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TO:

Final Report Distribution

FROM:

Thomas Slonaker, County Controller

DATE:

January 7, 2011

RE:

Ethics Hotline Activity - 2010

We have compiled a listing of ethics hotline activity for 2010. 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 OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

Ethics Hotline Activity for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2010

COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

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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 2010.

THOMAS SLONAKER County Controller

January 7, 2011 Allentown, Pennsylvania

Attachment

xc: Board of Commissioners

David Barilla, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

Donald Cunningham, Jr., County Executive

Wesley Havercamp, Sheriff's Office

Brian Kahler, Fiscal Officer

Frank Kane, Chief of Staff

Patricia Kline, General Services

The Honorable Carol K. McGinley, President Judge

Thomas Muller, Director of Administration

Leroy Oswald, County Detective, District Attorney's Office

Susan Schellenberg, Court Administrator

Glenn Solt, Director, General Services

ETHICS HOTLINE* SUMMARY OF 2010 ACTIVITY

01-12-10 Non-employee criminal accusation	
01-19-10 Domestic Relations complaint	E10-01
01-29-10 Taxpayer question	
02-17-10 Employee personnel issue – District Attorney's office	E10-02
04-16-10 Lost county property – Juvenile Probation	E10-03
05-13-10 Taxpayer complaint	E10-04
05-18-10 Stolen compost material – Solid Waste	E10-05
06-10-10 County lawyer/judicial complaint	E10-06
06-23-10 Concealed firearm license–complaint from Commissioner Roman	E10-07
07-01-10 Stolen personal property – Public Defender's Office	E10-08
07-07-10 Theft of personal funds – Information Technology	E10-09
07-15-10 Deposit shortage – Magisterial District Court office	E10-10
07-26-10 Theft of county funds – Judicial Records-Criminal Division	E10-11
08-04-10 Ethics complaint – North Whitehall Township	E10-12
08-27-10 Lost county/personal property – Coroner's Office	E10-13
09-14-10 Stolen signs – county bridges	E10-14

^{*} Includes reports received per Administrative Notice 2001-4, "Reporting Missing Personal and County Property"

<u>Date</u>	Description	Ethics File No.
10-15-10	Taxpayer inquiry – Adult Probation	E10-15
10-15-10	Stolen HP Thin client computer terminal – Human Services Information and Referral	E10-16
10-19-10	Stolen signs – county bridges	E10-17
10-28-10	Domestic Relations complaint	E10-18
11-09-10	Personnel issue – Parks Department	E10-19
11-23-10	Lost cell phone – Sheriff's Office	E10-20
12-13-10	Stolen gift cards - Office of Children & Youth	E10-21
12-14-10	Stolen county property - Cedar View Apartments	E10-22