

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

AUDIT RESULTS FROM

SINGLE AUDIT PROCEDURES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

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The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor Members of the North Carolina General Assembly The Honorable Meg Scott Phipps, Commissioner Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

We have completed certain audit procedures at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services related to the State's *Single Audit Report* for the year ended June 30, 2001. Our audit was made by authority of Article 5A of *North Carolina General Statute § 147*.

We are pleased to advise you that these procedures, as described below, yielded no audit findings and recommendations for the Department related to the State's federal financial assistance programs that required disclosure in the aforementioned report.

The accounts and operations of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services are an integral part of the State's reporting entity represented in the *Single Audit Report*. In the *Single Audit Report*, the State Auditor presents the results of tests on the State's internal control and on the State's compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to the State's financial statements and to its federal financial assistance programs. The audit procedures were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133.

As part of the work necessary for issuance of the *Single Audit Report*, the Cooperative Agreements with States for Intrastate Meat and Poultry Inspection program was subjected to audit procedures at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The audit of this federal program at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is substantially less in scope than would be necessary to report on the administration of federal programs by the Department. Therefore, we do not express such a conclusion.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Ralph Campbell, Jr. State Auditor

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