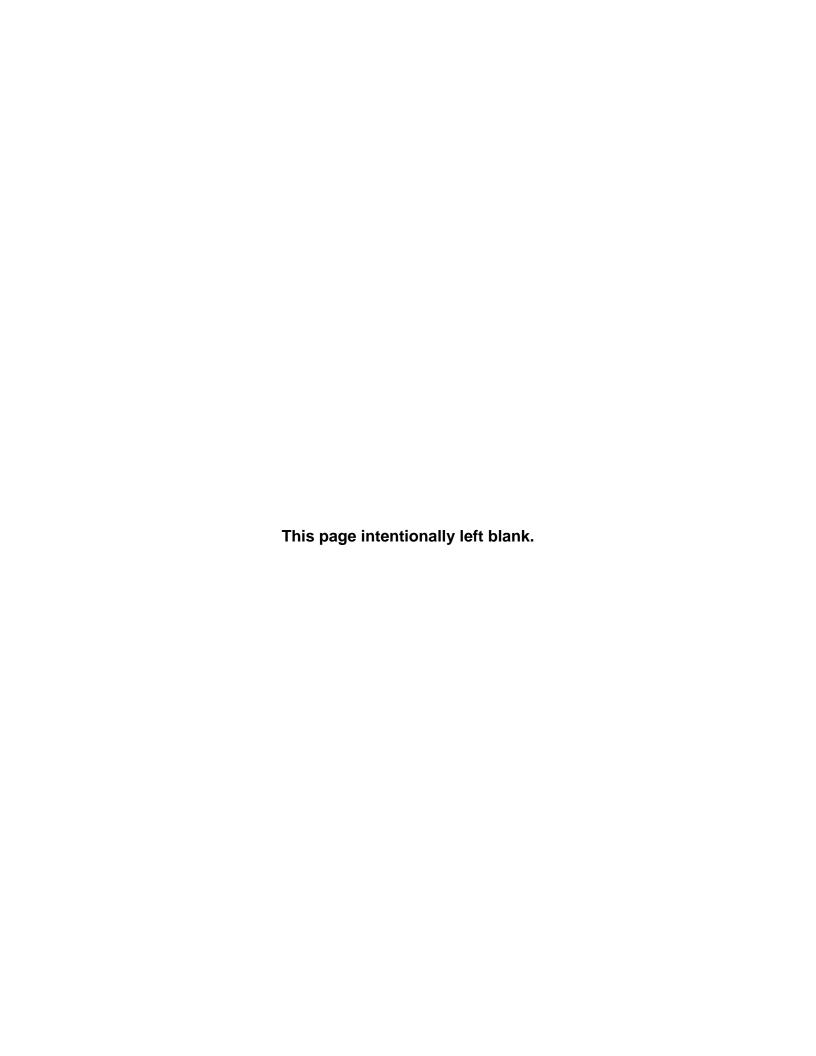




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Tri-County Ambulance District Tuscarawas County 530 S. College Street Newcomerstown, Ohio 43832

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of Tri-County Ambulance District, Tuscarawas County, Ohio (the District), on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the District's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the District. The District is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the District. The sufficiency of 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

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2015 beginning fund balance recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2014 balances in the prior year audited statements. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2016 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Ledger Report to the December 31, 2015 balances in the Cash Summary by Fund Report. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2016 and 2015 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Status Reports. The amounts agreed.
- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2016 bank account balance with the District's financial institution. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balance to the amount appearing in the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2016 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. There were no exceptions.

## Property Taxes, Intergovernmental and Other Confirmable Cash Receipts

- 1. We haphazardly selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2016 and one from 2015.
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm the receipt was allocated to the proper fund as required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.05-.06 and 5705.10. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to confirm the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- 2. We scanned the Revenue Ledger Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2016 and 2015. The Revenue Ledger Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We haphazardly selected all receipts from the State Distribution Transaction Lists (DTL) from 2016 and all from 2015. We also haphazardly selected five receipts from the County AP Disbursements Report from 2016 and five from 2015.
  - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Receipt Detail Report. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Receipt Detail Report to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 4. We confirmed the amounts paid from the Glatfelter Claims Management, Inc. to the District during 2016 to the remittance letter received and signed contract for the sale of the totaled 2002 Ford Ambulance. We found no exceptions.
  - a. We inspected the Revenue Ledger Report to determine whether this receipt was allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger Report to determine whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

## **Charges for Services**

We haphazardly selected five receipts recorded in the Revenue Receipt Register from the year ended December 31, 2016 and five from the year ended December 31, 2015. We compared the receipt to the amount credited to Monthly Credit Report, which is performed by the service organization, Ohio Billing, and credited in the bank statement. We also compared the date the payment was recorded in the Revenue Receipt Register to the date deposited per the bank statement. Per the table below, the amounts agreed, and the cash was deposited timely. We determined whether the receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions. We also determined whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

## **Charges for Services (Continued)**

#### 2016

	Amount Recorded in Cash Receipts Records, 2016	ded Credited to Deposited Recordish Accounts per Bank in Cash Fights Receivable Statement Recording		Date Recorded in Cash Receipts Records	Date Deposited per Bank Statement
1.	\$276	\$276	\$416	January 29, 2016	January 29, 2016
2.	886	886	2,568	April 30, 2016	April 30, 2016
3.	106	106	1,936	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2016
4.	555	555	1,165	September 21, 2016	September 21, 2016
5.	775	775	1,672	October 21, 2016	October 21, 2016

#### 2015

	Amount Recorded in Cash Receipts Records, 2015	Amount Credited to Accounts Receivable	Amount Deposited per Bank Statement	Date Recorded in Cash Receipts Records	Date Deposited per Bank Statement
1.	\$563	\$563	\$2,384	January 16, 2015	January 16, 2015
2.	112	112	1,695	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2015
3.	127	127	1,230	April 30, 2015	April 31, 2015
4.	136	136	1,033	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2015
5.	191	191	1,820	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2015

The amounts deposited per the bank statement include the total of the batch of receipts.

## Debt

- 1. The prior audit documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2014.
- 2. We inquired of management, and inspected the Receipt Detail Report and Payment Register Detail Report for evidence of debt issued during 2016 or 2015 or debt payment activity during 2016 or 2015. All debt observed agreed to the summary we used in step 3.
- 3. We obtained a summary of lease debt activity for 2016 and 2015 and agreed principal and interest payments from the related debt amortization schedule to General fund payments reported in the Payment Register Detail Report. We also compared the date the debt service payments were due to the date the District made the payments. We found no exceptions.
- 4. For new debt issued during 2016 and 2015, we inspected the debt legislation, which indicated the District must use the proceeds to lease an ambulance. We scanned the Payment Register Detail Report and lease agreement and noted the District leased the ambulance on November 20, 2015.

## **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2016 and one payroll check for five employees from 2015 from the Payment Register Detail Report and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the Payment Register Detail Report to determine the account code to which the check was posted was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' timecard. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2016 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2016. We noted the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2017	October 27, 2016 through December 30, 2016	\$8,742	\$8,742
State income taxes	January 15, 2017	December 30, 2016	\$421	\$421
Local income tax	January 31, 2017	December 21, 2016	\$464	\$464
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2017	February 19, 2017	\$6,064	\$6,064

As stated above, the District paid OPERS the amount due after the date required by Ohio Rev. Code §§ 145.47 and 145.48.

#### **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

We haphazardly selected ten disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2016 and ten from the year ended 2015 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 fiscal officer certified disbursements requiring certification or issued a *Then and Now Certificate*, as required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(D). We found no exceptions.

## Compliance - Budgetary

1. We compared the total estimated receipts from the *Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources*, required by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.36(A)(1), to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Status Report for the General fund for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The amounts agreed.

## **Compliance – Budgetary (Continued)**

- 2. We inspected the appropriation measures adopted for 2016 and 2015 to determine whether, 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 § 5705.38(C). We found no exceptions.
- 3. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Rev. Code Sections §§ 5705.38 and 5705.40, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2016 and 2015 for the General fund. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions did not agree to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for both 2016 and 2015. The amount recorded on the Appropriation Status Report exceeded the appropriation resolution by \$18,237 for 2016 and \$52,070 for 2015. The Board of Trustees and the Fiscal Officer should periodically compare approved appropriations to those posted to the District ledgers. If additional appropriations are needed, the Board of Trustees and the Fiscal Officer should take the necessary steps to adopt supplemental appropriations, if appropriate, to help prevent expenditures from exceeding appropriations and reduce the risk that a respective fund's cash balance could become negative.
- 4. Ohio Rev. Code §§ 5705.36(A)(5) and 5705.39 prohibit appropriations from exceeding the certified resources. We compared total appropriations to total certified resources for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. There were no funds for which appropriations exceeded certified resources.
- 5. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.41(B) prohibits expenditures (disbursements plus certified commitments) from exceeding appropriations. We compared total expenditures, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report, to total approved appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. Expenditures did not exceed appropriations.
- 6. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.09 requires establishing separate funds to segregate externally-restricted resources. We inspected the Receipt Register Report for evidence of new restricted receipts requiring a new fund during December 31, 2016 and 2015. We also inquired of management regarding whether the District received new restricted receipts. We observed no evidence of new restricted receipts for which Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.09 would require the District to establish a new fund.
- 7. For funds existing in prior years, we inspected the fund activity to determine whether the fund is still being used for the statutorily approved purpose and that all the required funds were established. All the required funds were established and no funds for which the statutorily approved purpose was no longer valid were included on the accounting records.
- 8. We inquired of management and inspected the Appropriation Status Reports to determine whether the District elected to establish reserve accounts permitted by Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.13. The District did not establish these reserves.
- 9. We inspected the Cash Summary by Fund Report for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 for negative cash fund balances. Ohio Rev. Code § 5705.10 (I) provides that money paid into a fund must be used for the purposes for which such fund is established. As a result, a negative fund cash balance indicates that money from one fund was used to cover the expenses of another. There were no funds having negative cash fund balances.

## **Other Compliance**

Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 requires entities to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. We confirmed the District filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2016-007, within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. There were no exceptions.

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 Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively on the District's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is for the use of the District to assist in evaluating it's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

July 19, 2017



## TRI-COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT

#### **TUSCARAWAS 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 AUGUST 10, 2017