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**TO:** Final Report Distribution  
**FROM:** Glenn Eckhart, County Controller G.E.  
**DATE:** January 20, 2012  
**RE:** Ethics Hotline Activity - 2011

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We have compiled a listing of ethics hotline activity for 2011. 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, 2011*

REPORT NO. 12-1

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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 2011.

GLENN ECKHART  
County Controller

January 20, 2012  
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Attachment

xc: Board of Commissioners  
David Barilla, Clerk to Board of Commissioners  
Jan Creedon, Director, Human Services  
Donald Cunningham, Jr., County Executive  
Cindy Feinberg, Director, Comm & Econ Dev  
Wesley Havercamp, Sheriff's Office  
Brian Kahler, Fiscal Officer  
Frank Kane, Chief of Staff  
Patricia Kline, General Services

Terry Lopus, Director, Cedarbrook  
The Honorable Carol McGinley, Pres Judge  
Thomas Muller, Director of Administration  
Leroy Oswald, Cty Det, Dist Atty's Office  
Susan Schellenberg, Court Administrator  
Glenn Solt, Director, General Services  
Matthew Sorrentino, Solicitor, Dept of Law  
Edward Sweeney, Director, Corrections

**ETHICS HOTLINE\***  
**SUMMARY OF 2011 ACTIVITY**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Ethics File No.</u>
01-06-11	Personal legal dispute – county taxpayer	E11-01
01-10-11	Lost cell phone – Juvenile Probation	E11-02
01-14-11	Complaint about police officer – South Whitehall Township	---
01-19-11	Lost cell phone – Juvenile Probation	E11-03
02-08-11	Complaint about attorney – county taxpayer	E11-04
03-02-11	Complaint about court-appointed visitation – Court Administration	E11-05
03-08-11	Lost badge – Adult Probation	E11-06
03-14-11	Handicap parking complaint at Courthouse – General Services	E11-07
03-20-11	Personal auto insurance complaint – county taxpayer	E11-08
03-29-11	Unpaid utility invoice complaint – county vendor	---
03-30-11	Three stolen fire extinguishers – Government Center parkade	E11-09
04-25-11	Three checks missing from deposit – MDC #31-1-08	E11-11
05-05-11	Alleged welfare fraud – county taxpayer	E11-10
05-11-11	Ethics complaint by former employee – Chore Services	E11-12
05-30-11	County vendor complaint – County Garage	E11-13
06-11-11	Judicial complaint – county taxpayer	E11-14

\* Includes reports received per Administrative Notice 2001-4, “Reporting Missing Personal and County Property”

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Ethics File No.</u>
05-11-11	Election board question – county taxpayer	---
05-23-11	Ethics complaint by former employee – Chore Services	E11-12
05-30-11	County vendor complaint – County Garage	E11-13
06-11-11	Judicial complaint – county taxpayer	E11-14
06-22-11	Lost camera – Children & Youth	E11-15
08-17-11	Lost cell phone – Children & Youth	E11-16
08-24-11	Lost keys to vehicle/cage – MH-Crisis	E11-17
09-14-11	Vandalism at Government Center Parkade – county employee	E11-18
09-21-11	Stolen personal cash/personal property – Law Library	E11-19
10-27-11	Damaged personal property/stolen personal property – Aging	E11-20
11-01-11	Complaint about county employee – District Attorney	E11-21
11-04-11	Stolen county laptop – Juvenile Probation	E11-22
11-04-11	Falsified charges by vendor – Program for Women & Families	E11-23
11-18-11	Stolen generator at courthouse – General Services	E11-24
11-21-11	Stolen personal property/car vandalism – county employee	E11-25
12-09-11	Alleged misuse of credit card – Lehigh County Housing Authority	E11-26
12-12-11	Alleged employee mistreatment – county employee	E11-27