

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY 12-203

LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND EXAMINATION REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2006 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Barry J. Schoch, P.E. Secretary
Department of Transportation
Harrisburg, PA 17120

We examined the accompanying Forms MS-965 With Adjustments for the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund of the Township of Lumber, Cameron County, for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2012. The municipality's management is responsible for the Forms MS-965. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. An examination includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the Township of Lumber, Cameron County's Forms MS-965 for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2012 and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are mandated by Section 403 of *The Fiscal Code*, 72 P.S. § 403, to audit each municipality's Liquid Fuels Tax Fund to ensure that funds received are expended in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States include attestation engagements as a separate type of audit. An attestation engagement performed pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards* involves additional standards that exceed the standards provided by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Accordingly, this attestation engagement complies with both *Government Auditing Standards* and Section 403 of *The Fiscal Code*.

As described in Note 4, the adjustments included on the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are made by the Department of the Auditor General.

<u>Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)</u>

In our opinion, the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments present, in all material respects, the information required by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund of the Township of Lumber, Cameron County, for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2012, in conformity with the criteria set forth in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report findings of significant deficiencies in internal control, violations of provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and abuse that are material to the Forms MS-965 and any fraud and illegal acts that are more than inconsequential that come to our attention during our examination. We are also required to obtain the views of management on those matters. We performed our examination to express an opinion on whether the Forms MS-965 are presented in accordance with the criteria described above and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control over reporting on the Forms MS-965 or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Township of Lumber, Cameron County's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report data reliably in accordance with the applicable criteria such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Township of Lumber, Cameron County's Forms MS-965 that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township of Lumber, Cameron County's internal control. We consider the deficiency described in the finding below to be a significant deficiency in internal control over reporting on the Forms MS-965:

• Authorized Check Signers Are Related.

Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

A material weakness is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the Forms MS-965 will not be prevented or detected by the Township of Lumber, Cameron County's internal control. Our consideration of the internal control over reporting on the Forms MS-965 would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We consider the significant deficiency described above to be a material weakness.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the management of the Township of Lumber, Cameron County, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

August 7, 2013

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Auditor General

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TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND BACKGROUND FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2006 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012

Background

The Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law, Title 72 P.S. § 2615.5, provides municipalities other than counties (townships, boroughs, cities, towns, home rule, and optional plan governments) with an annual allocation of liquid fuels taxes from the state's Motor License Fund to be used for the maintenance and repair of streets, roads, and bridges for which the municipality is responsible. The allocation of these funds to municipalities is based: (1) 50 percent on the municipality's proportion of local road mileage to the total local road mileage in the state, and (2) 50 percent on the proportion of a municipality's population to the total population in the state.

The Vehicle Code, Title 75 P.S. § 9511, provides municipalities with annual maintenance payments to be received from the Motor License Fund for functionally local highways that were transferred to a municipality from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Each municipality must deposit the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money and annual maintenance payments that it receives into a special fund called the Municipal Liquid Fuels Tax Fund or State Fund. A municipality may not deposit any other monies into this fund except when the municipality does not have enough money in the special fund to meet the payments called for by its current annual budget for road and bridge purposes. In this case, the municipality may borrow money or transfer money from its General Fund to its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

The Department of Transportation has been given the regulatory authority for the administration of these funds. To qualify for its annual allocation, each municipality shall submit the following documents and information to the Department of Transportation:

- 1. Evidence that the treasurer is bonded in accordance with the law, or that its treasurer is a bank requiring no bond by January 31 of each year.
- 2. A report indicating the manner in which its liquid fuels tax allocation was expended in the previous year (Form MS-965) by January 31 of each year.
- 3. A report of elected and appointed officials by January 31 of each year.
- 4. A Survey of Financial Condition by March 15 of each year.

Department of Transportation *Publication 9* contains the policies and procedures that govern the use of Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money. However, if there is a difference between *Publication 9* and any legislation, the legislation shall govern.

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2006 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported		Adjustments		Adjusted Amount		
Major equipment purchases	\$	4,715.99	\$	-	\$	4,715.99	
Minor equipment purchases		-		-		-	
Computer/Computer related training		-		-		-	
Agility projects		-		-		-	
Cleaning streets and gutters		-		-		-	
Winter maintenance services		6,122.10		-		6,122.10	
Traffic control devices		-		-		-	
Street lighting		-		-		-	
Storm sewers and drains		-		-		-	
Repairs of tools and machinery		2,238.52		-		2,238.52	
Maintenance and repair of							
roads and bridges		28,851.34		-		28,851.34	
Highway construction and							
rebuilding projects		-		-		-	
Miscellaneous (Bank service charges)		95.00		-		95.00	
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$	42,022.95	\$	-	\$	42,022.95	

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2006 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments		Adjusted Amount		
1. Balance, January 1, 2006	\$	11,667.96	\$	-	\$	11,667.96	
Receipts:							
2. State allocation		43,247.49		-		43,247.49	
2a. Turnback allocation		4,300.00		-		4,300.00	
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)		447.14		-		447.14	
2c. Miscellaneous			_	-		-	
3. Total receipts		47,994.63		-		47,994.63	
4. Total funds available		59,662.59		-		59,662.59	
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		42,022.95				42,022.95	
6. Balance, December 31, 2006	\$	17,639.64	\$	-	\$	17,639.64	

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2006 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance	Reported		Adjustments				Adjusted Amount
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	11,667.96	\$	-	\$	11,667.96	
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	n	9,509.50		-		9,509.50	
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments							
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		21,177.46		-		21,177.46	
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures		4,715.99				4,715.99	
6. Remainder		16,461.47		-		16,461.47	
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	\$	16,461.47	\$	-	\$	16,461.47	

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2007 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
Major equipment purchases	\$	4,714.63	\$	-	\$	4,714.63
Minor equipment purchases		-		-		-
Computer/Computer related training		-		-		-
Agility projects		-		-		-
Cleaning streets and gutters		-		-		-
Winter maintenance services		6,975.62		-		6,975.62
Traffic control devices		-		-		-
Street lighting		-		-		-
Storm sewers and drains		-		-		-
Repairs of tools and machinery		4,745.07		(198.98)		4,546.09
Maintenance and repair of						
roads and bridges		20,779.40		(1,640.32)		19,139.08
Highway construction and						
rebuilding projects		-		-		-
Miscellaneous						
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$	37,214.72	\$	(1,839.30)	\$	35,375.42

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2007 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Balance, January 1, 2007	\$	17,639.64	\$	-	\$	17,639.64
Receipts:						
2. State allocation		44,661.62		-		44,661.62
2a. Turnback allocation		6,880.00		-		6,880.00
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)		948.26		15.92		964.18
2c. Miscellaneous				-		-
3. Total receipts		52,489.88		15.92		52,505.80
4. Total funds available		70,129.52		15.92		70,145.44
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		37,214.72		(1,839.30)		35,375.42
6. Balance, December 31, 2007	\$	32,914.80	\$	1,855.22	\$	34,770.02

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2007 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance	Reported		Reported Adjustments		Adjust Amou		
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	16,461.47	\$	-	\$	16,461.47	
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	1	10,308.32		-		10,308.32	
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments							
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		26,769.79		-		26,769.79	
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures		4,714.63				4,714.63	
6. Remainder		22,055.16				22,055.16	
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance,	Φ	22.055.15	φ.		ф	22.055.15	
but not less than zero)	\$	22,055.16	\$		\$	22,055.16	

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2008 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
Major equipment purchases	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Minor equipment purchases		-		-		-
Computer/Computer related training		-		-		-
Agility projects		-		-		-
Cleaning streets and gutters		-		-		-
Winter maintenance services		15,984.27		-		15,984.27
Traffic control devices		-		-		-
Street lighting		-		-		-
Storm sewers and drains		-		-		-
Repairs of tools and machinery		10,179.20		(1,764.34)		8,414.86
Maintenance and repair of						
roads and bridges		17,594.74		1,764.34		19,359.08
Highway construction and						
rebuilding projects		-		-		-
Miscellaneous (Bank service charges)		90.00				90.00
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$	43,848.21	\$	_	\$	43,848.21

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2008 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Balance, January 1, 2008	\$	32,914.80	\$	1,855.22	\$	34,770.02
Receipts: 2. State allocation 2a. Turnback allocation 2b. Interest on investments (Note 3) 2c. Miscellaneous		49,115.87 6,880.00 997.17		- - -		49,115.87 6,880.00 997.17
3. Total receipts		56,993.04				56,993.04
4. Total funds available		89,907.84		1,855.22		91,763.06
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		43,848.21				43,848.21
6. Balance, December 31, 2008	\$	46,059.63	\$	1,855.22	\$	47,914.85

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2008 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Reported		Reported Adjustme			Adjusted Amount
\$	22,055.16	\$	-	\$	22,055.16
n	11,199.17		-		11,199.17
	33,254.33		-		33,254.33
	33,254.33		-		33,254.33
\$	33.254.33	\$	_	\$	33,254.33
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TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2009 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
Major equipment purchases	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Minor equipment purchases		-		-		-
Computer/Computer related training		-		-		-
Agility projects		-		-		-
Cleaning streets and gutters		-		-		-
Winter maintenance services		13,880.41		(296.34)		13,584.07
Traffic control devices		-		-		-
Street lighting		-		-		-
Storm sewers and drains		-		-		-
Repairs of tools and machinery		8,343.86		-		8,343.86
Maintenance and repair of						
roads and bridges		33,411.28		-		33,411.28
Highway construction and						
rebuilding projects		-		-		-
Miscellaneous (Bank service charges)		150.00		-		150.00
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$	55,785.55	\$	(296.34)	\$	55,489.21

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2009 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount		
1. Balance, January 1, 2009	\$	46,059.63	\$	1,855.22	\$	47,914.85	
Receipts:							
2. State allocation		47,234.57		-		47,234.57	
2a. Turnback allocation		6,880.00		-		6,880.00	
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)		356.96		-		356.96	
2c. Miscellaneous				-			
3. Total receipts		54,471.53				54,471.53	
4. Total funds available		100,531.16		1,855.22		102,386.38	
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		55,785.55		(296.34)		55,489.21	
6. Balance, December 31, 2009	\$	44,745.61	\$	2,151.56	\$	46,897.17	

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2009 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance		Reported	Adju	stments		Adjusted Amount
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	33,254.33	\$	-	\$	33,254.33
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	1	10,822.91		-		10,822.91
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		44,077.24		-		44,077.24
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures		<u>-</u>				<u>-</u>
6. Remainder		44,077.24				44,077.24
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not loss than zero)	¢	44 077 24	\$		¢	44 077 24
but not less than zero)	Ф	44,077.24	\$		D	44,077.24

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2010 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported	•	justments Note 4)	Adjusted Amount
Major equipment purchases	\$ _	\$	-	\$ -
Minor equipment purchases	-		-	-
Computer/Computer related training	-		-	-
Agility projects	-		-	-
Cleaning streets and gutters	-		-	-
Winter maintenance services	19,911.92		-	19,911.92
Traffic control devices	-		-	-
Street lighting	-		-	-
Storm sewers and drains	-		-	-
Repairs of tools and machinery	8,308.67		469.89	8,778.56
Maintenance and repair of				
roads and bridges	23,899.12		-	23,899.12
Highway construction and				
rebuilding projects	-		-	-
Miscellaneous (Bank service charges)	 		10.00	 10.00
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$ 52,119.71	\$	479.89	\$ 52,599.60

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2010 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported	djustments (Note 4)	Adjusted Amount
1. Balance, January 1, 2010	\$ 44,745.61	\$ 2,151.56	\$ 46,897.17
Receipts:			
2. State allocation	45,328.12	-	45,328.12
2a. Turnback allocation	6,880.00	-	6,880.00
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)	57.25	6.51	63.76
2c. Miscellaneous	 	 _	 -
3. Total receipts	52,265.37	6.51	52,271.88
4. Total funds available	97,010.98	2,158.07	99,169.05
5. Expenditures (Section 1)	52,119.71	479.89	52,599.60
6. Balance, December 31, 2010	\$ 44,891.27	\$ 1,678.18	\$ 46,569.45

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2010 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance		Reported	A	ljustments	Adjusted Amount
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	44,077.24	\$	-	\$ 44,077.24
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	n	10,441.62		-	10,441.62
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments				-	
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		54,518.86		-	54,518.86
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures					
6. Remainder		54,518.86			54,518.86
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	\$	44,891.27	\$	1,678.18	\$ 46,569.45

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2011 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
Major equipment purchases	\$	14,750.00	\$	-	\$	14,750.00
Minor equipment purchases		-		-		-
Computer/Computer related training		-		-		-
Agility projects		-		-		-
Cleaning streets and gutters		-		-		-
Winter maintenance services		14,477.97		-		14,477.97
Traffic control devices		-		-		-
Street lighting		-	-			-
Storm sewers and drains		-		-		-
Repairs of tools and machinery		6,318.31		(818.93)		5,499.38
Maintenance and repair of						
roads and bridges		31,529.26		(548.39)		30,980.87
Highway construction and						
rebuilding projects		-		-		-
Miscellaneous (Bank service charges)		31.00		_		31.00
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$	67,106.54	\$	(1,367.32)	\$	65,739.22

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2011 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Balance, January 1, 2011	\$	44,891.27	\$	1,678.18	\$	46,569.45
Receipts:						
2. State allocation		46,368.60		-		46,368.60
2a. Turnback allocation		6,880.00		-		6,880.00
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)		163.90		-		163.90
2c. Miscellaneous						-
3. Total receipts		53,412.50				53,412.50
4. Total funds available		98,303.77		1,678.18		99,981.95
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		67,106.54		(1,367.32)		65,739.22
6. Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	31,197.23	\$	3,045.50	\$	34,242.73

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2011 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	44,891.27	\$	1,678.18	\$	46,569.45
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	1	10,649.72		-		10,649.72
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments				<u>-</u>		
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		55,540.99		1,678.18		57,219.17
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures		14,750.00				14,750.00
6. Remainder		40,790.99		1,678.18		42,469.17
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	\$	31,197.23	\$	3,045.50	\$	34,242.73
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TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2012 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Expenditure Summary	Reported	Adju	stments	 Adjusted Amount
Major equipment purchases	\$ _	\$	-	\$ -
Minor equipment purchases	-		-	-
Computer/Computer related training	-		-	-
Agility projects	-		-	_
Cleaning streets and gutters	-		-	_
Winter maintenance services	10,917.04		-	10,917.04
Traffic control devices	-		-	_
Street lighting	-		-	-
Storm sewers and drains	-		-	-
Repairs of tools and machinery	3,409.27		-	3,409.27
Maintenance and repair of				
roads and bridges	24,256.30		-	24,256.30
Highway construction and				
rebuilding projects	-		-	-
Miscellaneous (Note 6)	269.10		-	269.10
Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	\$ 38,851.71	\$		\$ 38,851.71

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2012 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Fund Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Balance, January 1, 2012	\$	31,197.23	\$	3,045.50	\$	34,242.73
Receipts:						
2. State allocation		47,161.14		-		47,161.14
2a. Turnback allocation		6,880.00		-		6,880.00
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)		156.12		-		156.12
2c. Miscellaneous (Note 5)		15,267.90		-		15,267.90
3. Total receipts		69,465.16		<u>-</u>		69,465.16
4. Total funds available		100,662.39		3,045.50		103,707.89
5. Expenditures (Section 1)		38,851.71				38,851.71
6. Balance, December 31, 2012	\$	61,810.68	\$	3,045.50	\$	64,856.18

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND 2012 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

Equipment Balance	Reported		Adjustments (Note 4)		Adjusted Amount	
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$	31,197.23	\$	3,045.50	\$	34,242.73
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	1	10,808.23		-		10,808.23
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments						<u>-</u>
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition		42,005.46		3,045.50		45,050.96
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures						
6. Remainder		42,005.46		3,045.50		45,050.96
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	\$	42,005.46	\$	3,045.50	\$	45,050.96
out not loss than 2010)	Ψ	12,003.10	Ψ	3,013.30	Ψ	.5,050.70

1. Criteria

Section 1

This section of Form MS-965 With Adjustments provides a summary of Liquid Fuels Tax Fund expenditures by category. Categories requiring explanation include:

- Major equipment purchases are purchases of road machinery and road equipment that cost in excess of \$4,000.00 prior to 2012 and in excess of \$10,000.00 during 2012 and subsequent years.
- Minor equipment purchases are purchases of road machinery and road equipment that cost \$4,000.00 or less prior to 2012 and \$10,000.00 or less during 2012 and subsequent years.
- Agility projects are exchanges of services with the Department of Transportation.

Section 2

This section of Form MS-965 With Adjustments provides information on the fund balance. Categories requiring explanation include:

- The state allocation is generally received from the Department of Transportation during the first week in April of each year. The amount the municipality receives is based half on its population and half on its road mileage.
- The turnback allocation is generally received from the Department of Transportation during the first week in April of each year. A municipality receives a yearly turnback allocation based on road mileage for all roads that were transferred to the municipality from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through the Highway Transfer Program.
- Expenditures include the total transferred from Section 1.

1. <u>Criteria (Continued)</u>

Section 3

This section of Form MS-965 With Adjustments determines if the municipality expended Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money in excess of the permissible amount for equipment and the balance that the municipality may carry forward for the purchase of equipment to the subsequent year.

Department of Transportation *Publication 9* requires that the amount expended for equipment purchases in a given year not exceed the sum of the equipment balance carried forward from the previous year and 20 percent of the current year's Liquid Fuels Tax Fund allocation and, if applicable, 20 percent of the turnback allocation plus other Department of Transportation approved adjustments.

If the municipality spent in excess of the amount listed on Line 4, the excess must be reimbursed to the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

The equipment balance to be carried forward for the subsequent year is the lesser of the amount on Line 6 or the ending fund balance on Line 6 of Section 2, but not less than zero.

Basis Of Presentation

The financial activities of the municipality are accounted for in separate funds. The Liquid Fuels Tax Fund is used to account for state aid revenues from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation used primarily for building and improving local roads and bridges. The Forms MS-965 have been prepared in accordance with reporting requirements prescribed by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as a result of the Fuels Tax Act 655, dated 1956 and as amended, which does not constitute a complete presentation of the entity's assets, liabilities, expenses, and fund balance. Accordingly, the presentation of Forms MS-965 With Adjustments is restricted to the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund, which represents a segment of the entity.

Basis Of Accounting

The accompanying Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are prepared in accordance with reporting requirements prescribed by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Under this method, revenues are recognized when received and expenditures are recorded when paid.

1. Criteria (Continued)

General Fixed Assets

General fixed assets are recognized as expenditures at the time of purchase. No depreciation has been provided on the heavy equipment used to maintain and repair roads and bridges.

2. Deposits

The Second Class Township Code, Title 53 P.S. § 68204, authorizes the township to deposit its funds in the following:

- Deposits in savings accounts or time deposits, other than certificates of deposit or share accounts of institutions having their principal place of business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or other like insurance. For any amount above the insured maximum, the depository shall pledge approved collateral.
- Certificates of deposit purchased from institutions insured by the FDIC or other like insurance to the extent that such accounts are so insured. For any amounts in excess of the insured maximum, such deposits shall be collateralized by a pledge or assignment of assets. Certificates of deposit may not exceed 20 percent of a bank's total capital surplus or 20 percent of a savings and loan's or savings bank's assets minus liabilities.

Deposits consist of receipts and deposits in a financial institution. Pennsylvania statutes require all deposits to be insured and, for any amount above the insured maximum, to be secured with approved collateral as defined.

There were no deposits exposed to custodial credit risk as of December 31, 2012. Custodial credit risk, as defined by GASB No. 40, includes deposits that are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the municipality's name.

2. <u>Deposits (Continued)</u>

Fund Balance

The fund balance as of December 31, 2012 consists of the following:

Cash \$64,856.18

3. Interest On Investments

Our examination disclosed that the municipality deposited idle liquid fuels tax money in interest-bearing accounts which earned \$447.14 during 2006, \$964.18 during 2007, \$997.17 during 2008, \$356.96 during 2009, \$63.76 during 2010, \$163.90 during 2011, and \$156.12 during 2012, thus providing additional funds for road maintenance and repairs.

4. Adjustments

2007 - Section 1

An adjustment of \$(198.98) was made to "Repairs of tools and machinery" because check No. 4460 was voided but was included as an expenditure.

An adjustment of \$(1,640.32) was made to "Maintenance and repair of roads and bridges" because check Nos. 4458 for \$150.00, 4461 for \$1,172.09, 4480 for \$110.88 and 4488 for \$217.35 were voided but were included as expenditures. Additionally, these expenditures were understated by \$10.00.

2007 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$15.92 was made to "Interest on investments" because interest earnings were understated.

2008 - Section 1

Adjustments were made to "Repairs of tools and machinery" and "Maintenance and repair of roads and bridges" because expenditures of \$1,764.34 were misclassified.

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4. Adjustments (Continued)

2008 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$1,855.22 was made to "Balance, January 1, 2008" to reflect the adjustment made to the fund balance in 2007 - Section 2.

2009 - Section 1

An adjustment of \$(296.34) was made to "Winter maintenance services" because check No. 4595 was reported as \$1,417.00 but was issued for \$1,120.66.

2009 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$1,855.22 was made to "Balance, January 1, 2009" to reflect the adjustment made to the fund balance in 2008 - Section 2.

2010 - Section 1

An adjustment of \$469.89 was made to "Repairs of tools and machinery" because check No. 4740 for \$97.89 was incorrectly reported as voided and check No. 1055 for \$372.00 was not reported.

An adjustment of \$10.00 was made to "Miscellaneous" because a bank service charge was not reported.

2010 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$2,151.56 was made to "Balance, January 1, 2010" to reflect the adjustment made to the fund balance in 2009 - Section 2.

An adjustment of \$6.51 was made to "Interest on investments" because interest earnings were understated.

2011 - Section 1

An adjustment of \$(818.93) was made to "Repairs of tools and machinery" because check Nos. 1081 for \$518.45, 1089 for \$75.48, and 1108 for \$225.00 were voided but were included as expenditures.

4. Adjustments (Continued)

2011 - Section 1 (Continued)

An adjustment of \$(548.39) was made to "Maintenance and repair of roads and bridges" because check No. 1128 was voided but was included as an expenditure.

2011 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$1,678.18 was made to "Balance, January 1, 2011" to reflect the adjustment made to the fund balance in 2010 - Section 2.

2011 - Section 3

An adjustment of \$1,678.18 was made to "Prior year equipment balance" to reflect the adjustment made to the equipment balance in 2010 - Section 3.

2012 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$3,045.50 was made to "Balance, January 1, 2012" to reflect the adjustment made to the fund balance in 2011 - Section 2.

2012 - Section 3

An adjustment of \$3,045.50 was made to "Prior year equipment balance" to reflect the adjustment made to the equipment balance in 2011 - Section 3.

5. Miscellaneous Receipts

The following miscellaneous receipts were deposited into the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund during the examination period:

Source	Description	2012
General Fund General Fund	Grant Correction of payment in error (Note 7)	\$15,029.80 238.10
Total		\$15,267.90

6. <u>Miscellaneous Expenditures</u>

The following miscellaneous expenditures were paid from the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund during the examination period:

Payee	Description	2012
Township secretary Financial institution	Payment in error (Note 7) Bank service charges	\$238.10 31.00
Total	Ç	\$269.10

7. Payment In Error

During 2012, the secretary/treasurer mistakenly paid a solid waste expense for \$238.10 from her personal checking account in error. On March 1, 2012, the municipality mistakenly reimbursed the secretary/treasurer with Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money. On March 20, 2012, the municipality transferred \$238.10 from its Solid Waste Fund to its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund to correct the payment in error.

8. Bank Loan

On January 18, 2002, the municipality borrowed \$18,500.00 from Citizens Trust Company to purchase a truck. The term of the loan was for five years at an interest rate of eight percent. Principal and interest payments of \$4,715.99 are due annually. Prior years' principal and interest payments from the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund were \$10,095.86 and \$4,052.11, respectively.

During the current examination period the municipality paid principal of \$8,404.14 and interest of \$1,026.48 from the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund. These amounts are reflected in major equipment purchases on the 2006 and 2007 Forms MS-965 - Section 1. On April 13, 2007 the loan was paid-in-full.

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Finding - Authorized Check Signers Are Related

Our examination disclosed that the signatures required to authenticate Liquid Fuels Tax Fund checks are that of the chairman of the board of supervisors and the secretary/treasurer who are husband and wife, respectively.

Good internal control procedures ensure that at least two unrelated persons are authorized to sign checks drawn on the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund. Without this control, the risk of unauthorized disbursements, errors, or misappropriations occurring and remaining undetected increases significantly.

Recommendation

We recommend that the municipality improve internal control procedures over disbursements by requiring at least two signatures of unrelated municipal officials on all disbursements from the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund account.

Management's Response

The secretary/treasurer stated:

I will notify the bank and have my husband taken off as a signer.

Auditor's Conclusion

During our next examination, we will determine if the township complied with our recommendation.

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND SUMMARY OF EXIT CONFERENCE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2006 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012

An exit conference was held August 7, 2013. Those participating were:

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER

Mrs. Sandra L. Hause, Secretary/Treasurer

DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Michele A. Garman, CFE, Audit Supervisor

The results of the examination were presented and discussed in their entirety.

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBER CAMERON COUNTY LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND REPORT DISTRIBUTION FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2006 TO DECEMBER 31, 2012

This report was initially distributed to:

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The Honorable Eugene Card Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Mrs. Sandra L. Hause Secretary/Treasurer

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