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Borough of Strausstown

Berks County, Pennsylvania

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Liquid Fuels Tax Fund

For the Period

January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Leslie Richards
Secretary
Department of Transportation
Harrisburg, PA 17120

We attempted to examine the accompanying Forms MS-965 With Adjustments for the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund of the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County, for the period January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, in accordance with the criteria set forth in Note 1. The municipality's management is responsible for presenting the Forms MS-965 in accordance with the criteria set forth in Note 1. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments based on conducting the examination 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.

As discussed in the Finding and Recommendations section of this report, we requested invoices to support expenditures of \$7,502.65 during 2015 and \$4,474.50 during 2016, but were told that they were not available due to borough records becoming unusable due to a rodent infestation at the former borough building. Additionally, as discussed in Note 7 within the notes to Forms MS-965 With Adjustments, effective July 1, 2016, the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County, merged with the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County. Accordingly, this will be the last Liquid Fuels Tax Fund examination conducted for the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County. Because of the merger, management of the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, is now the responsible party for the purposes of this examination. Attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants require that we request a written statement from the responsible party stating whether the Forms MS-965 are presented in accordance with the reporting requirements prescribed by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. We requested a signed, written statement with that information, but management of the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, refused to do so because management of the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, did not have any control of or access to any of the borough's records prior to July 1, 2016. They also would not sign a management representation letter for the same reason.

Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

Because of the limitations on the scope of our examination discussed in the preceding paragraph, the scope of our work was not sufficient to enable us to express, and we do not express, an opinion on whether 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 Borough of Strausstown, Berks County, for the period January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, in accordance with the criteria set forth in Note 1.

As described in Note 4, the adjustments included on the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are made by the Department of the Auditor General. The adjustments represent corrections of known errors made within the Forms MS-965 originally submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. However, due to the limitations noted above, we reiterate that we do not express an opinion on the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we are required to report all deficiencies that are considered to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control; fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws or regulations that have a material effect on the Forms MS-965; and any other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance; noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, and abuse that has a material effect on the Forms MS-965. We are also required to obtain and report the views of responsible officials concerning the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as any planned corrective actions. We attempted to perform 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 internal control over reporting on the Forms MS-965 or on compliance and other matters; accordingly, we express no such opinions.

A deficiency in internal control 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 and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Forms MS-965 will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *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.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose of attempting to express an opinion on whether the Forms MS-965 are presented in accordance with the criteria described above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the finding listed below, that we consider to be a material weakness in internal control:

- Documentation Supporting Expenditures Was Not Available For Examination.

Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

In connection with our engagement to examine the Forms MS-965 With Adjustments, we attempted to perform tests of the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of amounts on the Forms MS-965. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our engagement, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, if the scope of our work had been sufficient to enable us to express an opinion on the Forms MS-965, instances of noncompliance or other matters may have been identified or reported herein.

The purpose of this report is to determine whether the municipality's Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money is spent in accordance with the laws and regulations identified in the Background section of this report and the Department of Transportation's *Publication 9*. Because the management of the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, refused to provide us with a written assertion stating that the Forms MS-965 are presented in accordance with the reporting requirements prescribed by the Department of Transportation, this report is restricted to the use of only the Department of Transportation. This report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We appreciate the courtesy extended by the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County, to us during the course of our examination. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael B. Kashishian, CPA, CGAP, CFE, Director, Bureau of County Audits, at 717-787-1363.



Eugene A. DePasquale
Auditor General

June 11, 2018

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BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
BERKS COUNTY
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
BACKGROUND
FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016

Background

The Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law, Act 655 of 1956, as amended, (72 P.S. § 2615.5 et seq.), 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 allocation of Liquid Fuels Tax funds and annual maintenance payments that it receives into a special fund called either 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 such a 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. Department of Transportation's *Publication 9* includes the policies and procedures for the administration of Act 655, as amended, and the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money. However, if there is a difference between *Publication 9* and any legislation, the legislation shall govern.

To qualify for the annual allocation of Liquid Fuels Tax funds, *Publication 9* indicates that each municipality shall:

1. Submit annual reports (MS-965, Actual Use Report, MS-965P, Project and Miscellaneous Receipts, and MS-965S, Record of Checks).
2. Make deposits and payments or expenditures in compliance with Act 655 of 1956, as amended. Failure to do so may result in not receiving allocations from PennDOT until all discrepancies are resolved. *Publication 9*, Section 2.6, includes information about investing Liquid Fuels Tax monies, using loan or bond proceeds, and types of receipts into the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

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Background (Continued)

3. Submit the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Report of Elected and Appointed Officials by January 31st and the Survey of Financial Condition By March 15th.
4. Ensure resolution of all Contractor Responsibility Program (CRP) holds and blocks imposed by the Department of Revenue and the Department of Labor and Industry.
5. Ensure resolution of all reimbursements required as a result of audits performed by the Department of the Auditor General or monitoring reviews performed by the Department of Transportation's Financial Consultants.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2015 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Expenditure Summary</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
Major equipment purchases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Minor equipment purchases	-	-	-
Computer/Computer related training	-	-	-
Agility projects	-	-	-
Cleaning streets and gutters	-	-	-
Winter maintenance services	2,852.50	-	2,852.50
Traffic control devices	-	-	-
Street lighting	4,650.15	-	4,650.15
Storm sewers and drains	-	-	-
Repairs of tools and machinery	-	-	-
Maintenance and repair of roads and bridges	-	-	-
Highway construction and rebuilding projects	-	-	-
Miscellaneous (Note 5)	1,761.99	-	1,761.99
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Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	<u>\$ 9,264.64</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 9,264.64</u>

Notes to Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are an integral part of this report.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2015 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Fund Balance</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
1. Balance, January 1, 2015	\$ 596.44	\$ -	\$ 596.44
Receipts:			
2. State allocation	9,118.18	-	9,118.18
2a. Turnback allocation	-	-	-
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)	11.54	-	11.54
2c. Miscellaneous (Note 6)	1,761.99	-	1,761.99
3. Total receipts	10,891.71	-	10,891.71
4. Total funds available	11,488.15	-	11,488.15
5. Expenditures (Section 1)	9,264.64	-	9,264.64
6. Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ 2,223.51	\$ -	\$ 2,223.51

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BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2015 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Equipment Balance</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$ 596.44	\$ -	\$ 596.44
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	1,823.64	-	1,823.64
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition	2,420.08	-	2,420.08
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
6. Remainder	<u>2,420.08</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,420.08</u>
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	<u>\$ 2,223.51</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,223.51</u>

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BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2016 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 1
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Expenditure Summary</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 4)</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
Major equipment purchases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Minor equipment purchases	-	-	-
Computer/Computer related training	-	-	-
Agility projects	-	-	-
Cleaning streets and gutters	-	-	-
Winter maintenance services	2,002.50	-	2,002.50
Traffic control devices	-	-	-
Street lighting	2,472.00	-	2,472.00
Storm sewers and drains	-	-	-
Repairs of tools and machinery	-	-	-
Maintenance and repair of roads and bridges	-	-	-
Highway construction and rebuilding projects	-	-	-
Miscellaneous (Note 5)	8,407.26	(5.36)	8,401.90
 Total (To Section 2, Line 5)	 <u>\$ 12,881.76</u>	 <u>\$ (5.36)</u>	 <u>\$ 12,876.40</u>

Notes to Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are an integral part of this report.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2016 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 2
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Fund Balance</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments (Note 4)</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
1. Balance, January 1, 2016	\$ 2,223.51	\$ -	\$ 2,223.51
Receipts:			
2. State allocation	10,645.71	-	10,645.71
2a. Turnback allocation	-	-	-
2b. Interest on investments (Note 3)	12.54	(5.36)	7.18
2c. Miscellaneous	-	-	-
3. Total receipts	<u>10,658.25</u>	<u>(5.36)</u>	<u>10,652.89</u>
4. Total funds available	<u>12,881.76</u>	<u>(5.36)</u>	<u>12,876.40</u>
5. Expenditures (Section 1)	<u>12,881.76</u>	<u>(5.36)</u>	<u>12,876.40</u>
6. Balance, June 30, 2016	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

Notes to Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are an integral part of this report.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 2016 FORM MS-965 – SECTION 3
 WITH ADJUSTMENTS

<u>Equipment Balance</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount</u>
1. Prior year equipment balance	\$ 2,223.51	\$ -	\$ 2,223.51
2. Add: Current year equipment allocation (20% of Lines 2 + 2a, Section 2)	2,129.14	-	2,129.14
3. PENNDOT approved adjustments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
4. Total funds available for equipment acquisition	4,352.65	-	4,352.65
5. Less: Major equipment expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
6. Remainder	<u>4,352.65</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,352.65</u>
7. Equipment balance available for subsequent year (Lesser of Line 6 or Section 2 balance, but not less than zero)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Notes to Forms MS-965 With Adjustments are an integral part of this report.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
 BERKS COUNTY
 LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
 NOTES TO FORMS MS-965 WITH ADJUSTMENTS
 FOR THE PERIOD
 JANUARY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016

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 with varying yearly costs in excess of the amounts indicated below:

2012	2013	2014	2015/2016
\$10,000.00	\$10,200.00	\$10,300.00	\$10,500.00

- Minor equipment purchases are purchases of road machinery and road equipment with varying yearly costs that are less than or equal to the amounts indicated below:

2012	2013	2014	2015/2016
\$10,000.00	\$10,200.00	\$10,300.00	\$10,500.00

- 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 available from the Department of Transportation in March of each year. The amount the municipality receives is based half on its population and half on its road mileage.
- Municipalities that transferred roads from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the municipality through the Highway Transfer Program receive annual turnback allocations in March of each year from the Department of Transportation. Turnback allocations are based on the mileage of the roads transferred.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
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1. Criteria (Continued)

Section 2 (Continued)

- Expenditures include the total transferred from Section 1.

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.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
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NOTES TO FORMS MS-965 WITH ADJUSTMENTS
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1. Criteria (Continued)

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.

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 Borough Code, Title 53 P.S. § 46316, authorizes the borough 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 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.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
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LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
NOTES TO FORMS MS-965 WITH ADJUSTMENTS
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2. Deposits (Continued)

There were no deposits exposed to custodial credit risk as of June 30, 2016. Custodial credit risk, as defined by GASB No. 40, as amended, 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.

Fund Balance

The fund balance as of June 30, 2016, consists of the following:

Cash	\$-
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3. Interest On Investments

Our examination disclosed that the municipality deposited idle liquid fuels tax money in an interest-bearing account which earned \$11.54 during 2015, and \$7.18 during 2016, thus providing additional funds for road maintenance and repairs.

4. Adjustments

2016 - Section 1

An adjustment of \$(5.36) was made to "Miscellaneous" because these expenditures were overstated.

2016 - Section 2

An adjustment of \$(5.36) was made to "Interest on investments" because interest earnings were overstated.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
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5. Miscellaneous Expenditures

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

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
General Fund	Correction of deposit in error (Note 6)	\$1,761.99	\$ -
Upper Tulpehocken Township Liquid Fuels Fund	Transfer of Liquid Fuels Money (Note 7)	-	8,401.90
Total		<u>\$1,761.99</u>	<u>\$8,401.90</u>

6. Deposit In Error

On September 24, 2015, the municipality deposited \$1,761.99 into its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund in error. On September 25, 2015, the municipality transferred this amount from its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund to its General Fund to correct the deposit in error.

7. Merger With The Township of Upper Tulpehocken

Effective July 1, 2016, the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County, merged with the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County. The borough's fund balance of \$8,401.90 was transferred to the Township of Upper Tulpehocken's Liquid Fuels Tax Fund on July 1, 2016. Accordingly, this will be the last Liquid Fuels Tax Fund examination conducted for the Borough of Strausstown, Berks County.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
BERKS COUNTY
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
FINDING AND RECOMMENDATION
FOR THE PERIOD
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Finding - Documentation Supporting Expenditures Was Not Available For Examination

Our examination disclosed that the municipality did not maintain invoices to support expenditures of \$7,502.65 during 2015 and \$4,474.50 during 2016.

Good internal control procedures ensure that there is documentation to support all expenditures.

The Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law, 72 P.S. § 2615.4, provides, in part, that monies herein allocated may be used only for construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repairs of such public roads or streets, including bridges, culverts and drainage structures, for which they are legally responsible. Also permitted are expenditures involving acquisition, maintenance, repairs and operation of street signs, traffic signs, traffic signal control systems, road equipment, and snow fences.

The Department of Transportation has been statutorily authorized to promulgate regulations concerning the administration of Liquid Fuels Tax Fund money and has determined that certain items, including expenditures made without supporting documentation, are outside the scope of permissible expenditures.

Without adequate documentation, we could not determine if the expenditures were permissible according to the Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law and the Department of Transportation's Regulations.

The failure to maintain documentation to support expenditures could result in the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County, having to reimburse \$11,977.15 to its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

Recommendation

We recommend that the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County reimburse \$11,977.15 to its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund upon official notification by the Department of Transportation.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
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LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
FINDING AND RECOMMENDATION
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**Finding - Documentation Supporting Expenditures Was Not Available For Examination
(Continued)**

Management's Response

The municipal officials offered no formal response at this time.

Auditor's Conclusion

The Department of Transportation will determine if the Township of Upper Tulpehocken, Berks County is required to reimburse \$11,977.15 to its Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
BERKS COUNTY
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
SUMMARY OF EXIT CONFERENCE
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An exit conference was held March 20, 2018. Those participating were:

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER TULPEHOCKEN

Ms. Susan M. Ehrets, Secretary/Treasurer

DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Mr. Stephen P. Stoppie, Audit Supervisor

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

BOROUGH OF STRAUSSTOWN
BERKS COUNTY
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND
REPORT DISTRIBUTION
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This report was initially distributed to:

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Secretary
Department of Transportation

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The Honorable Wilson Balthaser
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
Township of Upper Tulpehocken

Ms. Susan M. Ehrets
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