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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Cass Township Muskingum County P.O. Box 372 Frazeysburg, Ohio 43822

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of Cass Township, Muskingum County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

#### 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 of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to 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 statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control 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.

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

As described in Note 1 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, which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy requirements.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

#### 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, 2012 and 2011, or changes in financial position thereof for the years 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 Cass Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, 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 permit, described in Note 1.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1E to the financial statements, during 2011 the Township adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 4, 2013, 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.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

October 4, 2013

#### COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts	057.477	<b>#</b> 00 <b>77</b> 0	010017	<b>#</b> 400.00 <del>7</del>
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$57,177	\$60,773	\$12,947	\$130,897
Intergovernmental Earnings on Investments	53,186 743	129,626 66		182,812 809
Miscellaneous	11,168	13,029		24,197
Miscellaneous	11,100	13,029		24,137
Total Cash Receipts	122,274	203,494	12,947	338,715
Cash Disbursements Current:				
General Government	112,822	480		113,302
Public Safety		17,902		17,902
Public Works	1,295	153,375		154,670
Health	30,000			30,000
Debt Service:			40.700	40.700
Principal Retirement			10,738	10,738
Interest and Fiscal Charges			2,209	2,209
Total Cash Disbursements	144,117	171,757	12,947	328,821
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(21,843)	31,737	0	9,894
Other Financing Receipts				
Other Financing Sources	30,310			30,310
Total Other Financing Receipts	30,310	0	0	30,310
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	8,467	31,737		40,204
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	82,364	507,649	66	590,079
Fund Cash Balances, December 31 Restricted Committed Unassigned	90,831	194,013 345,373	66	194,079 345,373 90,831
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$90,831	\$539,386	\$66	\$630,283
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CASH BASIS) ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts	ΦΕ4 Ε40	<b>Ф</b> 70 070		£40400 <del>7</del>
Property and Other Local Taxes Intergovernmental	\$54,548 75,566	\$70,379 136,864		\$124,927 212,430
Earnings on Investments	75,566 776	130,004		212, <del>4</del> 30 858
Miscellaneous	11,444	13,029		24,473
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Total Cash Receipts	142,334	220,354	\$0	362,688
Cash Disbursements				
Current:		400		
General Government	117,111	480		117,591
Public Safety	22 - 11	20,400		20,400
Public Works	86,511	144,673		231,184
Capital Outlay	57,953	849		58,802
Total Cash Disbursements	261,575	166,402	0	427,977
Excess of Cash Receipts Over (Under) Cash Disbursements	(119,241)	53,952	0	(65,289)
Other Financing Receipts				
Sale of Bonds	57,953			57,953
Sale of Capital Assets	7,100			7,100
Other Financing Sources	163			163
Total Other Financing Receipts	65,216	0	0	65,216
Net Change in Fund Cash Balances	(54,025)	53,952	0	(73)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	136,389	453,697	66	590,152
Fund Cash Balances, December 31				
Restricted		194,842	66	194,908
Committed		312,807		312,807
Unassigned	82,364			82,364
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$82,364	\$507,649	\$66	\$590,079
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

#### 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 Cass Township, Muskingum 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, cemetery maintenance, fire protection and emergency medical services. The Township contracts with the Village of Dresden to provide both fire services and ambulance services.

The Township participates in the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a public entity risk pool. OTARMA is a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio townships for insurance coverage. Note 7 to the financial statements provides additional information for this risk pool membership.

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. Fund Accounting

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

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### C. Fund Accounting (Continued)

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds (Continued)

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

#### 3. Debt Service Fund

This fund accounts for and reports financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest. The Township had the following significant Debt Service Fund:

<u>Bond Retirement Fund</u> - This fund receives property tax money to retire an equipment bond for the purchase of a truck to be used for road maintenance

#### **D. Budgetary Process**

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

#### 1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the 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. Appropriations lapse at year end.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must 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 canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2012 and 2011 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### E. Fund Balance

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:

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### E. Fund Balance (Continued)

#### 1. Nonspendable

The Township classifies assets as *nonspendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

#### 2. Restricted

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.

#### 3. Committed

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.

#### 4. Assigned

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.

#### 5. Unassigned

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.

#### G. 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.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### H. 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. Equity in Pooled Deposits

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

	2012	2011
Demand deposits	\$630,283	\$590,079

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

#### 3. Budgetary Activity

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2012 and 2011, follows:

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipt	S
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	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$109,327	\$152,584	\$43,257
Special Revenue	166,282	203,494	37,212
Debt Service	12,881	12,947	66
Total	\$288,490	\$369,025	\$80,535

2012 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

Appropriation	Budgetary	_
Authority	Expenditures	Variance
\$176,765	\$144,117	\$32,648
678,400	171,757	506,643
12,947	12,947	0
\$868,112	\$328,821	\$539,291
	Authority \$176,765 678,400 12,947	Authority         Expenditures           \$176,765         \$144,117           678,400         171,757           12,947         12,947

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$359,399	\$207,550	(\$151,849)
Special Revenue	159,852	220,354	60,502
Capital Projects	3,325	0	(3,325)
Total	\$522,576	\$427,904	(\$94,672)

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 3. Budgetary Activity (Continued)

2011 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$327,753	\$261,575	\$66,178
Special Revenue	609,703	166,402	443,301
Total	\$937,456	\$427,977	\$509,479

#### 4. 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.

#### 5. Debt

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2012, was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Equipment Bond	\$47,215	3.75%

The Township issued an equipment bond to finance the purchase of a new truck for Township road maintenance. The Township's taxing authority collateralized the bonds.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

	Equipment
Year ending December 31:	Bond
2013	\$12,947
2014	12,947
2015	12,947
2016	12,947
Total	\$51,788

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 6. Retirement System

The Township's elected officials and 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 includes postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2012 and 2011, 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, 2012.

#### 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. York Risk Pooling Services, Inc. (formally known as American Risk Pooling Consultants, Inc.) (York or Management), functions as the administrator of the Pool and provides underwriting claims, loss control, risk management, and reinsurance services for the Pool. 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, 2012, OTARMA retained \$350,000 for casualty claims and \$250,000 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.

#### **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, 2012 and 2011:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Assets	\$34,771,270	\$35,086,165
Liabilities	(9,355,082)	<u>(9,718,792)</u>
Net Position	<u>\$25,416.188</u>	<u>\$25,367,373</u>

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

#### 7. Risk Management (Continued)

At December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, the liabilities above include approximately \$8.7 and \$9.1 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets above also include approximately \$7.96 and \$8.6 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 944 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. As of December 31, 2012, the Township's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$4,000.

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.

Contributions to OTARMA		
<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	
\$5,301	\$5,248	

After one year of membership, a member may withdraw on the anniversary of the date of joining OTARMA, if the member notifies OTARMA in writing 60 days prior to the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's 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.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Cass Township Muskingum County P.O. Box 372 Frazeysburg, Ohio 43822

#### 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 Cass Township, Muskingum County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 4, 2013, wherein we noted the Township followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03 permit and we also noted the Township adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54.

#### 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 opinion 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 certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider material weaknesses.

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 a 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 findings 2012-01 and 2012-02 described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be material weaknesses.

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#### **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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matter we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item 2012-01.

#### 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.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

October 4, 2013

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2012-01**

#### **Noncompliance Citation and Material Weakness**

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10(D) states, in part, that all revenue derived from a source other than the general property tax and which the law prescribes shall be used for a particular purpose, shall be paid into a special fund for such purpose.

In 2012 and 2011, Homestead and Rollback receipts in the amount of \$12,750 and \$12,612, respectively, were posted entirely to the General Fund and should have been allocated to the General, Road and Bridge, and Fire Levy Funds in the amounts of \$5,973, \$4,828 and \$1,949, respectively for 2012 and to the General, Road and Bridge, and Fire Levy Funds in the amounts of \$5,914, \$4,776 and \$1,922, respectively, for 2011.

In 2012 and 2011, the Township received a Statement of Annual Apportionment of Enterprise Zone Compensation settlement with the source of receipts from AEP Generating. The Township posted the 2012 settlement of \$24,197 entirely to the General Fund instead of to the General, Road and Bridge and Fire Levy Funds in the amounts of \$11,168, \$9,306, and \$3,723, respectively. The Township posted the 2011 settlement of \$24,197 entirely to the Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund instead of to the General, Road and Bridge and Fire Levy Funds in the amounts of \$11,168, \$9,306, and \$3,723, respectively.

The Township made these adjustments to their accounting system. Also, these adjustments are reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

We recommend the Fiscal Officer review fund and account postings to ensure the accuracy and completeness of amounts posted to the accounting system. We also recommend the Fiscal Officer record homestead and rollback taxes in accordance with the semiannual apportionment of tax forms received from the County Auditor.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2012-02**

#### **Material Weakness**

All local public offices shall maintain an accounting system and accounting records sufficient to enable the public office to identify, assemble, analyze, classify, record and report its transactions, maintain accountability for the related assets, document compliance with finance-related legal and contractual requirements and prepare financial statements.

The Ohio Township Handbook (revised April 2013) provides suggested account classifications. These accounts classify receipts by fund and source (taxes or charges for services, for example). Using these classifications will provide the Township with information required to monitor compliance with the budget, and prepare annual reports in the format required by the Auditor of State.

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011 (Continued)

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

### FINDING NUMBER 2012-02 (Continued)

#### **Material Weakness (Continued)**

The Township did not have control procedures in place to ensure the accuracy of the Fiscal Officer's receipt line item account postings. Throughout the audit period, several receipts were not always posted to accurate receipt classifications based on the source of the receipt.

The Township posted Tangible Personal Property Tax Reimbursement receipts as Property Taxes instead of Intergovernmental in 2012 in the amount of \$26,258 to the General Fund, \$21,586 to the Road and Bridge Fund, and \$8,753 to the Fire Levy Fund and in 2011 in the amount of \$28,262 to the General Fund, \$23,234 to the Road and Bridge Fund and \$9,421 to the Fire Levy Fund.

In 2011, the Township posted bond proceeds as Other Financing Sources instead of Other Financing Sources – Sale of Bonds in the amount of \$57,953. In addition, in 2011, the Township posted proceeds from the sale of assets as Other Financing Sources instead of Other Financing Sources – Sale of Capital Assets in the amount of \$7,100.

Material adjustments with which the Township officials agree are reflected within the accompanying financial statements.

We recommend the Fiscal Officer utilize available authoritative resources to appropriately classify receipt transactions.

Officials' Response: We did not receive a response from Officials to the findings reported above.

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND 2011

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2010-01	Finding for Recovery - Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public monies illegally expended issued against Larry Albertson, Thomas Noland, and Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority, bonding company, jointly and severally.	No	Partially Corrected; The Township is deducting hours from each pay of the two employees, deductions are made on a monthly basis for both employees. Thomas Noland finding was fully paid in September 2013. Larry Albertson finding will be fully paid in October 2013.
2010-02	Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.10(D) – Revenue derived from a source other than the general property tax and which the law prescribes shall be used for a particular purpose, were paid into the incorrect fund	No	Not Corrected; Repeated as Finding No. 2012-01.
2010-03	Significant Deficiency - not recording various receipts into the proper account classifications.	No	Not Corrected; Repeated as Finding No. 2012-02.





#### **CASS TOWNSHIP**

#### **MUSKINGUM 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 7, 2013