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**NORTHEAST CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Northeast Champaign County Fire District  
Champaign County  
PO Box 142  
North Lewisburg, Ohio 43060

To the Board of Trustees:

### ***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements and related notes of the Northeast Champaign County Fire District, Champaign County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit; this responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinion.

### ***Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the District prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D), which is an accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to satisfy these requirements.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and GAAP, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Though the District does not intend these statements to conform to GAAP, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America require us to include an adverse opinion on GAAP. However, the adverse opinion does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. Our opinion on this accounting basis permitted is in the *Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting* paragraph below.

***Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, or changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended.

***Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined cash balances of the Northeast Champaign County Fire District, Champaign County, as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended in accordance with the financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit, described in Note 1.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 10, 2015, 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. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**Dave Yost**  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

April 10, 2015

**NORTHEAST CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

**COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014**

	All Fund Types			Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$317,741	\$70,567		\$388,308
Charges for Services		115,797		115,797
Intergovernmental	48,564	47,630	\$266,570	362,764
Earnings on Investments	303			303
Miscellaneous	1,983			1,983
Total Cash Receipts	368,591	233,994	266,570	869,155
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>				
<b>Current Disbursements:</b>				
General Government	87,699			87,699
Public Safety	262,895	153,506		416,401
Capital Outlay			266,570	266,570
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
Principal Retirement		18,644		18,644
Interest and Fiscal Charges		540		540
Total Cash Disbursements	350,594	172,690	266,570	789,854
Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	17,997	61,304		79,301
<b>Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements):</b>				
Sale of Capital Assets	3,570			3,570
Other Financing Sources	29,048	638		29,686
Total Other Financing Receipts (Disbursements)	32,618	638		33,256
Net Change in Fund Cash Balance	50,615	61,942		112,557
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	157,256	44,550		201,806
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31:</b>				
Restricted		106,492		106,492
Unassigned (Deficit)	207,871			207,871
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$207,871	\$106,492	\$0	\$314,363

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

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AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013**

	<u>All Fund Types</u>			<b>Totals (Memorandum Only)</b>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>				
Property and Other Local Taxes	\$290,377	\$69,718		\$360,095
Charges for Services		53,895		53,895
Intergovernmental	51,252	30,969	\$66,500	148,721
Earnings on Investments	229			229
Miscellaneous	13,289			13,289
Total Cash Receipts	<u>355,147</u>	<u>154,582</u>	<u>66,500</u>	<u>576,229</u>
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>				
<b>Current Disbursements:</b>				
General Government	109,170			109,170
Public Safety	250,490	90,729		341,219
Capital Outlay			66,500	66,500
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
Principal Retirement		18,236		18,236
Interest and Fiscal Charges		1,067		1,067
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>359,660</u>	<u>110,032</u>	<u>66,500</u>	<u>536,192</u>
Total Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	<u>(4,513)</u>	<u>44,550</u>		<u>40,037</u>
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	<u>161,769</u>			<u>161,769</u>
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31:</b>				
Restricted		44,550		44,550
Unassigned (Deficit)	157,256			157,256
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$157,256</u>	<u>\$44,550</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$201,806</u>

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

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CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

**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 Northeast Champaign County Fire District, Champaign County, (the District) as a body corporate and politic. A four-member Board of Trustees governs the District. Each political subdivision within the District appoints one voting member and one alternate member. Those subdivisions are North Lewisburg, Woodstock, Rush Township and Wayne Township. The District provides fire protection and rescue services within the District and by contract to areas outside 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 permitted by the financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D). This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Board 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 financial reporting provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

**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 has no investments.

**D. Fund Accounting**

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

**1. General Fund**

The General Fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

**2. Special Revenue Funds**

These funds account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The District had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Ambulance and EMS Fund** - This fund receives revenue from billing for emergency runs. This revenue is used for the payment of emergency medical apparatus and equipment, management, EMS training, maintenance and operation of ambulance and emergency medical services for the District.

**Fire Levy Fund** – This fund receives revenue from a special tax levied for fire protection. This revenue is used for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, and buildings.

**3. Capital Project Funds**

These funds account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The District had the following significant capital project fund:

**FEMA Fund** – This fund was used for the purchase of a new Tanker Tender with the help of a FEMA Grant.

**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. 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 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 canceled, and re-appropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2014 and 2013 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

**F. Fund Balance**

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District must observe constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. The classifications are as follows:

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

**1. Non-spendable**

The District classifies assets as *non-spendable* when legally or contractually required to maintain the amounts intact.

**2. Restricted**

Fund balance is *restricted* when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

**3. Committed**

Trustees can *commit* amounts via formal action (resolution). The District must adhere to these commitments unless the Trustees amend the resolution. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed to satisfy contractual requirements.

**4. Assigned**

Assigned fund balances are intended for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as *restricted* or *committed*. Governmental funds other than the general fund report all fund balances as *assigned* unless they are restricted or committed. In the general fund, *assigned* amounts represent intended uses established by District Trustees or a District official delegated that authority by resolution, or by State Statute.

**5. Unassigned**

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not included in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

**G. 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.

**H. 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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**2. EQUITY IN POOLED DEPOSITS**

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

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Demand deposits	\$314,363	\$201,806

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

**3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2014 and 2013 follows:

**2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts**

<b>Fund Type</b>	<b>Budgeted Receipts</b>	<b>Actual Receipts</b>	<b>Variance</b>
General	\$355,600	\$401,209	\$45,609
Special Revenue	234,632	234,632	
Capital Projects	266,570	266,570	
Total	\$856,802	\$902,411	\$45,609

**2014 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures**

<b>Fund Type</b>	<b>Appropriation Authority</b>	<b>Budgetary Expenditures</b>	<b>Variance</b>
General	\$410,199	\$350,594	\$59,605
Special Revenue	172,690	172,690	
Capital Projects	266,570	266,570	
Total	\$849,459	\$789,854	\$59,605

**2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts**

<b>Fund Type</b>	<b>Budgeted Receipts</b>	<b>Actual Receipts</b>	<b>Variance</b>
General	\$413,878	\$355,147	(\$58,731)
Special Revenue	154,582	154,582	
Capital Projects	66,500	66,500	
Total	\$634,960	\$576,229	(\$58,731)

**2013 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures**

<b>Fund Type</b>	<b>Appropriation Authority</b>	<b>Budgetary Expenditures</b>	<b>Variance</b>
General	\$418,215	\$359,660	\$58,555
Special Revenue	110,032	110,032	
Capital Projects	66,500	66,500	
Total	\$594,747	\$536,192	\$58,555

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**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.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the District.

**5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

The District's certified Fire Fighters belong to the Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F). Other employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OP&F and OPERS are cost-sharing, multiple-employer plans. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes these plans' benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. OP&F participants contributed the following of their wages:

- January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013 – 10%
- July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 – 10.75%
- July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 – 11.5%

For 2014 and 2013, the District contributed to OP&F an amount equal to 24% of full-time fire fighters' wages. For 2014 and 2013, OPERS members contributed 10% of their gross salaries and the District contributed an amount equaling 14% of participants' gross salaries. The District has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2014

**6. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Commercial Insurance**

The District has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

**7. COMPLIANCE**

The District failed to comply with the following:

- **ORC §505.371(C)(1)** – accounting for ambulance charges for services in a separate fund.
- **ORC §5705.10(C)** – accounting for special tax levies receipts in a separate fund.
- **ORC §5705.09(F)** – accounting for revenues derived from a source other than the general property tax levy in a separate fund.

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

Northeast Champaign County Fire District  
Champaign County  
PO Box 142  
North Lewisburg, Ohio 43060

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Northeast Champaign County Fire District, Champaign County, (the District) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 10, 2015 wherein we noted the District followed financial reporting provisions Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit.

### ***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of 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 internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider findings 2014-001 and 2014-002, described in the accompanying schedule of findings, to be 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, opining 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 instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*, which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings as items 2014-001 and 2014-002.

***Purpose of this Report***

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Dave Yost**  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

April 10, 2015

**NORTHEAST CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT  
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**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013**

<b>FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS</b>
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**FINDING NUMBER 2014-001**

**Noncompliance and Material Weakness**

**Ohio Rev. Code §505.371(C)** states:

- (1) The board of fire district trustees may establish reasonable charges for the use of ambulance or emergency medical services. The board may establish different charges for residents and nonresidents of the district. The charge for nonresidents shall be an amount not less than the authorized Medicare reimbursement rate, except that if, prior to February 4, 1998, the board had different charges for residents and nonresidents and the charge for nonresidents was less than the authorized Medicare reimbursement rate, the board may charge nonresidents less than the authorized Medicare reimbursement rate.
- (2) In the resolution creating the joint fire district, the political subdivisions that create the district may provide that any of those political subdivisions may agree to pay any charges for the use of ambulance or emergency medical services that the board of fire district trustees establishes under division (C)(1) of this section and that are incurred by the residents of the particular political subdivision. Unless the board elects pursuant to that division to waive all or part of the charges for the use of ambulance or emergency medical services that any resident of the district incurs, the residents of a particular political subdivision that has not so agreed to pay the charges for the use of ambulance or emergency medical services incurred by its residents shall pay those charges.
- (3) Charges collected under division (C) of this section shall be kept in a separate fund designated as the ambulance and emergency medical services fund and shall be appropriated and administered by the board. The fund shall be used for the payment of the costs of the management, maintenance, and operation of ambulance and emergency medical services in the district.

**Ohio Rev. Code §5705.10(C)** states that all revenue derived from a special levy shall be credited to a special fund for the purpose for which the levy was made.

The District recorded revenue from EMS charges in the General fund in the amounts of \$115,797 and \$53,895 for 2014 and 2013, respectively. The District also recorded revenue from a special tax levied for fire protection in the General fund, in the amounts of \$70,567 and \$69,718 during 2014 and 2013, respectively. The District has established the Ambulance and Emergency Medical Services Fund and the Fire Levy Fund and adjusted the accounting records and accompanying financial statements accordingly.

Receipting EMS charges and tax revenues from a special levy into the incorrect fund may cause improper expenditures and findings for adjustment.

We recommend the District review the appropriate authoritative guidance to determine the proper treatment for different sources of funding before posting the revenues related to these sources.

**Officials' Response**

We did not receive a response from officials.

**FINDING NUMBER 2014-002**

**Noncompliance and Material Weakness**

**Ohio Rev. Code §5705.09(F)** requires the District to establish a separate fund for each class of revenues derived from a source other than the general property tax which the law requires to be used for a particular purpose. Additionally, Audit Bulletin 1998-013 contains guidelines for the proper accounting treatment for grants received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Funds received from FEMA should be placed into a special FEMA fund.

The District received \$37,541 and \$20,669 from the FEMA Safer Grant in 2014 and 2013, respectively. These monies were posted to the General fund and should have been placed into a special fund established for the activity of the FEMA grant. The accompanying financial statements and accounting records of the District have been adjusted to properly account for this activity.

Failure to establish a special fund for the receipts of FEMA grants does not allow the District to easily review the activity of the grant and could result in posting errors for receipts and expenditures.

The Fiscal Officer should review Audit Bulletin 1998-013 for the accounting treatment of grants received from FEMA. The District should ensure all future FEMA grants are properly accounted for in a special fund.

**Officials' Response**

We did not receive a response from officials.



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**NORTHEAST CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT**

**CHAMPAIGN 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 Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
JUNE 9, 2015**