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TO: WEST POTTSGROVE TOWNSHIP (46-177-4#/VENDOR #139084)

THIS E-MAIL IS BEING SENT ON BEHALF OF THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY L. DEFOOR, PENNSYLVANIA AUDITOR GENERAL.

Dear Municipality Leader,

I am pleased to announce that the 2023 Commonwealth state aid allocation supporting the VOLUNTEER FIRE RELIEF ASSOCIATION(s) (VFRA) of the fire company(ies) which serve your community is scheduled to be direct deposited on September 21, 2023, in the amount of \$23,812.44.

The allocation was made in accordance with Act 205 of 1984, which stipulates that 50 percent of your allocation is based on the population of your municipality, and 50 percent is determined by the market value of real estate in your municipality compared to the state average.

As required by Act 205, proceeds from this allocation **must be paid to the VFRA(s)** of the fire company(ies) recognized by your municipality who provide fire service to your citizens <u>within 60 days of the receipt date</u>. Also, please note that checks made payable to VFRAs **should NOT be** mailed to the Department of the Auditor General.

Municipal Treasurers must complete the online 706B Form located on the DCED Municipal Statistics website (MunStats) https://munstats.pa.gov/forms/login.aspx, after distribution of the funds to the volunteer firefighters' relief associations and within 60 days of the municipality's receipt of state aid, pursuant to Act 205, Section 706(b)(2). The online 706B form will be available after 9:00, the morning after your payment is received. The failure to submit the online 706B Form in a timely manner may lead to the withholding of future state aid allocations and a finding or comment may be issued within the relief associations' audit report noting the municipality's discrepancy. The 706B Form General Instructions are provided on the website.

For questions related to the disbursement of these funds to the VFRA or the 706B form, please contact Fire Relief Audits at Fire@PaAuditor.gov or by phone at (717) 787-1308.

If you have any other questions, the best form of communication is via email at <u>Comptroller@PaAuditor.gov</u>. You may also leave a voice message at 1-800-882-5073 and someone will respond timely.

Sincerely,

Timothy L. DeFoor Auditor General

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