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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**

Erie County
247 Columbus Avenue, Suite 210
Sandusky, Ohio 44870-2635
and
The Director,
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

We have audited, in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of Erie County (the County) for the year ended December 31, 2003, and have separately issued our unqualified report thereon dated November 30, 2004.

In a letter to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency dated December 14, 2004 (the Letter), the County Auditor of Erie County specified that certain amounts disclosed in that Letter were derived from the independently audited financial statements referred to in the first paragraph above.

We have performed the procedures described below as agreed to by the County and by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, solely to assist you in determining that certain amounts reported in the Letter agreed to, or can be computed from, amounts presented in the audited basic financial statements. The County's management is responsible for the information presented in the Letter. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the addressees. 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.

As required by Ohio Administrative Code §§ 3745-27-15(L)(5)(c), 3745-27-16(L)(5)(c) and 3745-27-18(M)(5)(c), we have agreed the following amounts included in the Letter to the audited financial statements:

Alternative 2, <u>Line No.</u>		
5	Total assured environmental costs	\$ 9,426,614
6	Total annual revenue	\$ 79,989,871

The amounts on line 6 agree to the basic fund financial statements of Erie County, or can be computed from amounts appearing therein. We followed the definition for line 6 included in the *State Support Document for the Local Government Financial Test*, issued November 27, 1996 by the USEPA. Line 5 includes total assured environmental costs reported in the fund financial statements following Governmental Accounting Statement Number 18.

We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be to express an opinion on the Letter. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the addressees listed above and should not be used by anyone else.



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December 14, 2004



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 30, 2004**