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Warren Township Trumbull County P.O. Box 307 3765 West Market Street, Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

#### To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While 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. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

September 28, 2007

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Warren Township Trumbull County P.O. Box 307 3765 West Market Street Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Warren Township, Trumbull County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the 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 our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the 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.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Township's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Township does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require townships to reformat their statements. The Township has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. 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, 2006 and 2005 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of Warren Township, Trumbull County, as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The 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 September 28, 2007, 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. 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.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

September 28, 2007

## COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$97,722	\$1,359,604		\$1,457,326
Charges for Services	¥ = 1 ,1 ===	181,567		181,567
Licenses, Permits, and Fees	2,340	21,459		23,799
Fines and Forfeitures	5,552			5,552
Intergovernmental	173,267	172,845		346,112
Special Assessments		7,173		7,173
Earnings on Investments	47,764	481		48,245
Miscellaneous	46,204	58,625		104,829
Total Cash Receipts	372,849	1,801,754	0	2,174,603
Cash Disbursements:				
Current:				
General Government	164,856	2,447		167,303
Public Safety		1,087,548		1,087,548
Public Works	47.045	385,561		385,561
Health	17,815	16,593		34,408
Human Services Other	27,009	600		27,009 600
Capital Outlay	29,111	140,089		169,200
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Total Cash Disbursements	238,791	1,632,838	0	1,871,629
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	134,058	168,916	0	302,974
Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):				
Other Financing Sources	787			787
Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)	787	0	0	787
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing				
Receipts Over / (Under) Cash Disbursements	40404=	400.046	_	000 704
and Other Financing Disbursements	134,845	168,916	0	303,761
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	1,036,667	1,130,564	52,211	2,219,442
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$1,171,512	\$1,299,480	\$52,211	\$2,523,203
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$174,743	\$13,298	\$0	\$188,041

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	Fiduciary Fund Type
	Private-Purpose Trust
Operating Cash Receipts: Earnings on Investments	\$163
Total Operating Cash Receipts	163
Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	0
Operating Income	163
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	3,611
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$3,774

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

**Governmental Fund Types** 

Charges for Services       180,733       180,73         Licenses, Permits, and Fees       1,430       17,819       19,22         Fines and Forfeitures       7,756       7,75         Intergovernmental       187,081       294,037       481,17         Special Assessments       33,814       33,87         Earnings on Investments       29,886       319       30,22         Miscellaneous       42,863       130,848       173,77         Total Cash Receipts       354,953       1,890,119       0       2,245,07         Cash Disbursements:         Current:       General Government       201,397       2,301       203,68         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       640         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16		General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Property and Other Local Taxes         \$85,937         \$1,232,549         \$1,318,46           Charges for Services         180,733         180,73           Licenses, Permits, and Fees         1,430         17,819         19,22           Fines and Forfeitures         7,756         7,756         7,756         7,756         7,756         141,11         187,081         294,037         481,11         39,814         33,81         33,814         33,814         33,814         33,814         33,81         33,814         33,81         43,81         43,81         17,37         7,77         17,81         24,863         130,848         173,77         17,81         17,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91         23,91	sh Receipts:				
Charges for Services       180,733       180,73         Licenses, Permits, and Fees       1,430       17,819       19,22         Fines and Forfeitures       7,756       7,75         Intergovernmental       187,081       294,037       481,17         Special Assessments       33,814       33,87         Earnings on Investments       29,886       319       30,22         Miscellaneous       42,863       130,848       173,77         Total Cash Receipts       354,953       1,890,119       0       2,245,07         Cash Disbursements:         Current:       General Government       201,397       2,301       203,68         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       640         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	•	\$85,937	\$1,232,549		\$1,318,486
Licenses, Permits, and Fees       1,430       17,819       19,24         Fines and Forfeitures       7,756       7,75         Intergovernmental       187,081       294,037       481,11         Special Assessments       33,814       33,87         Earnings on Investments       29,886       319       30,20         Miscellaneous       42,863       130,848       173,77         Total Cash Receipts       354,953       1,890,119       0       2,245,07         Cash Disbursements:         Current:       General Government       201,397       2,301       203,65         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,45         Public Works       488,671       488,67       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       640         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16		¥ ,			180,733
Intergovernmental         187,081         294,037         481,17           Special Assessments         33,814         33,87           Earnings on Investments         29,886         319         30,20           Miscellaneous         42,863         130,848         173,77           Total Cash Receipts         354,953         1,890,119         0         2,245,07           Cash Disbursements:           Current:         General Government         201,397         2,301         203,69           Public Safety         14,009         1,053,485         1,067,49           Public Works         488,671         488,671         488,671           Health         15,938         9,101         25,03           Human Services         27,817         27,81           Conservation - Recreation         640         64           Capital Outlay         12,747         155,055         167,80           Total Cash Disbursements         271,908         1,709,253         0         1,981,16		1,430			19,249
Special Assessments         33,814         33,87           Earnings on Investments         29,886         319         30,20           Miscellaneous         42,863         130,848         173,77           Total Cash Receipts         354,953         1,890,119         0         2,245,07           Cash Disbursements:           Current:         General Government         201,397         2,301         203,69           Public Safety         14,009         1,053,485         1,067,49           Public Works         488,671         488,671         488,671           Health         15,938         9,101         25,03           Human Services         27,817         27,81           Conservation - Recreation         640         640           Capital Outlay         12,747         155,055         167,80           Total Cash Disbursements         271,908         1,709,253         0         1,981,16	nes and Forfeitures	7,756			7,756
Earnings on Investments       29,886       319       30,20         Miscellaneous       42,863       130,848       173,77         Total Cash Receipts       354,953       1,890,119       0       2,245,07         Cash Disbursements:         Current:         General Government       201,397       2,301       203,69         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	tergovernmental	187,081	294,037		481,118
Miscellaneous       42,863       130,848       173,77         Total Cash Receipts       354,953       1,890,119       0       2,245,07         Cash Disbursements:         Current:         General Government       201,397       2,301       203,69         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	pecial Assessments		33,814		33,814
Total Cash Receipts         354,953         1,890,119         0         2,245,07           Cash Disbursements:         Current:           General Government         201,397         2,301         203,68           Public Safety         14,009         1,053,485         1,067,48           Public Works         488,671         488,67           Health         15,938         9,101         25,03           Human Services         27,817         27,87           Conservation - Recreation         640         640           Capital Outlay         12,747         155,055         167,80           Total Cash Disbursements         271,908         1,709,253         0         1,981,16	arnings on Investments	29,886	319		30,205
Cash Disbursements:         Current:       301,397       2,301       203,69         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       640         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	scellaneous	42,863	130,848		173,711
Current:       General Government       201,397       2,301       203,69         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,671       488,671         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	otal Cash Receipts	354,953	1,890,119	0	2,245,072
General Government       201,397       2,301       203,69         Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,49         Public Works       488,671       488,671       488,671         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16	sh Disbursements:				
Public Safety       14,009       1,053,485       1,067,48         Public Works       488,671       488,67         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16					
Public Works       488,671       488,671         Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16		,	,		203,698
Health       15,938       9,101       25,03         Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16		14,009			1,067,494
Human Services       27,817       27,87         Conservation - Recreation       640       64         Capital Outlay       12,747       155,055       167,80         Total Cash Disbursements       271,908       1,709,253       0       1,981,16					488,671
Conservation - Recreation         640         64           Capital Outlay         12,747         155,055         167,80           Total Cash Disbursements         271,908         1,709,253         0         1,981,10			9,101		25,039
Capital Outlay         12,747         155,055         167,80           Total Cash Disbursements         271,908         1,709,253         0         1,981,10		27,817	0.40		27,817
Total Cash Disbursements 271,908 1,709,253 0 1,981,16		40.747			640
	apital Outlay	12,747	155,055		167,802
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements83,045 00 0 263,9^-	otal Cash Disbursements	271,908	1,709,253	0	1,981,161
<del></del>	al Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	83,045	180,866	0	263,911
Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):	ner Financing Receipts / (Disbursements):				
		50,000			50,000
		33,333	(50.000)		(50,000)
		88			88
Total Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements) 50,088 (50,000) 0	otal Other Financing Receipts / (Disbursements)	50,088	(50,000)	0	88
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing					
Receipts Over / (Under) Cash Disbursements					
and Other Financing Disbursements 133,133 130,866 0 263,99	Other Financing Disbursements	133,133	130,866	0	263,999
Fund Cash Balances, January 1 903,534 999,698 52,211 1,955,44	nd Cash Balances, January 1	903,534	999,698	52,211	1,955,443
Fund Cash Balances, December 31 <u>\$1,036,667</u> <u>\$1,130,564</u> <u>\$52,211</u> <u>\$2,219,44</u>	nd Cash Balances, December 31	\$1,036,667	\$1,130,564	\$52,211	\$2,219,442
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31 \$3,138 \$42,844 \$0 \$45,98	serve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$3,138	\$42,844	\$0	\$45,982

## STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Fiduciary Fund Type
	Private-Purpose Trust
Operating Cash Receipts: Earnings on Investments	\$99
Total Operating Cash Receipts	99
Operating Cash Disbursements:	
Total Operating Cash Disbursements	0
Operating Income	99
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	3,512
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$3,611

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

#### 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 Warren Township, Trumbull 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 and police protection, and emergency medical services.

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. Cash and Investments

The Township's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Township values repurchase agreements at cost. Money market mutual funds (including STAR Ohio) are recorded at share values the mutual funds report.

#### D. 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:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from private-purpose trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. 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, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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

<u>Police District Fund</u> – This fund receives property tax money to provide police protection to the residents of the Township.

<u>Fire District Fund</u> – This fund receives property tax money to provide fire protection to the residents of the Township.

#### 3. Debt Service Funds

This fund accounts for resources the Township accumulates to pay bond and note debt.

#### 4. Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds include private purpose trust funds. Trust funds account for assets held under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments which are not available to support the Township's own programs.

The Township's private purpose trust fund is for the care and maintenance of certain individuals' cemetery plots.

#### E. 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 fund, function 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. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also 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 carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2006 and 2005 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### F. 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.

#### G. 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 Cash and Investments

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

	2006	2005
Demand deposits	(\$70,796)	(\$51,430)
Total deposits	(70,796)	(51,430)
Money Market Mutual Fund	11,688	11,644
STAR Ohio	3,269	3,269
Repurchase agreement	2,582,816	2,259,570
Total investments	2,597,773	2,274,483
Total deposits and investments	\$2,526,977	\$2,223,053

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

**Investments:** The Township's financial institution transfers securities to the Township's agent to collateralize repurchase agreements. The securities are not in the Township's name. Investments in STAR Ohio and mutual funds are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form.

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 follows:

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts Budgeted Actual Fund Type Receipts Receipts Variance General \$326,029 \$373,636 \$47,607 Special Revenue 1,598,505 1,801,754 203,249 **Debt Service** 0 0 0 Trust 80 163 83 Total \$1.924.614 \$2,175,553 \$250.939

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY – (Continued)

2006 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$732,500	\$413,534	\$318,966
Special Revenue	1,945,500	1,646,136	299,364
Debt Service	0	0	0
Trust	0	0	0
Total	\$2,678,000	\$2,059,670	\$618,330

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$321,444	\$355,041	\$33,597
Special Revenue	1,728,770	1,890,119	161,349
Debt Service	0	0	0
Trust	30	99	69
Total	\$2,050,244	\$2,245,259	\$195,015

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$626,500	\$275,046	\$351,454
Special Revenue	1,997,554	1,752,097	245,457
Debt Service	0	0	0
Trust	0	0	0
Total	\$2,624,054	\$2,027,143	\$596,911

#### 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.

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 DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005 (Continued)

#### 5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's certified Fire Fighters and full-time Police Officers belong to the Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). Other employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OP&F and OPERS are cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes these plans' benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2006 and 2005, OP&F participants contributed 10% of their wages. For 2006 and 2005, the Township contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 19.5% of full-time police members' wages and 24% of full-time fire fighters' wages, respectively. For 2006 and 2005, OPERS members contributed 9 and 8.5%, respectively, of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 13.7 and 13.55%, respectively, of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2006.

#### 8. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- · Errors and omissions.

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

Warren Township Trumbull County 3765 West Market Street Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

To the Township Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Warren Township, Trumbull County, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated September 28, 2007, wherein we noted the 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Township's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Township's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above. We noted certain matters that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated September 28, 2007.

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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, providing an opinion 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management and Township Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Saylor

September 28, 2007

#### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2006 AND 2005

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2004-001	The Township did not establish procedures to determine whether their service organization had sufficient controls in place to reduce the risk that ambulance billings and collections were complete and accurate.	No	Partially Corrected: The Township changed service organizations. No longer considered a significant deficiency and has been reissued in the Township's management letter.



**WARREN TOWNSHIP** 

TRUMBULL 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 DECEMBER 6, 2007