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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Enoch Township Noble County 22496 State Route 564 Caldwell, Ohio 43724

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Enoch Township, Noble County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. 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 *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 Township 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 Enoch Township, Noble County, as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, 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 May 15, 2003 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 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 management, the Board of Trustees, 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.

Betty Montgomery

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

May 15, 2003

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type		
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Non- Expendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$4,071	\$23,295	\$	\$	\$27,366	
Intergovernmental	11,497	61,224	4,126		76,847	
Earnings on Investments	582	388			970	
Total Cash Receipts	16,150	84,907	4,126	0	105,183	
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:						
General Government	20,089				20,089	
Public Safety	200				200	
Public Works	29	73,694			73,723	
Redemption of Principal			2,681	0.14	2,681	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	·	· .	764	241	1,005	
Total Cash Disbursements	20,318	73,694	3,445	241	97,698	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(4,168)	11,213	681	(241)	7,485	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	28,065	44,426	17,501	6,963	96,955	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$23,897	\$55,639	\$18,182	\$6,722	\$104,440	
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$668	\$2,204	\$0	\$0	\$2,872	

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 AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type		
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Non- Expendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$3,914	\$24,426	\$	\$	\$28,340	
Intergovernmental	10,556	90,547	4,126		105,229	
Earnings on Investments	724	570		601	1,895	
Other Revenue		1,571			1,571	
Total Cash Receipts	15,194	117,114	4,126	601	137,035	
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:						
General Government	18,741				18,741	
Public Safety	200	5,796			5,996	
Public Works		72,884			72,884	
Debt Service:						
Redemption of Principal			2,681		2,681	
Interest and Fiscal Charges		40.0-0	1,171		1,171	
Capital Outlay		10,979			10,979	
Total Cash Disbursements	18,941	89,659	3,852	0	112,452	
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(3,747)	27,455	274	601	24,583	
Other Financing Receipts/ (Disbursements):						
Transfers-In	26,740	1,703			28,443	
Transfers-Out		(28,443)			(28,443)	
Other Sources	55				55	
Other Uses		(55)			(55)	
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	26,795	(26,795)	0	0	0	
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing						
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements						
and Other Financing Disbursements	23,048	660	274	601	24,583	
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	5,017	43,766	17,227	6,362	72,372	
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$28,065	\$44,426	\$17,501	\$6,963	\$96,955	
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$668	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$668	

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Enoch Township, Noble County (the Township), 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 Township is directed by a publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees. The Township provides road and bridge maintenance, cemetery maintenance, and fire protection. The Township contracts with the Caldwell Volunteer Fire Department to provide fire services.

The Township's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Township 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 and Investments

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

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 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 (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Township had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

Road and Bridge Fund - This fund receives property tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads and bridges.

Gasoline Tax Fund - This fund receives gasoline tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund - This fund receives motor vehicle license tax money for constructing, maintaining and repairing Township roads.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Fund Accounting (Continued)

3. Debt Service Funds

The debt service fund is used to accumulate resources for the payment of bonds and note indebtedness. The Township had the following significant Debt Service Fund:

Bond Retirement Fund – This fund is used to accumulate gasoline tax revenue for the retirement of debt related to the purchase of a tractor and backhoe.

4. Fiduciary Funds (Trust Funds)

These funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements. The Township had the following significant Fiduciary Fund:

Archers Ridge Cemetery Fund – A nonexpendable trust fund, where the principal is invested and the interest earnings are used for cemetery maintenance.

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 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 re-appropriated. The Township did not encumber all commitments required by Ohio law.

A summary of 2002 and 2001 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, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

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

	2002	2001
Demand deposits	\$97,839	\$90,354
Certificates of deposit	6,601	6,601
Total deposits	\$104,440	\$96,955

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. At December 31, 2002, \$11,844 was uncollateralized and at December 31, 2001, \$12,178 was uncollateralized.

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2002 and 2001 follows:

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
	Budgeted	Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance	
General	\$10,638	\$16,150	\$5,512	
Special Revenue	81,267	84,907	3,640	
Debt Service	4,126	4,126	0	
Fiduciary	650	0	(650)	
Total	\$96,681	\$105,183	\$8,502	
2002 Budgeted vs.	Actual Budgetary	Basis Expenditure	es	
	Appropriation	Budgetary		
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance	
General	\$39,370	\$20,986	\$18,384	
Special Revenue	125,694	75,898	49,796	
Debt Service	21,627	3,445	18,182	
Fiduciary	7,614	241	7,373	
Total	\$194,305	\$100,570	\$93,735	
2001 Bu	dgeted vs. Actual	Receipts		
	Budgeted	Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance	
General	\$37,224	\$41,989	\$4,765	
Special Revenue	105,401	118,817	13,416	
Debt Service	4,126	4,126	0	
Fiduciary	420	601	181	
Total	\$147,171	\$165,533	\$18,362	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

2001 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$43,447	\$19,609	\$23,838
Special Revenue	154,871	118,157	36,714
Debt Service	21,353	3,852	17,501
Fiduciary	6,783	0	6,783
Total	\$226,454	\$141,618	\$84,836

4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by Board of Trustees. 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 payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Public utilities are also taxed on personal and real property located within the Township.

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.

5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2002 was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
Prommissory Notes	\$16,087	6%
Total	\$16,087	

The promissory notes were issued to finance the purchase of a new tractor and backhoe to be used for Township road and other maintenance. The note is collateralized by the Township's tractor and backhoe with debt being retired through a Debt Service Fund with gasoline tax revenue.

Amortization of the above debt, including interest, is scheduled as follows:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001 (Continued)

5. DEBT (Continued)

	Promissory
Year ending December 31:	Notes
2003	\$3,573
2004	3,396
2005	3,222
2006	3,052
2007	2,886
2008	2,846
Total	\$18,975

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Township's employees and elected officials 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.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2002 and 2001, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Township contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2002.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

Commercial Insurance

The Township has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

The Township also provides health and life insurance coverage to its elected officials through a private carrier.

8. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Township is defendant in a lawsuit. Although the outcome of this suit is not presently determinable, management believes that the resolution of this matter will not materially adversely affect the Township's financial condition.

Amounts received from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Any disallowed costs may require refunding to the grantor. Amounts which may be disallowed, if any, are not presently determinable. However, based on prior experience, management believes such refunds, if any, would not be material.

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

Enoch Township Noble County 22496 State Route 564 Caldwell, Ohio 43724

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Enoch Township, Noble County, Ohio (the Township), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated May 15, 2003. 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 Township'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 2002-001. We also noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 15, 2003.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township'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 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. However, we noted matters involving the internal control over financial reporting the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to the management of the Township in a separate letter dated May 15, 2003.

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Betty Montgomery

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

May 15, 2003

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

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

FINDING NUMBER 2002-001

Noncompliance Citation

Ohio Rev. Code Section 5705.41(D) states that no orders or contracts involving the expenditure of money are to be made unless there is a certificate of the fiscal officer 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.

The following exceptions to the basic requirement are provided by statute:

- A. Then and Now Certificate This exception provides that, if the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time the contract or order was made and at the time that she is completing her certification, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any encumbrance, the taxing authority can authorize the drawing of a warrant. The taxing authority has 30 days from the receipt of such certificate to approve payment by resolution or ordinance. If approval is not made within 30 days, there is no legal liability on the part of the subdivision or taxing district.
- B. Amounts of less than \$1,000, (which was increased to \$3,000 on April 7, 2003), may be paid by the fiscal officer without such affirmation of the taxing authority upon completion of the "then and now" certificate, provided that the expenditure is otherwise lawful. This does not eliminate any otherwise applicable requirement for approval of expenditures by the taxing authority.

The Township did not have a statement attached indicating the purchase was lawfully appropriated or in the process of collection to the credit of the appropriate fund, free from any previous encumbrance for 67% of the transactions tested.

We recommend the Township Clerk certify the availability of funds prior to incurring any obligations. When prior certification is not practicable, we encourage the Clerk to utilize "then and now" certificates.

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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i> :
2000-41061-001	Property tax revenue was credited to the incorrect fund, in violation of Section 5705.10 Rev. Code	No	Partially Corrected; Repeated for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 as a Management Letter citation.
2000-41061-002	No prior certification of the expenditures, in violation of Section 5705.41(D) Rev. Code	No	Not Corrected; the noncompliance citation is repeated for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 as Finding Number 2002-001 in the GAGAS letter.
2000-41061-003	Appropriations were exceeded by actual expenditures, in violation of Section 5705.41(B) Rev. Code	Yes	N/A



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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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED AUGUST 26, 2003