INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

April 11, 2008

Sample County Executive and
Board of County Commissioners
Sample County, Tennessee

To the County Executive and Board of County Commissioners:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Sample County, Tennessee, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise Sample County’s basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Sample County’s management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented Sample County Emergency Communications District, which represent 1.4 percent and 1.8 percent, respectively, of the assets and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units, and we did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented Sample County Industrial Development Board, which represent 8.2 percent and 1.5 percent, respectively, of the assets and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Sample County Emergency Communications District and the Sample County Industrial Development Board, is based on the reports of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the auditing standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the
amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the reports of the other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Sample County, Tennessee, as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated April 11, 2008, on our consideration of Sample County's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 13 through 21 and the budgetary comparison and pension information on pages 89 through 95 are not required parts of the basic financial statements but they do provide supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Sample County's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, budgetary comparison schedules of nonmajor governmental funds and the General Debt Service Fund and the Rural Debt Service Fund, combining and individual fund financial statements of the Sample County School Department (a discretely presented component unit), and miscellaneous schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, budgetary comparison schedules of nonmajor governmental funds and the General Debt Service Fund and the Rural Debt Service Fund, combining and individual fund financial statements of the Sample County School Department (a discretely presented component unit), and the miscellaneous schedules have been subjected
to the auditing procedures applied by us in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied by us in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

John G. Morgan
Comptroller of the Treasury

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