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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District Hardin County P.O. Box 83 Alger, Ohio 45812

To the Board of Trustees:

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 an 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 adverse 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.

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May 20, 2010

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District Hardin County P.O. Box 83 Alger, Ohio 45812

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District, Hardin County (the District), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. 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.

GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the District's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. 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 GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Districts to reformat their statements. The District has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. 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 years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 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, 2009 and 2008, or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances of the Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District, Hardin County, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

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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 May 20, 2010, 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.

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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

May 20, 2010

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Cash Receipts:	
Property Taxes	\$43,375
Intergovernmental	14,980
Charges for Services	46,009
Interest	3,976
Total Cash Receipts	108,340
Cash Disbursements:	
Current:	
Salary	5,750
E.M.T. Expense	8,315
Office Supplies	2,054
Equipment (purchase/repair)	9,522
Insurance	8,493
Vehicle Fuel	2,632
Vehicle Repairs	2,460
Employer OPERS/Medicare	941
Licenses/Fees	150
Bureau of Workers' Compensation	251
Medical Supplies	6,668
County Auditor/Treasurer Fees	1,047
Rent	6,000
E.M.T. Run Reimbursements	20,460
Collection Fees	3,702
Miscellaneous	3,063
Capital Outlay	15,921
Total Cash Disbursements	97,429
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	10,911
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	184,628
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$195,539

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

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGE IN FUND CASH BALANCE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Cash Receipts:	
Property Taxes	\$42,769
Intergovernmental	12,808
Charges for Services	6,046
Interest	5,555
Donations	12,000
Total Cash Receipts	79,178
Cash Disbursements:	
Current:	
Salary	7,800
E.M.T. Expense	7,573
Office Supplies	1,015
Equipment (purchase/repair)	3,610
Insurance	8,654
Vehicle Fuel	2,923
Vehicle Repairs	1,193
Emplouer OPERS/Medicare	1,184
Licenses/Fees	430
Bureau of Workers' Compensation	178
Medical Supplies	4,576
County Auditor/Treasurer Fees	1,514
Rent	6,750
State Audit	2,949
E.M.T. Run Reimbursements	8,730
Miscellaneous	3,428
Capital Outlay	3,979
Total Cash Disbursements	66,486
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	12,692
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	171,936
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$184,628

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

#### 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 Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District, Hardin County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. A five-member Board of Trustees governs the District. Each political subdivision within the District appoints one member. Those subdivisions are Marion Township, McDonald Township, Roundhead Township, the Village of Alger, and the Village of McGuffey. The District provides ambulance services within the District.

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

#### B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the accounting basis 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 include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Deposits and Investments

The District's accounting basis includes investments as assets. This basis does not record disbursements for investment purchases or receipts for investment sales. This basis records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively. The District maintained all money in deposit accounts.

The accounting basis values certificates of deposit at cost.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The District 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.

#### E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008 (Continued)

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

#### 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. Appropriations lapse at year end.

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

#### 3. Encumbrances

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

A summary of 2009 and 2008 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### 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.

#### 2. EQUITY IN DEPOSITS

The District maintains all money in deposits. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits. The carrying amount of deposits at December 31 was as follows:

2009	2008
\$ 29,030	\$ 22,093
166,509	162,535
\$195,539	\$184,628
	\$ 29,030 166,509

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by the financial institution to the District.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2009 and 2008 follows:

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$157,491	\$108,340	\$49,151

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$342,119	\$97,429	\$244,690

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$80,893	\$79,178	\$1,715

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$252,829	\$66,486	\$186,343

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which the Trustees adopted tax rates. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The financial statements include homestead and rollback amounts the State pays as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to pay semiannually, 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. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The District's one employee belongs to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) of Ohio. OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plans' benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2009 and 2008, OPERS members contributed participants contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the District contributed an amount equaling 14%, of participant's gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2009.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008 (Continued)

## 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

### **Commercial Insurance**

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles



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

Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District Hardin County P.O. Box 83 Alger, Ohio 45812

To the District Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Upper Scioto Valley Ambulance District, Hardin County, (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated May 20, 2010, 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 Government's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the Government's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Government's internal control over financial reporting.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Government's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **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 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 did note certain matters not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the District's management in a separate letter dated May 20, 2010.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the management and Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

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Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

May 20, 2010





## UPPER SCIOTO VALLEY AMBULANCE DISTRICT

# HARDIN 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 JULY 8, 2010

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