Financial Statements (Audited)

For The Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

**DENNIS W. DICKE, FISCAL OFFICER** 



Board of Trustees German Township 123 North Main Street New Bremen, Ohio 45869

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of German Township, Auglaize County, prepared by Julian & Grube, Inc. for the audit period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005. 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.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State's Office (AOS). Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the 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. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the AOS permits.

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. German Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

BETTY MONTGOMERY Auditor of State

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April 24, 2006



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#### **Independent Accountants' Report**

Board of Trustees German Township 123 North Main Street New Bremen, OH 45869

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of German Township, Auglaize County, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of German Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 2, German 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.

Revisions to GAAP would require German Township to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2005 and 2004, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e. major) funds separately for 2005 and 2004. While German Township does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. German Township has elected not to reformat its statements. Since German Township does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, 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, 2005 and 2004 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of German Township as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, 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 cash fund balances of German Township, Auglaize County, Ohio as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements and combined budgeted and actual receipts and budgeted and actual disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 2.

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The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires German Township to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. German 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 March 1, 2006, on our consideration of German 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.

Julian & Grube, Inc.

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March 1, 2006

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FUND BALANCES ALL FUND TYPES DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

Cash and Cash Equivalents		 2004	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	524,656	\$ 434,725
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	524,656	\$ 434,725
Cash Fund Balances			
Governmental Fund Types: General Special Revenue	\$	82,830 441,826	\$ 102,253 332,472
Total Governmental Fund Types		524,656	 434,725
Total Fund Balances	\$	524,656	\$ 434,725

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Governmental Fund Types					
	General			Special Revenue	(Me	Total morandum Only)
Cash receipts:						
Local taxes	\$	33,015	\$	48,416	\$	81,431
Intergovernmental		56,238		87,275		143,513
Special assessments		-		1,207		1,207
Interest		8,690		3,547		12,237
Miscellaneous		724		500		1,224
Total cash receipts		98,667		140,945		239,612
Cash disbursements:						
Current:						
General government		51,517		-		51,517
Public safety		36,528		_		36,528
Public works		_		31,591		31,591
Health		3,229		_		3,229
Capital outlay		2,952		_		2,952
Debt service:						
Principal retirement		22,759		-		22,759
Interest and fiscal charges		1,105		-		1,105
Total cash disbursements		118,090		31,591		149,681
Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements		(19,423)		109,354		89,931
Cash fund balances, January 1, 2005		102,253		332,472		434,725
Cash fund balances, December 31, 2005	\$	82,830	\$	441,826	\$	524,656

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND ENCUMBRANCES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

			I	Receipts									Disbu	rsements					
Fund Types	County Certified encumbered Cash	 Budget		Total Estimated Resources	etual 2005 Receipts	F	Variance avorable afavorable)	C	rior Year Carryover propriations	A	2005 ppropriations	 Total		ctual 2005	Out	mbrances standing 2/31/05	 Total	F	Variance avorable nfavorable)
Governmental:																			
General	\$ 102,253	\$ 65,821	\$	168,074	\$ 98,667	\$	32,846	\$	-	\$	168,074	\$ 168,074	\$	118,090	\$	-	\$ 118,090	\$	49,984
Special Revenue	 332,472	 126,674		459,146	 140,945		14,271		-		459,146	 459,146		31,591		-	 31,591		427,555
Total																			
(Memorandum Only)	\$ 434,725	\$ 192,495	\$	627,220	\$ 239,612	\$	47,117	\$	-	\$	627,220	\$ 627,220	\$	149,681	\$	-	\$ 149,681	\$	477,539

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Governmental Fund Types					
	•		Special Revenue	(Me	Total morandum Only)	
Cash receipts:						
Local taxes	\$	34,713	\$	48,160	\$	82,873
Intergovernmental		23,166		90,351		113,517
Special assessments		_		1,205		1,205
Interest		4,497		1,614		6,111
Miscellaneous		518		500		1,018
Total cash receipts		62,894		141,830		204,724
Cash disbursements:						
Current:						
General government		55,732		-		55,732
Public safety		30,428		3,500		33,928
Public works		-		72,920		72,920
Health		1,613		-		1,613
Capital outlay		1,294		-		1,294
Debt service:						
Principal retirement		7,776		13,845		21,621
Interest and fiscal charges		2,243		-		2,243
Total cash disbursements		99,086		90,265		189,351
Total cash receipts over/(under) cash disbursements		(36,192)		51,565		15,373
Cash fund balances, January 1, 2004		138,445		280,907		419,352
Cash fund balances, December 31, 2004	\$	102,253	\$	332,472	\$	434,725

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND ENCUMBRANCES COMPARED WITH EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

			Receipts								Disbu	rsements					
Fund Types	County Certified encumbered Cash	 Budget	Total Estimated Resources	ctual 2004 Receipts	F	/ariance avorable nfavorable)	Prior Year Carryover propriations	= -	2004 copriations	 Total		ctual 2004 bursements	Ou	cumbrances utstanding 12/31/04	 Total	1	Variance Favorable nfavorable)
Governmental:																	
General	\$ 138,445	\$ 64,037	\$ 202,482	\$ 62,894	\$	(1,143)	\$ -		\$ 202,482	\$ 202,482	\$	99,086	\$	-	\$ 99,086	\$	103,396
Special Revenue	 280,907	 129,831	 410,738	 141,830		11,999	 -		410,738	 410,738		90,265		-	 90,265		320,473
Total																	
(Memorandum Only)	\$ 419,352	\$ 193,868	\$ 613,220	\$ 204,724	\$	10,856	\$ -		\$ 613,220	\$ 613,220	\$	189,351	\$	-	\$ 189,351	\$	423,869

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### **NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY**

German Township (the "Township") is a body politic and corporate established for the purpose of exercising 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 provides general governmental services, including road maintenance and cemetery maintenance. The Township contracts with the New Bremen Emergency Squad, Inc. to provide emergency medical services. The Township also contracts with the Village of New Bremen to provide fire protection services. The Township is responsible for 25% of the costs of the Village of New Bremen's fire department.

Management believes the financial statements included in this report represent all of the funds of the Township over which the Township is financially accountable.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The most significant of the Township's accounting policies are described below.

#### A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION - FUND ACCOUNTING

The accounts of the Township are maintained on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. The following fund types are used by the Township.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

#### General Fund

The general fund is used to account for all activities of the Township not required to be included 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.

#### Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### **NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

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

#### B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements follow 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. 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 prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

#### C. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriation resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution are subject to amendment throughout the year with the legal restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources, as certified. All funds are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The primary level of budgetary control is at the item level within each department, within each fund. Any budgetary modifications at this level may only be made by resolution of the Township's Board of Trustees.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### Estimated Resources:

The County Budget Commission determines if the budget substantiates a need to levy the full amount of authorized property tax rates and reviews receipt estimates. The County Budget Commission certifies its actions to the Township by September 1. As part of this certification, the Township receives the official certificate of estimated resources, which states the projected receipts of each fund. On or about January 1, the certificate is amended to include fund balances at December 31 of the preceding year. Further amendments may be made during the year if the Township determines that receipts collected will be greater than or less than the prior estimates and the Budget Commission find the revised estimates to be reasonable. Prior to December 31, the Township must revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures from a fund during the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the amount stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriation measure.

#### Appropriations:

A temporary appropriation measure to control cash disbursements may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January to March 31. An annual appropriation measure must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 to December 31. The appropriations measure may be amended or supplemented during the year as new information becomes available. Appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. There were no appropriation amendments adopted in 2005 and one appropriation amendment adopted in 2004.

#### Encumbrances:

As part of the formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation.

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be reappropriated. There were no outstanding encumbrances at December 31, 2005 and 2004.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

### **NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)**

#### D. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For reporting purposes, the Township considers "Cash and Cash Equivalents" to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and all investments held by the Township with a maturity date less than or equal to three months from the date of purchase. Interest earned on investments held by the Township is credited to its respective funds. Interest income earned and received by the Township totaled \$12,237 and \$6,111 for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

## E. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Capital assets are not capitalized in any of the Township's funds. Instead, capital acquisition and construction costs are reflected as expenditures in the fund in the year expended. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs are also expended, along with improvements. Depreciation is not recorded.

#### F. INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES

Intergovernmental revenues, such as entitlements and grants awarded on a non-reimbursable basis are recorded when received in accordance with the Township's cash basis method of accounting.

#### G. TOTAL COLUMNS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Total (Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Interfund-type eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

## NOTE 3 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Township maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 were as follows:

	2005	2004
Demand deposits Certificates of deposit	\$ 368,051 40,000	\$ 246,704 40,000
Total deposits	408,051	286,704
Investments: STAR Ohio	116,605	148,021
Total deposits and investments	\$ 524,656	\$ 434,725

**Deposits**: Deposits are either (1) insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or (2) 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.

#### **NOTE 4 - PROPERTY TAX**

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the County. 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. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually to the County. 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 of the following year. Under certain circumstances, state statute permits later payment dates to be established.

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.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### **NOTE 5 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS**

At December 31, 2005 and 2004, debt obligations consisted of the following:

Description	December 31, 2005	December 31, 2004
2000 Fire Truck Note, due in semi-annual installments of \$11,932 through 2005, bearing interest at 5.50%	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 22,759</u>
Transactions for the year ended December 31, 2004 are	summarized as follows	s:

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	Balance at			Balance at
Description	<u>December 31, 2004</u>	Proceeds	<u>Payments</u>	<u>December 31, 2005</u>
2000 Fire Truck Note	\$ 22,759	\$ -	\$ (22,759)	\$ -

Transactions for the year ended December 31, 2002 are summarized as follows:

	Balance at			Balance at
<u>Description</u>	<u>December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Proceeds</u>	<b>Payments</b>	<u>December 31, 2004</u>
2000 Fire Truck Note	\$ 44,380	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ (21,621)	\$ 22,759

The Townships had no outstanding debt obligations at December 31, 2005.

### **NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Township's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. This 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 2005 and 2004, members of OPERS contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2005 and 2004.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

#### **NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

#### **Risk Pool Membership**

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 insurance 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 judgements, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

#### Casualty Coverage

OTARMA retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per claim. Claims exceeding \$250,000 are reinsured with APEEP up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$5,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage, from \$2,000,000 to \$10,000,000, from the General Reinsurance Corporation.

If losses exhaust OTARMA's retained earnings, APEEP covers OTARMA losses up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000.

#### Property Coverage

OTARMA retains property risks including automobile physical damage up to \$100,000 on any specific loss. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures specific losses exceeding \$100,000. The Travelers Indemnity Company also provides aggregate excess coverage for property including automobile physical damage subject to an annual stop loss. When the stop loss is reached in any year, The Travelers Indemnity Company provides coverage in excess of \$10,000.

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 government.

#### Financial Position

OTARMA's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31, 2004 and 2003 which is the latest available data:

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004

## **NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT - (Continued)**

Casualty Coverage	2004	2003
Assets Liabilities	\$ 30,687,203 (13,640,962)	\$ 27,792,223 (11,791,300)
Retained earnings	\$ 17,046,241	\$ 16,000,923
Property Coverage	2004	2003
Assets Liabilities	\$ 7,799,073 (753,906)	\$ 6,791,060 (750,956)
Retained earnings	\$ 7,045,167	\$ 6,040,104

## **NOTE 8 - CONTINGENT LIABILITY**

## **LITIGATION**

The Township is currently not involved in litigation that the Township's legal counsel anticipates a loss.



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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards* 

Board of Trustees German Township 123 North Main Street New Bremen, OH 45869

We have audited the financial statements of German Township as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated March 1, 2006, wherein we noted German Township followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered German Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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 caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements 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. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to the management of German Township in a separate letter dated March 1, 2006.

Board of Trustees German Township, Auglaize County

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether German Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain matters that we reported to the management of German Township in a separate letter dated March 1, 2006.

This report is intended solely for the information and use by the Trustees and management of German Township and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Julian & Grube, Inc.

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March 1, 2006



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#### **GERMAN TOWNSHIP**

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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED MAY 4, 2006