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McComb Union Cemetery Hancock County 5141 TR 79 Rawson, Ohio 45881-9636

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 a February 2, 2005 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 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

August 7, 2009

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

McComb Union Cemetery Hancock County 5141 TR 79 Rawson, Ohio 45881-9636

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of McComb Union Cemetery, Hancock County (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery'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. The Cemetery processes its financial transactions with the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to audit the Cemetery because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and as requested, operates UAN. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Cemetery 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 fund the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity-wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e., major) funds separately. While the Cemetery 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 cemeteries to reformat their statements. The Cemetery has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Cemetery 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.

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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, 2008 and 2007 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, 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 fund cash balance of McComb Union Cemetery, Hancock County, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Cemetery 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 August 7, 2009, on our consideration of the Cemetery'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

August 7, 2009

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 and 2007

	2008	2007
Cash Receipts:		
Intergovernmental		\$3,250
Charges for Services	\$13,325	10,676
Sale of Lots	3,700	5,000
Licenses and Permits	25	24
Interest	170	408
Miscellaneous	15	13
Total Cash Receipts	17,235	19,371
Cash Disbursements:		
Current:		
Salaries	3,602	3,719
Supplies	1,681	1,563
Equipment	3,825	1,500
Contracts - Services	17,523	21,623
Miscellaneous	738	
Total Cash Disbursements	27,369	28,405
Total Cash Disbursements Over/(Under) Cash Receipts	(10,134)	(9,034)
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	30,141	39,175
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$20,007	\$30,141

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

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 for the McComb Union Cemetery, Hancock County (the Cemetery), as a body corporate and politic. An appointed six-member Board of Trustees directs the Cemetery. The Board is appointed by the Village of McComb and Pleasant Township. These entities also provide funding when needed to meet the Cemetery's operating costs under the agreement which established the Cemetery. The accompanying financial statements present this funding as Intergovernmental Receipts. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

The Cemetery's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Cemetery is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. This basis recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

C. Cash and Investments

The Cemetery includes investments as assets. The Cemetery does not report purchases of investments as disbursements or investment sales as receipts. The Cemetery recognizes gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Cemetery records certificates of deposit at cost.

D. Fund Accounting

The Cemetery's only fund is the General Fund that presents all financial resources.

E. Budgetary Process

The Cemetery's Board budgets the General fund annually.

1. Appropriations

The Board annually approves appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DDECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1.

A summary of 2008 and 2007 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The financial statements report acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment as capital outlay disbursements when paid. The financial statements do not report these items as assets.

2. DEPOSITS

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 follows:

	2008	2007
Demand deposits	\$7,507	\$17,641
Certificates of deposit	12,500	12,500
Total deposits and investments	\$20,007	\$30,141

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2008 and 2007 follows:

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		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$10,500	\$17,235	\$6,735
2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$40,640	\$27,369	\$13,271
2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
		Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type		Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General		\$10,300	\$19,371	\$9,071

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DDECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007 (Continued)

3. **BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)**

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
		Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type		Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General		\$49,000	\$28,405	\$20,595

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as the Ohio Revised Code prescribes.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2008 and 2007, OPERS employee members contributed 10 and 9.5 percent respectively, of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributes an amount equal to 14 and 13.85 percent respectively, of participants' gross salaries. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2008.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The McComb Union Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for comprehensive property and general liability.

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

McComb Union Cemetery Hancock County 5141 TR 79 Rawson, Ohio 45881-9636

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of McComb Union Cemetery, Hancock County, (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated August 7, 2009, wherein we noted the Cemetery followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We also noted the Cemetery uses the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) to process its financial transactions. *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the Auditor of State's independence to audit the Cemetery. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. 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 Cemetery'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 Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Cemetery'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 Cemetery'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 Cemetery'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 Cemetery's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

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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 a certain matter that we reported to the Cemetery's management in a separate letter dated August 7, 2009.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Cemetery'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 the audit committee, management, and Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Jaylor

Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

August 7, 2009



MCCOMB UNION CEMETERY

HANCOCK 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 SEPTEMBER 8, 2009