LETART TOWNSHIP MEIGS COUNTY Agreed-Upon Procedures December 31, 2009 and 2008

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 23, 2010

Letart Township Meigs County 49916 Manuel Road Racine, OH 45771

To the Board of Trustees:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, with which the Board of Trustees and the management of **Letart Township**, **Meigs County**, **Ohio** (the Township) and the Auditor of State agreed, solely to assist the Board in evaluating receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances. Management is responsible for recording transactions; and management and the Board are responsible for complying with the compliance requirements. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

Cash and Investments

- 1. We tested the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2008 beginning fund balances recorded in the Cash Summary by Fund Report to the December 31, 2007 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2009 and 2008 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Reports. The amounts agreed. However, we did note the reconciliation contained "other adjusting factors" which could not be readily explained. These amounts were not significant, but should be investigated and cleared up. No other exceptions noted.

Cash and Investments (Continued)

- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2009 bank account balance with the Township's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2009 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five outstanding checks haphazardly from the December 31, 2009 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each check to the debit appearing in the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We traced the amounts and date written to the check register, to determine the checks were dated prior to December 31. We noted no exceptions.
- 6. We tested investments held at December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 to determine that they:
 - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
 - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2009 and one from 2008:
 - a. We traced the gross receipts from the Statement to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We determined whether the receipt was allocated to the proper funds as required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We determined whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Receipt Register Report to determine whether it included the proper number of tax receipts for 2009 and 2008:
 - a. Two personal property tax receipts
 - b. Two real estate tax receipts

We noted the Receipts Register Report included the proper number of tax settlement receipts for each year.

- 3. We selected five receipts from the County Auditor's Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2009 and five from 2008.
 - a. We compared the amount from the DTL to the amount recorded in the Receipt Register Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We determined whether these receipts were allocated to the proper funds. We found no exceptions.
 - c. We determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts (Continued)

Upon our attempt to trace receipts from the State Distribution Transactions Lists from 2009 and 2008 to amounts recorded in the Receipt Register Report, we found the following;

The Township was not reflected on the State Distribution Transaction Lists as receiving a warrant from the State of Ohio during the two year audit period. Upon discussion with representatives from both the State Office of Budget and Management and the Meigs County Auditor's Office, they confirmed the Township had not been issued a State warrant during either 2009 or 2008. We have determined that the Township should have received, at a minimum, warrants from the State of Ohio semi-annually for the distribution of Homestead and Rollback Tax. These warrants represent amounts still due to the Township. The Township Fiscal Officer is responsible for the collection and deposit of this money. This situation resulted in the loss of funds due to the Township. We recommend the Township's officials take the necessary steps to have the state issue these warrants as well as any others that may be deemed due the Township.

Debt

1. We inquired of management, and scanned the Receipt Register Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of bonded or note debt issued during 2009 or 2008 or outstanding as of December 31, 2009 or 2008. We noted no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2009 or 2008.

Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2009 and one payroll check for five employees from 2008 from the Employee Detail Adjustment Report and determined whether the following information in the employees' personnel files and minute record was consistent with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
 - a. Name
 - b. Authorized salary or pay rate
 - c. Department and fund to which the check should be charged.
 - d. Retirement system participation and payroll withholding.
 - e. Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding.
 - f. Any other deduction authorizations (deferred compensation, etc.)

We found no exceptions related to steps a. – f. above.

- 2. We tested the checks we selected in step 1, as follows:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary amount used in computing gross pay to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We determined whether the fund and account codes to which the check was posted was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files, minute record, or as required by statute. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We scanned the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2009 to determine whether remittances were timely paid, and that the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld during the final withholding period during 2009. We noted the following:

Payroll Cash Disbursements (Continued)

Withholding	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Withheld	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes	January 31, 2010	December 31, 2010	\$ 1,087.03	\$ 1087.03
State income taxes	January 15, 2010	December 31, 2009	\$ 336.86	\$ 336.86
OPERS retirement (withholding plus employee share)	January 30, 2010	December 31, 2009	\$ 1,683.14	\$ 1,683.14

4. For the pay periods ended October 31, 2009 and February 29, 2008, we compared documentation and the recomputation supporting the allocation of Board salaries to the General and Gasoline Tax Funds. We found no exceptions.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

- 1. We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2009 and ten from the year ended 2008 and determined whether:
 - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
 - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
 - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.
 - d. The fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

Compliance – Budgetary

1. We compared the total from the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General, Gasoline Tax, and Road and Bridge Funds for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. The amounts on the Certificate did not agree to the amount recorded in the accounting system, for any of the three funds tested. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General Fund of \$69,000 for 2009. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$69,179. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the Gasoline Tax Fund of \$88,700 for 2009. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$89,195. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the Road and Bridge Fund of \$42,900 for 2009. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$42,650. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the General Fund of \$64,200 for 2008. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$64,995. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the Gasoline Tax Fund of \$40,600 for 2008. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$81,317. The Revenue Status Report recorded budgeted (i.e. certified) resources for the Road and Bridge Fund of \$19,100 for 2008. However, the final Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflected \$44,145. The fiscal officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report to amounts recorded on the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.

Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)

- 2. We scanned the appropriation measures adopted for 2009 and 2008 to determine whether, for the General, Gasoline Tax, and Road and Bridge Funds, the Trustees appropriated separately for "each office, department, and division, and within each, the amount appropriated for personal services," as is required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions.
- We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.38 and 5705.40, to 3. the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2009 and 2008 for the following funds: General Fund, Gasoline Tax Fund, and Road and Bridge Tax Fund. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions did not agree to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status report for any of the three funds tested. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the General Fund of \$80,259 for 2009. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$79,025. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the Gasoline Tax Fund of \$106,601 for 2009. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$103,000. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the Road and Bridge Fund of \$58,155 for 2009. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$57,450. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the General Fund of \$69,934 for 2008. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$68,000. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the Gasoline Tax Fund of \$101,820 for 2008. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$97,900. The appropriations resolutions recorded appropriations for the Road and Bridge Fund of \$55,717 for 2008. However, the final Appropriation Status Report reflected \$52,500. The Fiscal Officer should periodically compare amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report to amounts recorded on the appropriations budget to assure they agree. If the amounts do not agree, the Trustees may be using inaccurate information for budgeting and monitoring purposes.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.39 prohibits appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the General, Gasoline Tax, and Road and Bridge Funds for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. We noted no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 for the General, Gasoline Tax, and Road and Bridge Funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We noted no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externallyrestricted resources. We scanned the Receipt Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2009 and 2008. We also inquired of management regarding whether the Township received new restricted receipts. We noted no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.09 would require the Township to establish a new fund.
- 7. We scanned the 2009 and 2008 Revenue Status Reports and Appropriation Status Reports for evidence of interfund transfers which Ohio Rev. Code Sections 5705.14 -- .16 restrict. We found no evidence of transfers these Sections prohibit, or for which Section 5705.16 would require approval by the Tax Commissioner and Court of Common Pleas.
- 8. We inquired of management and scanned the Appropriation Status Reports to determine whether the Township elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.13. We noted the Township did not establish these reserves.

Compliance – Contracts & Expenditures

- 1. We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail report for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 for procurements requiring competitive bidding under the following statutes:
 - a. Materials, machinery and tools used in constructing, maintaining and repairing roads and culverts, where costs exceeded \$25,000. (Ohio Rev. Code Section 5549.21)
 - b. Construction and erection of a memorial building or monument costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 511.12)
 - c. Equipment for fire protection and communication costs exceeding \$50,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Sections 505.37 to 505.42)
 - d. Street lighting systems or improvement costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 515.07)
 - e. Building modification costs exceeding \$25,000 to achieve energy savings (Ohio Rev. Code Section 505.264)
 - f. Private sewage collection tile costs exceeding \$25,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Sections 521.02 to 521.05)
 - g. Fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, other fire equipment, appliances, materials, fire hydrants, buildings, or fire-alarm communications equipment or service costs exceeding \$50,000 (Ohio Rev. Code Section 505.37(A))

We identified no purchases subject to the aforementioned bidding requirements.

2. We inquired of management and scanned the Payment Register Detail Report for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 to determine if the Township had road construction projects exceeding \$45,000 for which Ohio Rev. Code Section 5575.01 requires the county engineer to complete a force account project assessment form (i.e., cost estimate).

We identified no projects requiring the county engineer to complete a force account cost estimate.

Officials' Response – We did not receive a response from officials to these exceptions.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the Township's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and those charged with governance and the Auditor of State, and is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully Submitted,

Verry Almocutes CAAJ A.C.

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LETART TOWNSHIP

MEIGS 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 SEPTEMBER 7, 2010