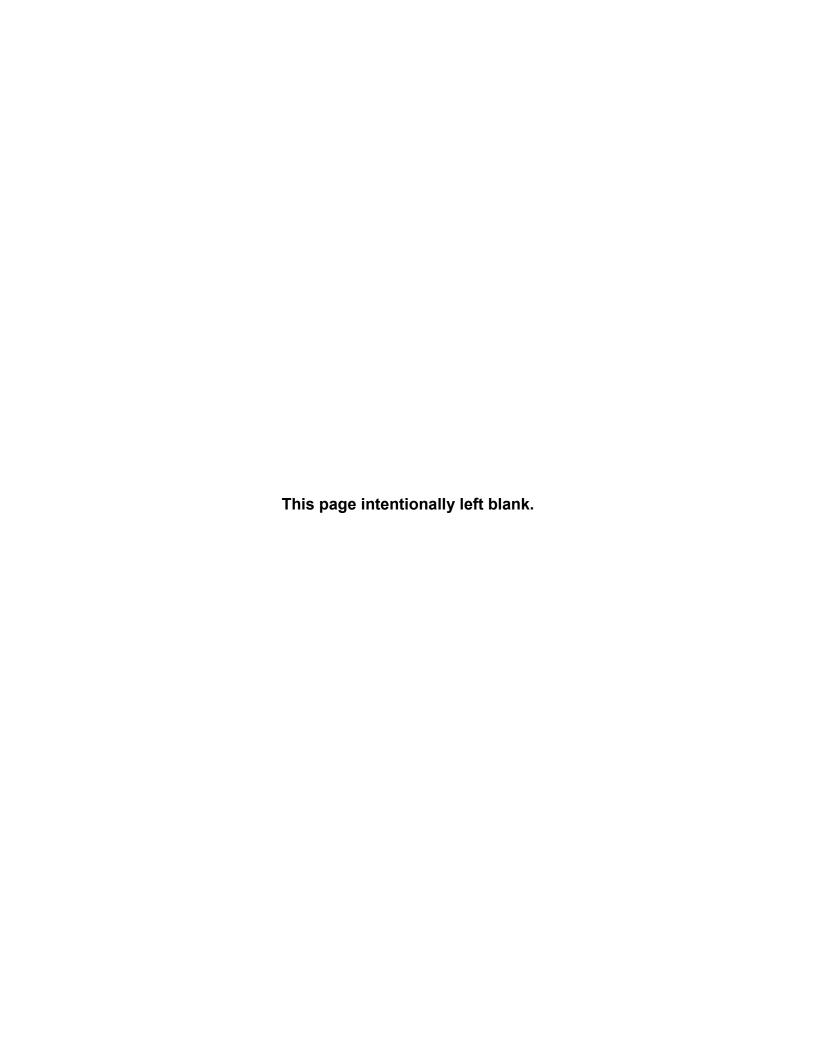




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District Board of Health Defiance County 197-C Island Park Avenue Defiance, Ohio 43512-2551

To the Board of Health:

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.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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August 11, 2005

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

District Board of Health Defiance County 197-C Island Park Avenue Defiance, Ohio 43512-2551

To the Board of Health:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of District Board of Health, Defiance County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District'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. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the District 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.

Revisions to GAAP would require the District to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the year ended December 31, 2004. Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2004, the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e. major) funds separately for 2004. While the District 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 governments to reformat their statements. The District has elected

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not to reformat its statements. Since this District 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.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the year ended December 31, 2004 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2004, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, 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 District Board of Health, Defiance County, as of December 31, 2004, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the District to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2004. The District 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 11, 2005, on our consideration of the District'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.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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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, 2004

_	Governmental Fund Types		_
Out Built	General	Special Revenue	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Grants Deregulation	\$11,430 12,472	\$377,890	\$389,320 12,472
Levies Fees	664,103 170,153	103,296	664,103 273,449
Licenses Contractual services Other receipts	460 27,241 2,418	43,913 2,732	460 71,154 5,150
Total Cash Receipts	888,277	527,831	1,416,108
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries Supplies Remittances to State	502,030 53,524	69,349 97 11,100	571,379 53,621 11,100
Equipment Contracts - Repair	21,985 773		21,985 773
Contracts - Services Travel Project Expenditures	26,956 15,595	3,025 5,723 434,397	29,981 21,318 434,397
Insurance Advertising and printing	4,310	4,069	4,069 4,310
Public employee's retirement Worker's compensation Other Disbursements	71,158 3,541 150,624	9,151 575 18,836	80,309 4,116 169,460
Total Cash Disbursements	850,496	556,322	1,406,818
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	37,781	(28,491)	9,290
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements): Transfers-In		53,060	53,060
Transfers-Out Refunds Reimbursements	(49,550) 1,859 5,347	(3,510)	(53,060) 1,859 5,347
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	(42,344)	49,550	7,206
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	(4.502)	24.050	40.400
and Other Financing Disbursements	(4,563)	21,059	16,496
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	763,244	85,439	848,683
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$758,681	\$106,498	\$865,179
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$6,462	\$3,900	\$10,362

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

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 of the District Board of Health, Defiance County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. A five-member Board and a Health Commissioner govern the District. The District's services include recording of vital statistics, inspection of food service facilities, water wells, sewers, campgrounds, trailer parks, swimming pools, and they act upon various complaints made to the District Board of Health concerning the health and welfare of the County.

The District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the District 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 accounting basis. The District recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned and recognizes disbursements 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 adequately disclose material matters the Auditor of State's accounting basis requires.

C. Cash

As required by Ohio Revised Code, the County Treasurer is custodian for the District's cash. The County's cash and investment pool holds the District's assets, valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

D. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The District classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those restricted by law or contract.

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or for capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

<u>Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Fund</u> - This is a Federal grant fund accounts for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 (Continued)

<u>Public Health Infrastructure Fund</u> - This is a Federal grant fund used for the control of communicable diseases, chronic diseases, chronic diseases and disorders, and other preventable health conditions.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to budget each fund annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure and amendments thereto. 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.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2004 budgetary activity appears in Note 2.

F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The District records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year ended December 31, 2004 follows:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 (Continued)

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$891,666	\$895,483	\$3,817
Special Revenue	576,342	580,891	4,549
Total	\$1,468,008	\$1,476,374	\$8,366

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$1,654,910	\$906,508	\$748,402
Special Revenue	629,522	563,732	65,790
Total	\$2,284,432	\$1,470,240	\$814,192

3. PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

The County Commissioners serve as a special taxing authority for a special levy outside the tenmill limitation to provide the District with sufficient funds for health programs. The one mill levy generated \$664,103. The financial statements present these amounts as levy receipts.

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2004, OPERS members contributed 8.5 percent of their gross salaries. The District contributed an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2004.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Pool Membership

The District belongs to the Public Entities Pool of Ohio (PEP), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio local governments. PEP provides property and casualty coverage for its members. PEP is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP). Member governments pay annual contributions to fund PEP. PEP pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

Casualty Coverage

PEP retains casualty risks up to \$250,000 per claim, including loss adjustment expenses. PEP pays a percentage of its contributions to APEEP. APEEP reinsures claims exceeding \$250,000, up to \$1,750,000 per claim and \$5,000,000 in the aggregate per year. Governments can elect additional coverage, from \$2,000,000 to \$10,000,000 from the General Reinsurance Corporation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 (Continued)

If losses exhaust PEP's retained earnings, APEEP covers PEP losses up to \$5,000,000 per year, subject to a per-claim limit of \$2,000,000.

Property Coverage

PEP retains property risks, including automobile physical damage, up to \$100,000 on any specific loss in any one occurrence. The Travelers Indemnity Company reinsures losses exceeding \$100,000 up to \$500,000,000 per occurrence. APEEP's Guarantee Fund pays losses and loss adjustment expenses exceeding operating contributions.

The aforementioned casualty and property reinsurance agreements do not discharge PEP's primary liability for claims payments on covered losses. Claims exceeding coverage limits are the obligation of the respective local government.

Financial Position

PEP's financial statements (audited by other accountants) conform with generally accepted accounting principles, and reported the following assets, liabilities and retained earnings at December 31:

Casualty Coverage	2004	2003
Assets	\$30,547,049	\$25,288,098
Liabilities	(16,989,918)	(12,872,985)
Retained earnings	\$13,557,131	\$12,415,113
Property Coverage	2004	2003
Assets	\$3,652,970	\$3,158,813
Liabilities	(544,771)	(792,061)
Retained earnings	\$3,108,199	\$2,366,752



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

District Board of Health Defiance County 197-C Island Park Avenue Defiance, Ohio 43512-2551

To the Members of the Board:

We have audited the financial statements of District Board of Health, Defiance County, (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated August 11, 2005, wherein we noted the District followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 District's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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 caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District'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

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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*. In a separate letter to the District's management dated August 11, 2005, we reported a matter related to noncompliance we deemed immaterial.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the finance committee, management, and Board of Health. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

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August 11, 2005



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DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH DEFIANCE 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 30, 2005