# LIMITED PROCEDURES ENGAGEMENT

# Berks County Intermediate Unit 14

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Dear Dr. Hackman and Mr. Heffner:

We conducted a Limited Procedures Engagement (LPE) of the Berks County Intermediate Unit 14 (Intermediate Unit) to determine its compliance with certain relevant state laws, regulations, policies, and administrative procedures (relevant requirements). The LPE covers the period September 2, 2011 through September 23, 2015, except for any areas of compliance that may have required an alternative to this period. The engagement was conducted pursuant to authority derived from Article VIII, Section 10 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and The Fiscal Code 72 P.S. § 403, but was not conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

As we conducted our LPE procedures, we sought to determine answers to the following questions, which serve as our LPE objectives:

- Did the Intermediate Unit have documented board policies and administrative procedures related to the following?
  - o Internal controls
  - Budgeting practices
  - o The Right-to-Know Law
  - o The Sunshine Law
- Were the policies and procedures adequate and appropriate, and have they been properly implemented?
- Did the Intermediate Unit comply with the relevant requirements in the Right-to-Know Law and the Sunshine Law?

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Our engagement found that the Intermediate Unit properly implemented policies and procedures for the areas mentioned above and complied, in all significant respects, with relevant requirements.

We appreciate the Intermediate Unit's cooperation during the conduct of the engagement.

Sincerely,

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November 5, 2015 Auditor General

cc: BERKS COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT 14 Board of School Directors

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