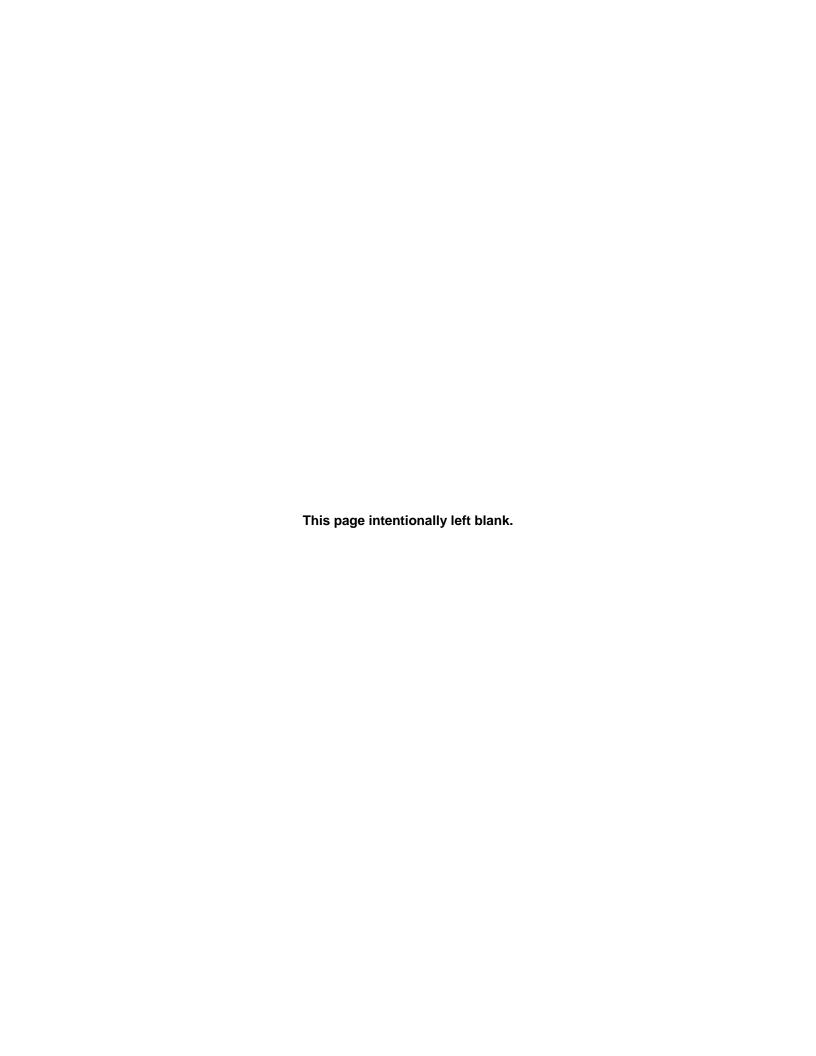




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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Regional Planning Commission Auglaize County 209 South Blackhoof Street Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Commissioners:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Regional Planning Commission, Auglaize County, (the Commission), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Commission'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 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 Commission 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.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balance of the Regional Planning Commission, Auglaize County, as of December 31, 2003, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 16, 2005, on our consideration of the Commission'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

Betty Montgomeny

June 16, 2005

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# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Governmental Fund Type
	General
Cash Receipts: Fees Charged to Subdivisions	\$4,622
Total Cash Receipts	4,622
Cash Disbursements: Salaries Supplies Public Employee's Retirement Worker's Compensation Other	1,020 9 161 9 418
Total Disbursements	1,617
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	3,005
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	1,817
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$4,822

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

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 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 for the Regional Planning Commission, Auglaize County, (the Commission) as a body corporate and politic. A fifty-four member Board governs the Commission. The Board consists of representatives from participating political subdivisions, the county commissioners, and appointed citizens. The Commission formulates and reviews plans affecting long and short term social, economic, and governmental development within the region. The participating subdivisions are:

Auglaize County	Village of Cridersville	Goshen Township
Buckland Village	Duchouquet Township	Jackson Township
Clay Township	German Township	Logan Township
Village of Minster	Moulton Township	Village of New Bremen
Village of New Knoxville	Noble Township	Pusheta Township
Salem Township	City of St. Marys	St. Marys Township
Union Township	Village of Uniopolis	City of Wapakoneta
Washington Township	Village of Waynesfield	

The Commission's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Commission 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. 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

As the Ohio Revised Code requires, the Auglaize County Treasurer is the custodian of the Commission's monies. The County holds the Commission's assets in its cash and investment pool, valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying amount.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Commission uses fund accounting and classifies its fund into the following type:

#### 1. General Fund

The General Fund reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2003 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### E. Property, Plant, and Equipment

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

#### 2. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Commission'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 2003, OPERS members contributed 8.5 percent of their gross salaries. The Commission contributed an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Commission has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2003.



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

Regional Planning Commission Auglaize County 209 South Blackhoof Street Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895

To the Board of Commissioners:

We have audited the financial statements of the Regional Planning Commission, Auglaize County, (the Commission), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated June 16, 2005. 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 Commission'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 Commission'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 management and Board of Commissioners. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

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June 16, 2005

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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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED AUGUST 4, 2005