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OPERATING PARTS AND SUPPLIES INVENTORIES – FY 2019

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**Presented To**

The Honorable Board of Marion County Commissioners  
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Marion County (County) conducted its annual year-end physical inventory of significant operating parts and supplies, the result of which is summarized in the table below. We performed an audit of the inventory values presented by each department listed below to provide reasonable assurance that these values are free of material misstatements. These inventory values will be recorded as assets as of September 30, 2019, in the County’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). **Our opinion** is that the departmental inventories are fairly stated in all material respects.

OPERATING INVENTORIES ON HAND AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2019		
Department	Type of Inventory	Value
Fleet	Vehicle Repair Parts	\$ 77,903
	Vehicle Fuel	\$ 231,521
		<b>\$ 309,424</b>
Fire Rescue	EMS Supplies	<b>\$ 912,147</b>
Utilities	Water Parts/Chemicals	\$ 737,511
	Wastewater/Chemicals	\$ 4,699
		<b>\$ 742,210</b>
Office of County Engineer	Materials/Supplies-Roads	\$ 459,934
	Materials/Supplies-Traffic	\$ 734,871
		<b>\$ 1,194,805</b>
Marion County Airport	Aviation Fuel	<b>\$ 30,458</b>
<b>TOTAL INVENTORY VALUE</b>		<b>\$ 3,189,044</b>

## OBJECTIVE

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The objective was to verify that sufficient internal controls exist in each reporting unit to ensure accurate and timely reporting of the inventory values.

## SCOPE AND OUR APPROACH

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Our scope was to audit the operating supplies and materials inventories on hand of the following departments as of September 30, 2019.

- Fleet Management Department - vehicle repair parts and vehicle fuel
- Fire Rescue Services Department - EMS supplies
- Utilities Department - water and wastewater operating parts and chemicals
- Office of the County Engineer - operating materials and supplies of Roads and Traffic Divisions
- Marion County Airport - aviation fuel

Management is responsible for the daily control, usage, and reporting of their departmental inventories. Each department took appropriate actions to plan and perform the physical counts, pricing, and provided valuation of the respective inventories.

We worked with departmental management during the planning stage and confirmed the counting procedures and valuation methods of each inventory process. During our observations of the physical counts, we performed test counts and other procedures to determine the accuracy of the counts. We also performed other audit tests subsequently to verify the accuracy of the reported inventory values.

Our on-site observations did not include the following areas:

- The fuel readings of the Fleet Department and Marion County Airport. We relied on the readings from the fuel systems and relevant transaction reports.
- Physical counts of the materials and supplies at the Roads Division of the Office of County Engineer. The Division performed the physical counts at earlier dates and adjusted for subsequent transactions to arrive at the final inventory value.
- Physical count of the chemicals at the Utilities Department. We relied on the physical counts taken by the department.

## RESULT

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**It is our opinion** that the inventory process established by each department was effective and that the departmental inventories are fairly stated in all material respects. We may report to the department management in separate informational memoranda of certain matters we noted during our activities to assist in the planning and conducting of next fiscal year's physical inventory.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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We would like to express our appreciation to the management and staff of the departments and Finance for their cooperation and assistance.

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