SALT CREEK TOWNSHIP HOCKING COUNTY Regular Audit For the Years Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009

> *Perry & Associates* Certified Public Accountants, A.C.



# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Trustees Salt Creek Township 16744 State Route 56 Laurelville, Ohio 43135

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of Salt Creek Township, Hocking County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the audit period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State 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. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. Salt Creek Township is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost Auditor of State

July 7, 2011

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#### **INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

May 27, 2011

Salt Creek Township Hocking County 16744 State Route 56 Laurelville, OH 43135

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Salt Creek Township**, Hocking County, Ohio, (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. 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 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 Township 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.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Township's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Township 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 Townships to reformat their statements. The Township 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.

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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, 2010 and 2009 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Township as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, 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 combined fund cash balances of Salt Creek Township, Hocking County, Ohio as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Township 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 27, 2011 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 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.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Governmental Fund Types							
	General		Special Revenue		Permanent Fund			Totals morandum Only)
Cash Receipts:								
Local Taxes	\$	38,763	\$	77,876	\$	-	\$	116,639
Intergovernmental	·	33,137		126,308		-	·	159,445
Earnings on Investments		308		151		-		459
Miscellaneous				350				350
Total Cash Receipts		72,208		204,685				276,893
Cash Disbursements:								
Current:								
General Government		51,366		2,477		-		53,843
Public Safety		-		16,346		-		16,346
Public Works		980		172,800		-		173,780
Debt Service:								
Redemption of Principal		200		8,755		-		8,955
Interest and Fiscal Charges				792		-		792
Total Cash Disbursements		52,546		201,170				253,716
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		19,662		3,515		-		23,177
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):								
Other Financing Sources		74		-		-		74
Other Financing Uses		(216)				-		(216)
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)		(142)						(142)
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing								
Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements								
and Other Financing Disbursements		19,520		3,515		-		23,035
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		10,483		187,542		277		198,302
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	30,003	\$	191,057	\$	277	\$	221,337

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, 2009

	Governmental Fund Types					
	G	eneral	Special Revenue	Permanen Fund	t (N	Totals /Iemorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:						
Local Taxes	\$	42,432	\$ 92,312	\$ -	\$	134,744
Intergovernmental		13,927	109,003	-		122,930
Earnings on Investments		288	160	-		448
Miscellaneous		1,376	1,122			2,498
Total Cash Receipts		58,023	202,597			260,620
Cash Disbursements:						
Current:						
General Government		61,142	3,194	-		64,336
Public Safety		-	16,871	-		16,871
Public Works		765	140,609	-		141,374
Health		450	-	-		450
Debt Service:						
Redemption of Principal		-	8,955	-		8,955
Interest and Fiscal Charges		180	396			576
Total Cash Disbursements		62,537	170,025			232,562
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements		(4,514)	32,572			28,058
Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):						
Other Financing Sources		1,365	-	-		1,365
Other Financing Uses		(151)				(151)
Total Other Financing Receipts		1,214				1,214
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing						
Receipts Over Cash Disbursements		(3,300)	32,572			29,272
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		13,783	154,970	277		169,030
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	10,483	\$ 187,542	\$ 277	\$	198,302

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

#### 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 Salt Creek Township, Hocking County, (the Township) as a body corporate and politic. A publicly-elected three-member Board of Trustees directs the Township. The Township provides general governmental services including road and bridge maintenance and fire protection. The Township contracts with the Village of Laurelville to provide fire services.

The Township participates in the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority public entity risk pool. Note 7 to the financial statements provides additional information for this entity. This organization is:

Public Entity Risk Pool:

The Township belongs to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio townships. OTARMA provides property and casualty coverage for its members.

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

#### **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 reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

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

#### 2. Special Revenue Funds

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

<u>Gasoline Tax Fund</u> - This fund receives gasoline tax money to pay for constructing, maintaining, and repairing Township roads.

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

#### 3. Permanent Funds

These funds account for assets held under a trust agreement that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, are available to support the Township's programs. The Township had the following significant Permanent Fund:

<u>Phillips Cemetery Bequest Fund</u> – The Cemetery Bequest Fund is used to accumulate interest for cemetery maintenance and repairs.

#### 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. 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 Township to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2010 and 2009 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

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

#### F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Township 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. EQUITY IN POOLED DEPOSITS

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

	 2010		2009
Demand deposits	\$ 221,337	\$	198,302
Total deposits	\$ 221,337	\$	198,302

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or collateralized by securities specifically pledged by the financial institution to the Township or collateralized by the financial institution's public entity deposit pool.

#### **BUDGETARY ACTIVITY** 3.

Budgetary activity for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 follows:

2010 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts						
	В	Budgeted		Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts		Receipts Receipts		Variance	
General	\$	68,682	\$	72,282	\$	3,600
Special Revenue		198,310		204,685		6,375
Total	\$	266,992	\$	276,967	\$	9,975

2010 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures						
Appropriation Budget			udgetary			
Fund Type	Authority		Authority Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	79,165	\$	52,762	\$	26,403
Special Revenue		386,129		201,170		184,959
Total	\$	465,294	\$	253,932	\$	211,362

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts						
	В	udgeted		Actual		
Fund Type	Receipts		eipts Receipts		Variance	
General	\$	57,000	\$	59,388	\$	2,388
Special Revenue		188,299		202,597		14,298
Total	\$	245,299	\$	261,985	\$	16,686

2009 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures						
Appropriation Budgetary						
Fund Type	Authority		Authority Expenditures		Variance	
General	\$	69,253	\$	62,688	\$	6,565
Special Revenue		339,462		170,025		169,437
Total	\$	408,715	\$	232,713	\$	176,002

#### 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. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2010 was as follows:

	Pı	rincipal	Interest Rate
Truck Loan	\$	13,366	4.85%

The truck loan was for the purchase of a truck for \$22,276 from The Vinton County National Bank in 2008. The loan will be paid off in equal annual installments of \$5,124, including interest. The first payment was made March 31, 2009. The final payment is due April 11, 2013.

The Township purchased a backhoe in 2005 in the amount of \$22,500. This note was repaid by the Township in 2010.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

#### 5. **DEBT (CONTINUED)**

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

Year ending December 31:	True	ck Loan
2011	\$	5,124
2012		5,124
2013		5,124
Total	\$	15,372

#### 6. **RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

The Township's elected officials and employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. 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 2010 and 2009, OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the Township contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. The Township has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2010.

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of property and casualty losses, and injuries to employees.

The Township insures against injuries to employees through the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation.

The Township belongs to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA), a risk-sharing pool available to Ohio townships. OTARMA provides property and casualty coverage for its members. American Risk Pooling Consultants, Inc. (ARPCO), a division of York Insurance Services Group, Inc. (York), functions as the administrator of OTARMA and provides underwriting, claims, loss control, risk management, and reinsurance services for OTARMA. OTARMA is a member of the American Public Entity Excess Pool (APEEP), which is also administered by ARPCO. Member governments pay annual contributions to fund OTARMA. OTARMA pays judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from covered claims that exceed the members' deductibles.

#### Casualty and Property Coverage

APEEP provides OTARMA with an excess risk-sharing program. Under this arrangement, OTARMA retains insured risks up to an amount specified in the contracts. At December 31, 2009, OTARMA retained \$350,000 for casualty claims and \$150,000 for property claims.

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009 (Continued)

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

#### **Financial Position**

OTARMA'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, 2009 and 2008 (the latest information available):

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Assets	\$38,982,088	\$40,737,740
Liabilities	(12,880,766)	<u>(12,981,818)</u>
Net Assets	<u>\$26,101,322</u>	<u>\$27,755,922</u>

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

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, the liabilities above include approximately \$12.0 and \$12.1 million of estimated incurred claims payable. The assets above also include approximately \$11.5 and \$10.9 million of unpaid claims to be billed to approximately 950 member governments in the future, as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. These amounts will be included in future contributions from members when the related claims are due for payment. As of December 31, 2009, the Township's share of these unpaid claims collectible in future years is approximately \$19,000.

Based on discussions with OTARMA, the expected rates OTARMA charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to OTARMA for each year of membership.

<b>Contributions to OTARMA</b>				
<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>			
\$ 4,011	\$ 3,876			

Based on discussions with OTARMA, the expected rates OTARMA charges to compute member contributions, which are used to pay claims as they become due, are not expected to change significantly from those used to determine the historical contributions detailed below. By contract, the annual liability of each member is limited to the amount of financial contributions required to be made to OTARMA for each year of membership.

After one year of membership, a member may withdraw on the anniversary of the date of joining OTARMA, if the member notifies OTARMA in writing 60 days prior to the anniversary date. Upon withdrawal, members are eligible for a full or partial refund of their capital contributions, minus the subsequent year's contribution. Withdrawing members have no other future obligation to the pool. Also upon withdrawal, payments for all casualty claims and claim expenses become the sole responsibility of the withdrawing member, regardless of whether a claim occurred or was reported prior to the withdrawal.

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

May 27, 2011

Salt Creek Township Hocking County 16744 State Route 56 Laurelville, OH 43135

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of **Salt Creek Township**, Hocking County, Ohio (the Township) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated May 27, 2011, wherein we noted the Township 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 Township'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 Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. Therefore, we cannot assure that we have identified all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider material weaknesses.

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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected. We consider findings 2010-001 and 2010-002 described in the accompanying schedule of audit findings to be material weaknesses.

Salt Creek Township Hocking County Independent Accountants' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Township'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 a certain matter not requiring inclusion in this report that we reported to the Township's management in a separate letter dated May 27, 2011.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Perry Amocutes CAAJ A. C.

**Perry and Associates** Certified Public Accountants, A.C.

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

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

#### FINDING NUMBER 2010-001

#### **Material Weakness**

#### **Posting Receipts and Expenditures**

Receipts and expenditures should be posted to the fund and line item accounts as established by Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-7-01.

Receipts and expenditures were not always posted correctly. The following posting errors were noted:

- Federal Withholding Taxes EFT's were not posted to Township's UAN system in 2010.
- Debt payments were posted as Capital Outlay instead of Redemption of Principal and Interest and Fiscal Charges in 2009 and 2010.

Not posting revenues and disbursements accurately resulted in the financial statements requiring several reclassifications and adjustments. The Township has made all adjustments to its accounting system, and the financial statements reflect all reclassifications and adjustments.

To help ensure accuracy and reliability in the financial reporting process, we recommend that management perform a detailed review of its draft financial statements. Such review should include procedures to ensure that all sources of revenues and expenditures are properly identified and classified on the financial statements.

We also recommend the Fiscal Officer refer to Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-7-01 and/or the Ohio Township Handbook for guidance to determine the proper establishment of receipt and expenditure accounts and posting of receipts and expenditures.

Management's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

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

#### FINDING NUMBER 2010-002

#### **Material Weakness**

#### **Permanent Fund**

The Township classified the Phillips Cemetery Bequest Fund as a special revenue fund type in the accounting system. Upon review, it was determined this fund should be classified as a permanent fund.

This resulted in the financial statements requiring a fund balance adjustment to properly reflect the bequest fund. The Township agreed with the adjustment and has made this adjustment to its accounting system.

We recommend the Township continue to reflect this bequest fund as a permanent fund.

Management's Response – We did not receive a response from officials to this finding.

### SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009

	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i>
2008-001	Accounting for Receipts and Expenditures	No	Not Corrected, Repeated as Finding 2010-001



# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

SALT CREEK TOWNSHIP

**HOCKING 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 19, 2011

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