

Regular Audit

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS





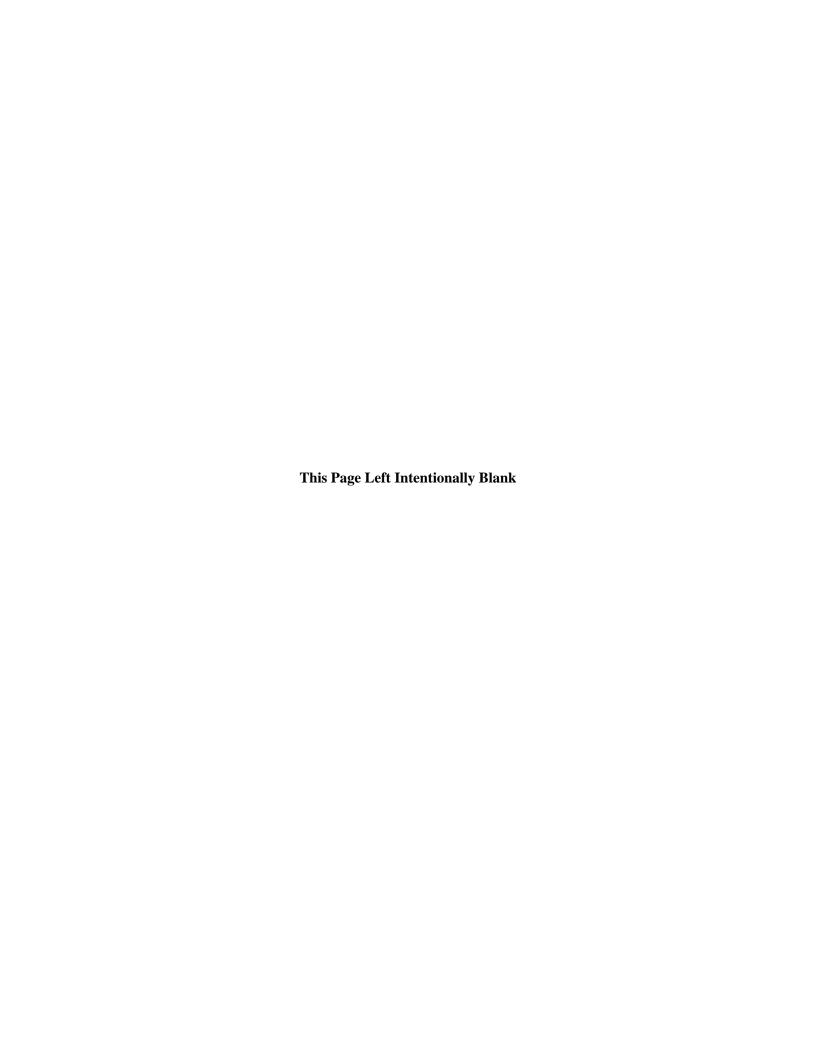
Board of Trustees Green Township 21092 U.S. 52 Stout, OH 45684

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of Green Township, Adam County, prepared by J.L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1 through December 31, 2014. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Green Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

November 3, 2015



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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Trustees Green Township, Adams County 21092 U.S. 52 Stout, Ohio 45684

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of Green Township, Adams County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statements misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal controls relevant to the Township's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinion.



Board of Trustees Green Township, Adams County Independent Auditor's Report

#### Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 2 of the financial statements, the Township prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy these requirements.

Although the effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory accounting basis and GAAP are not reasonably determinable, we presume they are material.

Though the Township does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

#### Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, or changes in financial position for the year then ended.

#### Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Green Township, Adams County as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permits, described in Note 2.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 3, 2015 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. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

### J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC. Chillicothe, Ohio

August 3, 2015

# Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Cash Balances All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

General Revenue	Totals
Cash Receipts:	
Property and Other Local Taxes \$8,087 \$59,441	\$67,528
Intergovernmental 9,233 91,582	100,815
Licenses, Permits, and Fees 0 9,130	9,130
Earnings on Investments 265 0	265
Other Revenue         5,000         17	5,017
Total Cash Receipts 22,585 160,170	182,755
Cash Disbursements:	
Current:	
General Government 26,945 13,457	40,402
Public Safety 0 33,238	33,238
Public Works 0 70,715	70,715
Health 10,568 24,476	35,044
Capital Outlay 0 30,000	30,000
Debt Service:	0.701
Principal Retirement 0 8,731	8,731
Interest and Fiscal Charges 0 411	411
Total Cash Disbursements 37,513 181,028	218,541
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements (14,928) (20,858)	(35,786)
Other Financing Receipts:	
Other Financing Receipts 19,981 284	20,265
Proceeds of Loans 0 30,000	30,000
Total Other Financing Receipts 19,981 30,284	50,265
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Receipts	
Over (Under) Expenditures 5,053 9,426	14,479
Fund Cash Balances, January 1 73,538 97,485	171,023
Restricted 0 106,911	106,911
Assigned 78,591 0	78,591
Fund Cash Balances, December 31         \$78,591         \$106,911	\$185,502

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Combined Statement of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements, and Changes in Fund Cash Balances All Governmental Fund Types For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

		Special	
	General	Special Revenue	Totals
Cash Receipts:	General	Revenue	Totals
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$6,910	\$60,222	\$67,132
Intergovernmental	11,600	110,478	122,078
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	0	2,105	2,105
Earnings on Investments	188	257	445
Other Revenue	5,000	1,105	6,105
Total Cash Receipts	23,698	174,167	197,865
Cash Disbursements:			
Current:			
General Government	25,149	11,553	36,702
Public Safety	0	25,197	25,197
Public Works	0	64,505	64,505
Health	5,363	31,690	37,053
Debt Service:			
Principal Retirement	0	9,609	9,609
Interest and Fiscal Charges	0	877	877
Total Cash Disbursements	30,512	143,431	173,943
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(6,814)	30,736	23,922
Other Financing Receipts:			
Other Financing Receipts	1,402	385	1,787
Sale of Fixed Assets	0	149	149
Total Other Financing Receipts	1,402	534	1,936
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Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Receipts Over (Under) Expenditures	(5,412)	31,270	25,858
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Fund Cash Balances, January 1	78,950	66,215	145,165
Restricted	0	97,485	97,485
Assigned	73,538	0	73,538
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$73,538	\$97,485	\$171,023

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Green Township, Adams 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 Township provides general government services, maintenance of Township roads and bridges, maintenance of cemeteries, and fire protection.

The Township participates in the Ohio Township Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) which is an insurance risk-sharing pool available to Ohio Townships. Note 7 provides additional information regarding this entity.

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

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The Township's financial statements follow the basis of accounting permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D), which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. This method differs from generally accepted accounting principles because receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when a payment is made 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 financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 (D) permit.

#### 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:

<u>General Fund</u>: The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources, except those required by law or contracted to be restricted.

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

Gasoline Tax Fund – This fund is comprised of taxes on the sale of gasoline which is distributed to the Township based upon road mileage determined by the state, and used for the repair and maintenance of Township roads.

Fire District Fund – This fund receives property tax money to provide fire protection for Township residents.

Cemetery Fund – This fund receives property tax money to provide upkeep and maintenance to the cemeteries.

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - (continued)

#### **Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each Township fund be budgeted annually.

<u>Appropriations</u>: 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 Adams County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Appropriations lapse at year-end.

<u>Estimated Resources</u>: Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The Adams County Budget Commission must also certify estimated resources.

<u>Encumbrances</u>: The Ohio Revised Code requires the Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are cancelled and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2014 and 2013 budgetary activity appears in Note 4.

#### Fund Balances

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Township must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable</u>: The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

<u>Restricted</u>: Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

<u>Committed:</u> Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The Township must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

<u>Assigned:</u> Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted or committed*. Governmental funds other than the General Fund report all fund balances as assigned unless they are restricted or committed. In the General Fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by Township Trustees or a Township official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

<u>Unassigned:</u> Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The Township applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - (continued)

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

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

#### Accumulated Leave

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

#### Note 3 – Cash and Investments

The Township maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The Township had no investments at year end. The carrying amount of cash at year end was as follows:

	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Demand Deposits	\$185,502	\$171,023
	\$185,502	\$171,023

*Deposits:* Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation and collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

#### Note 4 - Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The Township's budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013 was as follows:

2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Receipts		
Fund Type	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
General	\$89,654	\$42,566	(\$47,088)
Special Revenue	265,236	190,454	(74,782)
Total	\$354,890	\$233,020	(\$121,870)

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 4 – Budgetary Basis of Accounting - (continued)

2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Expenditures

Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$89,654	\$37,513	\$52,141
Special Revenue	265,236	181,029	84,207
Total	\$354,890	\$218,541	\$136,348

#### 2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

#### Receipts

Fund Type	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
General	\$97,645	\$25,100	(\$72,545)
Special Revenue	240,272	174,701	(65,571)
Total	\$337,917	\$199,801	(\$138,116)

#### 2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Expenditures

Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$97,645	\$30,512	\$67,133
Special Revenue	240,272	143,431	96,841
Total	\$337,917	\$173,943	\$163,974

#### Note 5 – Property Taxes

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 proceeding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as intergovernmental receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semi-annual payments, the first half is due December 31, and the second half payment is due the following June 20.

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

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

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 6 – Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2014 was as follows:

Total

Description of Issue	Issue Date	Interest Rate	Principal Balance 12-31-13	Issued in 2014	Retired In 2014	Principal Balance 12-31-14
General Obligation Note						
Tractor	2004	5.03%	\$3,826	\$0	\$3,826	\$0
Tractor and Brush Cutter	2011	4.69%	4,905	0	4,905	0
Chip and Seal	2014	3.50%	0	30,000	0	30,000
	Total		\$8,731	\$30,000	\$8,731	\$30,000
Debt outstanding at December	er 31, 2013 v	was as follows	:			
Description of Issue	Issue Date	Interest Rate	Principal Balance 12-31-12	Issued in 2013	Retired In 2013	Principal Balance 12-31-13
General Obligation Note	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	- 0	<b>4</b>		<b></b>	40.004
Tractor	2004	5.03%	\$7,475	\$0	\$3,649	\$3,826
Tractor and Brush Cutter	2011	4.69%	9,590	0	4,685	4,905
Fire Truck	2011	4.09%	1,275	0	1,275	0

In 2004, the Township issued a general obligation note for a tractor. The original amount of this note was \$31,032 and the principal and interest is paid from the Gasoline Tax Fund.

\$18,340

\$0

\$9,609

\$8,731

The Township issued a general obligation note to finance the purchase of a tractor and brush cutter in April of 2011. The original note was for \$14,065. The Township is paying this note from the Gasoline Tax Fund.

During February of fiscal year 2011, the Township also issued a general obligation note to assist in the purchase of a fire truck. The original note is for \$2,500 and is being paid from the Fire District Fund.

In June 2014, the Township entered into a loan for chip and seal in the amount of \$30,000. The Township is paying this loan from the Gasoline Tax Fund.

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 6 – Debt- (continued)

The general obligation notes are supported by the full faith and credit of the Township and are payable from unvoted property tax receipts to the extent that other resources are not available to meet annual principal and interest payments.

Year Ended December 31:	Chip and Seal			
	Principal	Interest	Total	
2015	\$9,659	\$1,050	\$10,709	
2016	9,995	714	10,709	
2017	10,346	362	10,708	
Total	\$30,000	\$2,126	\$32,126	

#### Note 7 – 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. The Township contracted with 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. OTARMA is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP.) 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 Coverage

OTARMA retains casualty risk up to \$350,000 per occurrence, including loss adjustment expenses. Claims exceeding \$350,000 are reinsured with APEEP in an amount not to exceed \$2,650,000 for each claim and \$10,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect up to \$13,000,000 in additional coverage with the General Reinsurance Corporation, through contracts with OTARMA.

If losses exhaust OTARMA's retained earnings, APEEP provides excess of funds available coverage up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to the annual aggregate limit of \$10,000,000.

#### Property Coverage

The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures specific losses exceeding \$500,000 up to \$600 million per occurrence. APEEP reinsures members for specific losses exceeding \$150,000 up to \$500,000 per occurrence, subject to an annual aggregate loss payment. Travelers provide property aggregate stop loss coverage to APEEP based upon the combined Members' Total Insurable Value (TIV). If the stop loss is reached by payment of OTARMA's retained losses, Travelers will then reinsure property specific losses in excess of the retention up to their \$600,000,000 per occurrence limit. Additionally, APEEP provides an additional aggregate for the \$50,000 excess \$100,000 layer, with the aggregate limit tied to TIV, for the insurance coverage's to OTARMA.

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

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

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 7 – Risk Management - (continued)

#### **Financial Position**

OTARMA's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and net position at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

Combined Coverage	2014	2013
Assets	\$35,970,263	\$34,954,286
Liabilities	(8,912,432)	(8,486,363)
Retained Earnings	\$27,057,831	\$26,467,923

The Pool's membership increased from 948 members in 2013 to 957 members in 2014.

The Pool uses reinsurance and excess risk-sharing arrangements to reduce its exposure to loss. These agreements permit recovery of a portion of its claims from reinsurers and a risk-sharing pool; however, they do not discharge the Pool's primary liability for such payments. The Pool is a member of American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP), which is also administered by York Risk Pooling Services, Inc. (YORK). APEEP provides the Pool with an excess risk-sharing program. Under this arrangement, the Pool retains insured risks up to an amount specified in the contracts. (At December 31, 2014 the Pool retained \$350,000 for casualty claims and \$250,000 for property claims). The Board of Directors and YORK periodically review the financial strength of the Pool and other market conditions to determine the appropriate level of risk the Pool will retain.

#### Note 8 – Retirement Systems

The Township's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including post-retirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2014 and 2013, members contributed 10% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 14% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2014.

#### Note 9 – Fund Cash Balances

As of December 31, 2014, fund balances are composed of the following:

	Special		
	General	Revenue	Total
Restricted:			
Fire Operations	\$0	\$53,940	\$53,940
Cemetery	0	7,829	7,829
Road & Bridge Maintenance	0	45,142	45,142
Assigned:			
Future Appropriations	78,591	0	78,591
Total	\$78,591	\$106,911	\$185,502

#### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

#### Note 8 – Fund Cash Balances- (continued)

As of December 31, 2013, fund balances are composed of the following:

	General	Special Revenue	Total
Restricted:			
Fire Operations	\$0	\$48,509	\$48,509
Cemetery	0	5,136	5,136
Road & Bridge Maintenance	0	43,840	43,840
Assigned:			
Future Appropriations	73,538	0	73,538
Total	\$73,538	\$97,485	\$169,087



### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over

Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Required By Government Auditing Standards

Board of Trustees Green Township, Adams County 21092 U. S. 52 Stout, Ohio 45684

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Green Township, Adams County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 3, 2015, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider a material weakness.

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 a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Township's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider finding 2014-001 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be a material weakness.



Board of Trustees Green Township, Adams County Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required By *Government Auditing Standards* 

#### **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, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Township's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

J. L. Uhrig and Associates, Inc.

J. L. UHRIG AND ASSOCIATES, INC. Chillicothe, Ohio

August 3, 2015

## GREEN TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY Schedule of Findings For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

### FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

Finding Number 2014-001

#### Financial Statement Adjustments - Material Weakness

Accurate financial reporting is an important part of the Township's overall purpose. Financial reporting requires internal controls to be in place to help ensure accuracy of reporting.

The Township had numerous adjustments and reclassifications due to errors noted in the receipting and disbursing process. The following areas had audit adjustments and reclassifications made to the Township's financial statements:

- Intergovernmental Revenue
- Property and Other Local Taxes
- Other Financing Sources
- Debt Proceeds
- Capital Outlay
- Public Safety
- Public Works
- Principal & Interest

The audited financial statements and Township records have been adjusted for the misstatements above.

The aforementioned errors were the result of lack of internal controls of financial reporting.

The presentation of materially incorrect financial statements is the responsibility of management. Lack of a properly presented financial statements review process could inhibit its financial accountability to both the public and the Trustees, which they may use to facilitate Township decisions.

We recommend the Township implement internal control procedures that enable management to identify, prevent, detect and correct potential misstatements in the financial statements.

#### Officials Response

We did not receive a response from Township Officials.

#### GREEN TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014 and 2013

Finding Number	Description	Status	Comments	
	Government Auditing Standards:			
2012-01	ORC Section 5705.41(D)	Corrected	N/A	
2012-02	Financial Statement Adjustments	Not Corrected	Reissued as finding 2014-001	



#### **GREEN TOWNSHIP**

#### **ADAMS 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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED NOVEMBER 17, 2015