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# **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS**

Village of Green Camp Marion County P.O. Box 43 Green Camp, Ohio 43322

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Green Camp, Marion County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001, and December 31, 2000. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Village'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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about 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 that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Village prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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 the Village as of December 31, 2001, and December 31, 2000, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 7, 2002, on our consideration of the Village's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the finance committee, management, the Village Council and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

August 7, 2002

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Property Tax Intergovernmental Receipts Fines, Licenses, and Permits Interest Miscellaneous	\$20,797 31,157 125 928 1,397	\$0 10,649 0 723 0	\$0 0 0 0 0	\$20,797 41,806 125 1,651 1,397
Total Cash Receipts	54,404	11,372	0	65,776
Cash Disbursements: Current: Security of Persons and Property Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities Transportation General Government Debt Service Capital Outlay	4,111 6,280 4,858 5,210 40,010 5,000 0	0 0 14,651 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 8,993	4,111 6,280 4,858 19,861 40,010 5,000 8,993
Total Cash Disbursements	65,469	14,651	8,993	89,113
Total Cash Receipts (Under) Cash Disbursements	(11,065)	(3,279)	(8,993)	(23,337)
Fund Cash Balances, January 1, 2001	55,787	27,646	10,000	93,433
Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2001	\$44,722	\$24,367	\$1,007	\$70.096
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31, 2001	\$6,518	\$5,028	\$0	\$11,546

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

# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Property Tax Intergovernmental Receipts Fines, Licenses, and Permits Interest Miscellaneous	\$23,383 28,032 4,147 1,075 1,920	\$0 10,183 0 796 0	\$0 0 0 0	\$23,383 38,215 4,147 1,871 1,920
Total Cash Receipts	58,557	10,979	0	69,536
Cash Disbursements: Current: Security of Persons and Property Public Health Services Leisure Time Activities Community Environment Transportation General Government Debt Service Total Cash Disbursements	5,751 3,743 5,161 150 3,176 23,644 1,500 43,125	0 0 0 10,004 0 0 10,004	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	5,751 3,743 5,161 150 13,180 23,644 1,500 53,129
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	15,432	975	0	16,407
Fund Cash Balances, January 1, 2000	40,355	26,671	10,000	77,026
Fund Cash Balances, December 31, 2000	<u>\$55,787</u>	\$27,646	\$10,000	\$93,433
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31, 2000	\$11.982	\$225	\$0	\$12,207

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

# 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# A. Description of the Entity

The Village of Green Camp, Marion County, Ohio, (the Village) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Village is directed by a publicly-elected six-member Council. The Village provides general government services, including park operations. The Green Camp Township Volunteer Fire Department provides fire protection services for the Village.

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

# B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized 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 prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

## C. Cash

The Village maintains an interest-bearing checking account and a certificate of deposit.

## D. Fund Accounting

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

## 1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

## 2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds are used to account for proceeds from specific sources that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Village had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

*Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund* - This fund receives gasoline tax and motor vehicle tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

*Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund* - This fund receives permissive tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Village streets.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

# 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

# D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

# 3. Capital Project Fund

This fund is used to account for receipts that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects. The Village's Capital Project Fund is used to record the activity related to the design and construction of a wastewater system for the Village.

# 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 or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Council 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 Village to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be re-appropriated. The Village did not encumber all commitments required by Ohio law.

A summary of 2001 and 2000 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

## F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

# 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The Village maintains a cash pool used by all funds. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

	2001	2000
Deposits	\$70,096	\$93,433

Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

# 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000 follows:

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$48,466	\$54,404	\$5,938
Special Revenue	12,172	11,372	(800)
Capital Projects	10,000	0	(10,000)
Total	\$70,638	\$65,776	(\$4,862)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$100,415	\$71,987	\$28,428
Special Revenue	39,397	19,679	19,718
Capital Projects	10,444	8,993	1,451
Total	\$150,256	\$100,659	\$49,597

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$46,371	\$58,557	\$12,186
Special Revenue	10,486	10,979	493
Capital Projects	200	0	(200)
Total	\$57,057	\$69,536	\$12,479

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

# 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2000 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$80,493	\$55,107	\$25,386
Special Revenue	34,941	10,229	24,712
Capital Projects	10,000	0	10,000
Total	\$125,434	\$65,336	\$60,098

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Village Council. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payments, 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 Village.

## 5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2001 is as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Ohio Water Development Authority Loan	\$7,500	0.0%

The Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) loan relates to a wastewater system construction project. The OWDA has approved a \$25,000 loan to the Village for this project. As of December 31, 2001, the Village has received \$10,000 of the approved loan amount. The loan will be repaid in semiannual installments of \$2,500 over 10 years.

In addition to the debt described above, the Village paid off a Garage Note in 2001. Principal outstanding on this note at December 31, 1999 was \$4,000.

#### 6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000 (Continued)

# 6. **RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (Continued)**

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2001 and 2000, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their wages. The Village contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2001 and from January 1, 2000 through June 30, 2000. PERS temporarily reduced the employer contribution rate to 8.13%, effective July 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000. The Village has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2001.

# 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village belongs to the Ohio Government Risk Management Plan (the "Plan"), an unincorporated non-profit association with over 600 governmental entity members providing a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance risk management program and other administrative services.

Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Plan is deemed a separate legal entity. The Plan provides property, liability, errors and omissions, law enforcement, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverages, modified for each member's needs. The Plan pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the member's deductible.

The Plan uses conventional insurance coverages and reinsures these coverages 100%, rather than using a risk pool of member funds to pay individual and collective losses. Therefore, the individual members are only responsible for their self-retention (deductible) amounts which vary from member to member.

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Village of Green Camp Marion County P.O. Box 43 Green Camp, Ohio 43322

To the Village Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Village of Green Camp, Marion County, Ohio, (the Village) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001, and December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated August 7, 2002. 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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

# Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Village's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2001-30651-001. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Village in a separate letter dated August 7, 2002.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Village's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. Village of Green Camp Marion County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the finance committee, management and the Village Council, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

JIM PETRO Auditor of State

August 7, 2002

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND 2000

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

#### FINDING NUMBER 2001-30651-001

#### Proper Certification by Village Clerk/Treasurer

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) states no order or contract involving the expenditure of money is to be made unless there is attached thereto a certificate of the fiscal officer certifying that the amount required for the order or contract has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances. Every such contract made without such a certificate shall be null and void and no warrant shall be issued in payment of any amount due thereon.

This section also provides two "exceptions" to the above requirement:

- a. Then and Now Certificate If no certificate is furnished as required, upon receipt of the fiscal officer's certificate that a sufficient sum was, both at the time of the contract or order and at the time of the certificate, appropriated and free of any previous encumbrances, the Council may authorize the issuance of a warrant in payment of the amount due upon such contract or order by resolution within 30 days from the receipt of such certificate, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.
- b. If the amount involved is less than \$1,000, the fiscal officer may authorize it to be paid without the affirmation of the Council, if such expenditure is otherwise valid.

Fifty-eight percent of the transactions tested were not certified by the Village Clerk/Treasurer at the time the commitment was incurred and neither of the exceptions provided for were used. To improve controls over disbursements, we recommend that all disbursements receive certification of the Village Clerk/Treasurer that the funds are or will be available.



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# VILLAGE OF GREEN CAMP

# MARION 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.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED SEPTEMBER 5, 2002