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TO: Final Report Distribution
FROM: Glenn Eckhart, County Controller G.E.
DATE: January 30, 2015
RE: Ethics Hotline Activity - 2014

We have compiled a listing of ethics hotline activity for 2014. The ethics hotline continues to be a valuable tool for employees and the public to report suspected improprieties. All reports received are investigated and resolved by the Office of the Controller.

AUDITS/ETHICS HOTLINE ACTIVITY

COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA

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*Ethics Hotline Activity
for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2014*

REPORT NO. 15-1

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In accordance with Ordinance 1993-130, the County of Lehigh established a hotline (610-782-3999) for the reporting of suspected theft, fraud, and abuse of county resources and/or assets. The hotline is based in the Controller's Office and is available for use by both county employees and the public 24 hours a day. Callers can report anonymously any situation that appears improper. All calls are investigated by the Controller's Office or are directed to the proper authority (if not under county jurisdiction).

The administrative code, as amended by Ordinance 1993-130, requires periodic reporting to the Board of Commissioners. Attached please find a summary account of "Ethics Hotline" calls received during 2014.

GLENN ECKHART
County Controller

January 30, 2015
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Attachment

xc: Kay Achenbach, Director, Human Services
David Barilla, Clerk to Board of Commissioners
William Berndt, Court Administrator
Board of Commissioners
Terry Hollinger, Director, Cedarbrook
M. Judith Johnston, Human Resources Officer
Frank Kane, Director, Comm & Econ Dev
Daniel McCarthy, Director, Administration
The Honorable Carol McGinley, Pres Judge

Michael Milan, Cty Det, Dist Atty's Office
Richard Molchany, Director, General Services
Thomas Muller, County Executive
Timothy Reeves, Fiscal Officer
Ronald Rossi, Sheriff's Office
Matthew Sorrentino, Solicitor, Dept of Law
Edward Sweeney, Director, Corrections
Joseph Turri, Human Resources Administrator

**ETHICS HOTLINE*
SUMMARY OF 2014 ACTIVITY**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Ethics File No.</u>
01-10-14	Time Reporting – Commissioners Office	E14-01
01-23-14	Time Reporting – Sheriff’s Office	E14-02
02-03-14	Sick Time – Juvenile Probation	E14-03
04-05-14	Inmate Activity - Jail	E14-04
04-16-14	Improper Interference – Adult Probation	E14-05
04-15-14	Alleged Conflict of Interest – County Vendor	E14-06
05-20-14	Improper Payment – Tax Claim Bureau	E14-07
06-11-14	Lost Cell Phone – Crisis Intervention	E14-08
06-12-14	Sick Time - Aging	E14-09
08-14-14	Court Reporters – Court Administration	E14-10
08-15-14	Stolen Chain Saw – Lockridge Park	E14-11
08-21-14	Internet Sales – General Services	E14-12
08-21-14	Phone Scam – Citizen Complaint	E14-13

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Ethics File No.</u>
08-27-14	Alleged Harassment – Citizen Complains	E14-14
08-29-14	Stolen Supplies – Children & Youth	E14-15
09-10-14	Unaccounted Cash – Magisterial District Court	E14-16
10-24-14	Missing Items – Children & Youth	E14-17
10-24-14	Missing Items – Children & Youth	E14-18
10-28-14	Missing Items – Children & Youth	E14-19
12-08-14	Missing Items – Children & Youth	E14-20
12-08-14	Courts – Citizen Complaint	E14-21
12-16-14	Missing Items – Information Technology	E14-22
12-20-14	Senior Care Issue – Citizen Complaint	E14-23

* Includes reports received per Administrative Notice 2001-4, “Supervisor’s Report of Lost or Stolen Property”