

# LIMITED PROCEDURES ENGAGEMENT

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## South Bend Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan Armstrong County, Pennsylvania For the Period January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014

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We conducted a Limited Procedures Engagement (LPE) of the South Bend Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan for the period January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014 to determine its compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, administrative procedures, and local ordinances and policies. We also evaluated compliance with some requirements subsequent to that period when possible. The LPE was conducted pursuant to authority derived from Section 402(j) of the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act (P.L. 1005, No. 205, as amended, 53 P.S. § 895.101 et seq.) but was not conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The act established mandatory actuarial reporting and funding requirements and a uniform basis for the distribution of state aid to Pennsylvania's public pension plans. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis to support our LPE results.

Our LPE was limited to determining the following:

- × Whether municipal officials took appropriate corrective action to address the finding contained in our prior audit report, by inquiring of plan officials and evaluating supporting documentation provided by officials evidencing that the suggested corrective action has been appropriately taken.
- × Whether state aid was properly determined and deposited in accordance with Act 205 requirements by verifying the annual deposit date of state aid and determining whether deposits were made within 30 days of receipt for all years within the engagement period. State aid allocations that were deposited into the pension plan for the years ended December 31, 2009 to December 31, 2014, are presented on the Summary of Deposited State Aid and Employer Contributions.

- × Whether annual employer contributions were calculated and deposited in accordance with the plan's governing document and applicable laws and regulations by examining the municipality's calculation of the plan's annual financial requirements and minimum municipal obligation (MMO) and comparing these calculated amounts to amounts actually budgeted and deposited into the pension plan as evidenced by supporting documentation. Employer contributions that were deposited into the pension plan for the years ended December 31, 2009 to December 31, 2014, are presented on the Summary of Deposited State Aid and Employer Contributions.
- × Whether annual employee contributions were required during the engagement period and, if so, were calculated, deducted, and deposited into the pension plan in accordance with the plan's governing document and applicable laws and regulations by testing members' contributions on an annual basis using the rates obtained from the plan's governing document in effect for all years within the engagement period and examining documents evidencing the deposit of these employee contributions into the pension plan.
- × Whether the January 1, 2011 and January 1, 2013 actuarial valuation reports were prepared and submitted to the Public Employee Retirement Commission (PERC) by March 31, 2012 and 2014, respectively, in accordance with Act 205 and whether selected information provided on these reports is accurate, complete, and in accordance with plan provisions to ensure compliance for participation in the state aid program by comparing selected information to supporting source documentation.

Based on the results of our procedures performed during our LPE, nothing came to our attention indicating that the South Bend Township Non-Uniformed Pension Plan was not being administered in compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, contracts, administrative procedures, and local ordinances and policies.

Our determination to perform a LPE for this engagement period does not preclude the Department from conducting an audit in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* of the pension plan in subsequent periods. The township should continue to maintain documentation related to this pension plan.

The contents of this letter were discussed with officials of South Bend Township and, where appropriate, their responses have been included in this letter. We would like to thank township officials for the cooperation extended to us during the conduct of this LPE.

February 1, 2016



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STATUS OF PRIOR FINDING

Compliance With Prior Audit Recommendation

South Bend Township has complied with the prior audit recommendation concerning the following:

- Excess State Aid Reimbursed To Commonwealth

Plan officials properly reconciled the township's annual state aid allocations with the plan's annual pension costs.

SOUTH BEND TOWNSHIP NON-UNIFORMED PENSION PLAN  
SUMMARY OF DEPOSITED STATE AID AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Year Ended December 31	State Aid	Employer Contributions
2009	\$ 1,566	\$ 1,088
2010	1,891	1,047
2011	1,073	1,464
2012	1,011	482
2013	1,019	541
2014	1,050	1,293

SOUTH BEND TOWNSHIP NON-UNIFORMED PENSION PLAN  
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