceeds and subsequent disbursement of tax levy monies to the Huron Public Library.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund (except certain agency funds) be budgeted annually.

**HURON TOWNSHIP
ERIE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2009 and 2008 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Township records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. CHANGES IN FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

In 2007, the Township reported financial statements on the cash basis of accounting comparable to the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 34. For 2008, the Township reported on a regulatory basis. The Township no longer presents entity wide financial statements. The fund financial statements now present a column for each fund type, rather than a separate column for each major fund with nonmajor funds aggregated and presented in a single column.

**HURON TOWNSHIP
ERIE COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

3. EQUITY IN POOLED DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Township maintains a deposit and investments pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits and investments at December 31 was as follows:

	2009	2008
Demand deposits	\$51,938	\$31,100
Certificates of deposit	2,013,816	
Savings account	551,224	
Total deposits	2,616,978	31,100
STAR Ohio	2,406,091	4,627,970
Total deposits and investments	\$5,023,069	\$4,659,070

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Township.

Investments: Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

4. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2009 and 2008 follows:

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$1,198,370	\$1,833,128	\$634,758
Special Revenue	778,083	892,664	114,581
Capital Projects	1,100,000	1,100,000	
Total	\$3,076,453	\$3,825,792	\$749,339

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$2,667,269	\$1,691,723	\$975,546
Special Revenue	1,301,233	856,759	444,474
Capital Projects	1,475,000	913,302	561,698
Total	\$5,443,502	\$3,461,784	\$1,981,718

**HURON TOWNSHIP
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

4. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$1,375,940	\$1,846,901	\$470,961
Special Revenue	818,739	848,895	30,156
Capital Projects	1,065,400	1,100,000	34,600
Total	\$3,260,079	\$3,795,796	\$535,717

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$3,133,068	\$1,718,846	\$1,414,222
Special Revenue	1,394,953	748,099	646,854
Capital Projects	1,450,000	509,276	940,724
Total	\$5,978,021	\$2,976,221	\$3,001,800

5. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Township.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Township.

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Township's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2009 and 2008, OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2009.

**HURON TOWNSHIP
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Township belongs to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio townships. OTARMA provides property and casualty coverage for its members. American Risk Pooling Consultants, Inc. (ARPCO), a division of York Insurance Services Group, Inc. (York), functions as the administrator of OTARMA and provides underwriting, claims, loss control, risk management, and reinsurance services for OTARMA. OTARMA is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP), which is also administered by ARPCO. Member governments pay annual contributions to fund OTARMA. OTARMA pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty and Property Coverage

APEEP provides OTARMA with an excess risk-sharing program. Under this arrangement, OTARMA retains insured risks up to an amount specified in the contracts. At December 31, 2008, OTARMA retained \$350,000 for casualty claims and \$100,000 for property claims.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreement does not discharge OTARMA's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective government.

Property and casualty settlements did not exceed insurance coverage for the past three fiscal years.

Financial Position

OTARMA's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2008 and 2007 (the latest information available):

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Assets	\$40,737,740	\$43,210,703
Liabilities	<u>(12,981,818)</u>	<u>(13,357,837)</u>
Net Assets	<u>\$27,755,922</u>	<u>\$29,852,866</u>

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, liabilities above include approximately \$12.1 and \$12.5 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets and retained earnings above also include approximately \$10.9 and \$11.6 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 950 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. The Township's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$15,000.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008
(Continued)**

7. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Based on discussions with OTARMA, the expected rates OTARMA charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to OTARMA for each year of membership.

<u>Contributions to OTARMA</u>	
2008	15,492
2009	17,013

After completing one year of membership, members may withdraw on each anniversary of the date they joined OTARMA provided they provide written notice to OTARMA 60 days in advance of the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's budgetary contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to the pool. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

8. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

The Huron Area Joint Recreation District (District) is a jointly governed organization between Huron Township, the Huron City School District, and the City of Huron. The Township appoints three members to the nine-member commission. In 2009 and 2008, respectively, the Township contributed \$38,461 and \$28,463 to the District. Each entity's control is limited to its representation on the governing board. The District's continued existence is not dependent on the Township's continued participation. The District is not accumulating significant financial resources or experiencing fiscal stress that would cause additional financial benefit or burden on the Township. Financial information on the District can be obtained from Huron City School District, 712 Cleveland Road East, Huron, Ohio, 44839.

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

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of Huron Township, Erie County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated April 30, 2010, wherein we noted the Township began preparing its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 audits 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 audits, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining 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 *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

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Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, 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 audits 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 intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, the Board of Trustees, and others within the Township. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

April 30, 2010



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HURON TOWNSHIP

ERIE 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
JUNE 8, 2010