# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT STATE SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

**JUNE 30, 2010** 

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program, on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with the State Single Audit Act and on the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance

To the Members of the Town Council Town of Berlin, Connecticut

#### **Compliance**

We have audited the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's major state program for the year ended June 30, 2010. The Town of Berlin, Connecticut's major state program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major state program is the responsibility of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the State Single Audit Act (C.G.S.Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Those standards and the State Single Audit Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major state program for the year ended June 30, 2010.

#### **Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to state programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010 and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2010. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the State Single Audit Act and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the members of the Town Council, the Board of Education, others within the entity and state awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Blum, Shapino + Company, P.C.

December 1, 2010

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number	Expenditures	
State Comptroller			
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on State- Owned Property	11000-OSC15910-17004	\$	
Department of Education			
Sheff Settlement	11000-SDE84000-12457	24,200	
Child Nutrition Program - (School Lunch State Match)	11000-SDE64000-16072-82051	10,697	
Youth Services Bureau - Enhancement	11000-SDE84000-16201	5,550	
Adult Education	11000-SDE64000-17030	14,018	
Health Services	11000-SDE64000-17034	28,013	
Youth Services Bureau	11000-SDE64000-17052	14,000	
Open Choice	11000-SDE64000-17053	108,499	
Investing & Personal Finance Education	12060-SDE64000-35351	13,000	
Total Department of Education		217,977	
Department of Environmental Protection			
Boating Account	12060-DEP44434-35403	12,941	
Connecticut State Library			
Grants to Public Libraries	11000-CSL66051-17003	2,113	
ConnectiCard Payments	11000-CSL66051-17010	4,900	
Historic Documents Preservation Grants	12060-CSL66094-35150	5,000	
Total Connecticut State Library		12,013	

## TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number		
Office of Policy and Management			
Reimbursement of Property Taxes - Disability Exemption	11000-OPM20600-17011	\$ 2,201	
Property Tax Relief for Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowners	11000-OPM20600-17018	128,373	
Property Tax Relief for Elderly Homeowners - Freeze Program	11000-OPM20600-17021	5,247	
Property Tax Relief for Veterans	11000-OPM20600-17024	12,819	
Property Tax Relief for Manufacturing			
Machinery and Equipment and Commercial Vehicles	11000-OPM20600-17031	755,422	
Local Capital Improvement Program	12050-OPM20600-40254	5,407	
Municipal Video Competition Trust	12060-OPM20600-35362	2,013	
Total Office of Policy and Management		911,482	
Department of Public Safety			
Telecommunications Fund	12060-DPS32740-35190	1,358	
State Assets Forfeiture Revolving Fund	12060-DPS32155-35142	282	
Total Department of Public Safety		1,640	
Department of Transportation			
Town Aid Road Grants - Municipal	12052-DOT57000-43455	44,618	
Town Aid Road - STO	13033-DOT57000-43459	122,699	
Intrastate Highway Projects	13033-DOT57141-41404	17	
Highway & Bridge Renewal-2004	12001-DOT57124-12293	10	
Bus Operations	12001-DOT57342-12175	14,964	
Total Department of Transportation		182,308	

## TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number		Expenditures	
Total State Financial Assistance Before Exempt Programs		\$	1,365,360	
Exen	npt Programs			
State Comptroller				
Mashantucket Pequot/Mohegan Fund	12009-OSC15910-17005	_	52,551	
Department of Education				
Public School Transportation	11000-SDE64000-17027		119,293	
Educational Cost Sharing	11000-SDE64000-17041		5,223,255	
Excess Costs Student Based and Equity	11000-SDE64000-17047		661,965	
Nonpublic School Transportation	11000-SDE64000-17049		10,190	
School Construction Grants	13010-SDE64000-40901	_	356,829	
Total Department of Education			6,371,532	
Total Exempt Programs			6,424,083	
<b>Total State Financial Assistance</b>		\$	7,789,443	

#### TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT NOTE TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Various departments and agencies of the State of Connecticut have provided financial assistance to the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, through grants and other authorizations in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. The financial assistance programs fund several programs including public safety, education and general government activities.

#### NOTE - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to government entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies relating to the aforementioned grant programs.

**Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements contained in the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's annual audit report are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The following is a summary of such basis:

Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

The schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance, contained in this report, is prepared based on regulations established by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management. In accordance with these regulations (Sections 4-236-22), certain grants are not dependent on expenditure activity and, accordingly, are considered to be expended in the fiscal year of receipt. These grant program receipts are reflected in the expenditures column of the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance.



# Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To the Members of the Town Council Town of Berlin, Connecticut

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2010. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting.

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 entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its 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 financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, 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*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, in a separate letter dated December 1, 2010.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the members of the Town Council, the Board of Education, others within the entity and state awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

December 1, 2010

Blum, Stapino + Company, P.C.

## TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

# I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

II.

III.

Financial Statements	
Type of auditors' report issued:	Unqualified
<ul> <li>Internal control over financial reporting:</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified?</li> <li>Noncompliance material to financial statement noted?</li> </ul>	$\begin{array}{c ccccc} & & & & X & No \\ & & & yes & & X & none reported \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ $
<b>State Financial Assistance</b>	
<ul><li>Internal control over major programs:</li><li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li><li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified?</li></ul>	
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance	for major programs: Unqualified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required reported in accordance with Section 4-236-24 Regulations to the State Single Audit Act?  • The following schedule reflects the major parts of the state o	of the yesX no
State Grantor and Program	State Core-CT Number Expenditures
Office of Policy and Management: Property Tax Relief for Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment and Commercial Vehicles	11000-OPM20600-17031 \$ 755,422
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between	en type A and type B programs \$200,000
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS	
No matters were reported.	
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDI	INGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
No matters were reported.	

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

**JUNE 30, 2010** 

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT

### FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements That Could Have a Direct and Material Effect on Each Major Program, on Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

To the Members of the Town Council Town of Berlin, Connecticut

#### **Compliance**

We have audited the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2010. The Town of Berlin, Connecticut's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2010.

#### **Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010 and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2010. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the members of the Town Council, the Board of Education, others within the entity, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

December 1, 2010

Blum, Shapino + Company, P.C.

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number/ Project Number	Expe	nditures
United States Department of Agriculture Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:				
Child Nutrition Cluster: National School Lunch Program Special Milk Program for Children	10.555 10.556	12060-SDE64370-20560 12060-SDE64370-20500	\$ 156,606 	\$160,317
United States Department of Education Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Education:				
Title I, Part A Cluster: Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	12060-SDE64370-20679		74,394
Special Education Cluster:  Special Education - Grants to States  Special Education - Preschool Grants  Special Education - Grants to States (IDEA,  Part B), Recovery Act	84.027 84.173 84.391	12060-SDE64370-20977 12060-SDE64370-20983 12060-SDE64370-29011	600,663 21,426 367,326	
Special Education - Preschool Grants (IDEA Preschool), Recovery Act	84.392	12060-SDE64370-29012	16,909	1,006,324
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	12060-SDE64370-20742		25,204
Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities - State Grants	84.186	12060-SDE64370-20873		4,398
Education Technology State Grants Cluster: Education Technology State Grants Education Technology State Grants,	84.318	12060-SDE64370-20826	32	
Recovery Act (Enhancing Education through Technology Program)	84.386	12060-SDE64370-29063	100	132
English Language Acquisition Grants	84.365	12060-SDE64370-20868		30,039
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	12060-SDE64370-20858		57,743

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# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number/ Project Number	Expend	litures	
State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Cluster: State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) - Education State Grants, Recovery Act					
(Education Stabilization Fund) State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) -	84.394	12060-SDE64370-29054	\$ 567,349		
Government Services, Recovery Act	84.397	12060-SDE64370-29053	312,810		
			\$	880,159	
Total United States Department of Education				2,078,393	
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development:					
CDBG-State-Administered Small Cities Program Cluster:					
State Administered Small Cities Program	14.228	12060-ECD46350-20730		40,368	
United States Department of Justice Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety:					
Justice Assistance Grant-ARRA	16.803	12060-OPM20350-29002		30,000	
United States Department of Transportation Passed Through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation:					
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster:					
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	12062-DOT57191-22108	448,271		
Recreational Trails Program	20.219	12060-DEP44321-20296	825	449,096	
				,	
Highway Safety Cluster: Alcohol Traffic Safety and Drunk Driving	20.601	12062-DOT57343-22086	36,345		
Safety Belt Performance Grants	20.609	12062-DOT57343-22093	6,610		
				42,955	
Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities	20.513	12062-DOT57931-21361		37,443	
Total United States Department of Transportation				529,494	
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# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Grantor's Number/ Project Number	Expenditures
United States Department of Energy Passed Through the Office of Policy and Management:			
State Energy Program - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Grant Program	81.041	12060-OPM20810-29009	\$24,080
Total Federal Awards Expended			\$ 2,862,652

#### TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Various agencies of the Federal Government have made financial assistance available to the Town of Berlin, Connecticut. These grants fund several programs including housing, education, human services, transportation and general government activities.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to government entities. The following is a summary of the more significant policies relating to the aforementioned grant programs.

**Basis of Accounting** - The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.* 

#### **NOTE 2 - NONCASH AWARDS**

Donated commodities in the amount of \$35,606 are included in the Department of Agriculture's National School Lunch program, CFDA #10.555. The amount represents the market value of commodities received.



# Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To the Members of the Town Council Town of Berlin, Connecticut

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, which collectively comprise the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2010. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting.

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Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Berlin, Connecticut's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its 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 financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, 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*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Town of Berlin, Connecticut, in a separate letter dated December 1, 2010.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the members of the Town Council, the Board of Education, others within the entity, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

December 1, 2010

Blum, Shapino + Company, P.C.

# TOWN OF BERLIN, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

### I. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

	<b>Financial Statements</b>				
	Type of auditors' report issued:	Unqı	alified		
	<ul> <li>Internal control over financial rep</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identifi</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) ide</li> <li>Noncompliance material to finance</li> </ul>	ed? ntified?		X no X none X no	reported
	Federal Awards				
	<ul> <li>Internal control over major progra</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identifi</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) ide</li> </ul>	ed? ntified?	yes yes		reported
	Type of auditors' report issued on Any audit findings disclosed that reported in accordance with Section Circular A-133?  Identification of major programs:	are required to be on 510(a) of	jor programs.	X no	ialified
	CFDA#		Program or Cluste	r	
	84.027/84.173/84.391/84.392 84.394/84.397 20.205/20.219  Special Education Cluster State Fiscal Stabilization Cluster Highway Planning and Construction Cluster			ı Cluster	
	Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:				,000
	Auditee qualified as low-risk audi	tee?	X yes	no	
II.	FINANCIAL STATEMENT FI	INDINGS			
	No matters were reported.				
III.	FEDERAL AWARD FINDING	S AND QUESTIO	ONED COSTS		
No matters were reported.					