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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

New Straitsville Public Library Perry County 102 East Main Street P.O. Box 8 New Straitsville, Ohio 43766

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the New Straitsville Public Library, Perry County, Ohio (the Library), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. The financial statement is the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement 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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Library prepares its financial statement on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the cash balance of the New Straitsville Public Library, Perry County, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 3, 2004, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under Section 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

May 3, 2004

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

	2003		 2002	
Cash Receipts:				
Other Government Grants-In-Aid	\$	120,256	\$ 121,495	
Patron Fines and Fees		1,276	769	
Earnings on Investments		473	289	
Contributions, Gifts and Donations		365	216	
Miscellaneous Receipts		122	 317	
Total Cash Receipts		122,492	 123,086	
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
Salaries and Benefits		46,039	39,292	
Purchased and Contracted Services		15,412	19,109	
Library Materials and Information		20,959	11,450	
Supplies		2,017	3,283	
Other		827	5,393	
Capital Outlay		12,640	 60,862	
Total Cash Disbursements		97,894	 139,389	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		24,598	(16,303)	
Cash Balance, January 1		41,771	 58,074	
Cash Balance, December 31	\$	66,369	\$ 41,771	

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The New Straitsville Public Library, Perry County (the Library), is a school district free public library established by resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Southern Local School District, Perry County, to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio and by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 3375.33 through 3375.41. The Library is directed by an appointed seven-member Board of Trustees. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

The Library's management believes this financial statement presents all activities for which the Library is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

This financial statement follows the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

This statement includes adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

The Clerk/Treasurer invests all available funds of the Library in an interest-bearing checking account and, during 2002, a certificate of deposit that was valued at cost.

D. Budgetary Process

The Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end. Budgetary expenditures that is, disbursements and encumbrances may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function, and object level of control.

A summary of 2003 and 2002 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

E. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

F. 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 basis of accounting the Library uses.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 follows:

	2003	2002	
Demand deposits	\$ 66,269	\$	14,739
Petty cash	100		30
Certificates of deposit			27,002
Total deposits	\$ 66,369	\$	41,771

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2003 and 2002 follows:

Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures						
	Ар	oropriation	Bı	udgetary		
Year	Ā	Authority	Expenditures		Variance	
2003	\$	173,844	\$	97,894	\$	75,950
2002		189,636		139,389		50,247

4. GRANTS-IN-AID

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The LLGSF is allocated to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on of any additional revenues the Library receives.

5. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Library's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement 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 2003 and 2002, members of PERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all employer contributions required through December 31, 2003.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Continued)

6. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability; Directors and Officers liability; and, ٠
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- Employee Dishonesty. •

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

New Straitsville Public Library Perry County 102 East Main Street P.O. Box 8 New Straitsville, Ohio 43766

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of the New Straitsville Public Library, Perry County, Ohio (the Library), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated May 3, 2004. 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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Library's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statement being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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Betty Montgomery

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May 3, 2004



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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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED JUNE 10, 2004