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FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT OF

NORTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR APPLIED TEXTILE TECHNOLOGY

BELMONT, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

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AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor
The General Assembly of North Carolina
Board of Trustees, North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology

This report presents the results of our financial statement audit of the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, for the year ended June 30, 2001. Our audit was made by authority of Article 5A of G.S. §147.

The accounts and operations of the Center are an integral part of the State's reporting entity represented in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* (CAFR) and the State's *Single Audit Report*. In those reports, the State Auditor expresses an opinion on the State's financial statements. In the *Single Audit Report*, the State Auditor also presents the audit results on the State's internal controls 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.

As part of the audit work necessary for the CAFR and the *Single Audit Report*, the accounts and operations of the Center were subject to audit procedures as we considered necessary. In addition, we performed auditing procedures that we considered necessary for us to report on the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information that relate solely to the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology. The audit procedures were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The purpose of this report is to present the results of our audit on the accompanying financial statements that relate solely to the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology. A summary of our reporting objectives and audit results are:

- 1. Objective** - Express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information that relate solely to the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology.

Results - The accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the amounts and disclosures made in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying supplementary information presents information that is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements.

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2. **Objective** - Present instances of noncompliance, if any, with laws, regulations, contracts, or grants.

Results - Our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance which require disclosure herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

3. **Objective** - Present significant deficiencies, if any, in internal control over financial reporting which could adversely affect the Center's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data in the financial statements.

Results - Our tests disclosed no material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting which require disclosure herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

North Carolina General Statutes require the State Auditor to make audit reports available to the public. Copies of audit reports issued by the Office of the State Auditor may be obtained through one of the options listed in the back of this report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ralph Campbell, Jr." in a cursive script.

Ralph Campbell, Jr.
State Auditor

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees
North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Belmont, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Balance Sheet of the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of June 30, 2001, and the related Statement of Changes in Fund Equity and Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Center's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology as of June 30, 2001, and the changes in fund equity and the current funds revenues, expenditures, and other changes for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, the Center implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*, during the year ended June 30, 2001.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 28, 2002 on our consideration of the Center's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and

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grants. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with the independent auditor's report in considering the results of our audit.

Schedule 1 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Ralph Campbell, Jr.
State Auditor

June 28, 2002

North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2001

Exhibit A

	Current Funds			Plant Funds	
	Unrestricted		Restricted	Unexpended	Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary			
<i>ASSETS</i>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 111.08	\$ 6,158.80	\$ 128,816.60	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Accounts Receivable	16,415.00				
Due from Other Funds	8,008.36				
Due from Primary Government				2,225,388.53	
Inventories	2,190.25	2,647.58			
Fixed Assets (Note 4)					367,225.77
Total Assets	\$ 26,724.69	\$ 8,806.38	\$ 128,816.60	\$ 2,225,388.53	\$ 367,225.77

North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2001

Exhibit A
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	Current Funds			Plant Funds	
	Unrestricted		Restricted	Unexpended	Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary			
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Due to Other Funds				8,008.36	
Accrued Vacation Leave	84,585.81				
Total Liabilities	84,685.81			8,008.36	
Fund Equity:					
Net Investment in Plant					367,225.77
Fund Balances:					
Restricted Funds			128,816.60	2,217,380.17	
Unrestricted Funds	(57,961.12)	8,806.38			
Total Fund Equity (Deficit)	(57,961.12)	8,806.38	128,816.60	2,217,380.17	367,225.77
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 26,724.69</u>	<u>\$ 8,806.38</u>	<u>\$ 128,816.60</u>	<u>\$ 2,225,388.53</u>	<u>\$ 367,225.77</u>
The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.					

***North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Statement of Changes in Fund Equity
Year Ended June 30, 2001***

Exhibit B

	Current Funds			Plant Funds	
	Unrestricted				Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary	Restricted	Unexpended	
Revenues and Other Additions:					
Tuition and Fees	\$ 113,653.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 95,980.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
State Contracts and Grants	1,575,874.59			2,029,447.00	
Nongovernmental Contracts and Grants			66,900.00		
Investment Income	231.08		1,634.99		
Sales and Services	18,564.50	25,262.24			
Expended for Plant Facilities					5,416.76
Other Revenues and Additions	726.17				
Total Revenues and Other Additions	1,709,049.34	25,262.24	164,514.99	2,029,447.00	5,416.76
Expenditures and Other Deductions:					
Educational and General	1,713,857.53		79,408.76		
Auxiliary Enterprises		25,597.05			
Expended for Plant Facilities				127,533.95	
Total Expenditures and Other Deductions	1,713,857.53	25,597.05	79,408.76	127,533.95	
Net Increase (Decrease) for the Year	(4,808.19)	(334.81)	85,106.23	1,901,913.05	5,416.76
Fund Equity (Deficit) July 1, 2000	(53,152.93)	9,141.19	43,710.37	315,467.12	361,809.01
Fund Equity (Deficit) June 30, 2001	\$ (57,961.12)	\$ 8,806.38	\$ 128,816.60	\$ 2,217,380.17	\$ 367,225.77

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes
Year Ended June 30, 2001, with comparative totals for 2000

Exhibit C

	Unrestricted			Restricted	Year Ended June 30,	
	General	Proprietary	Total		2001	2000
Revenues:						
Tuition and Fees	\$ 113,653.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 113,653.00	\$ 95,980.00	\$ 209,633.00	\$ 186,589.49
State Contracts and Grants	1,575,874.59		1,575,874.59		1,575,874.59	1,396,931.67
Local Contracts and Grants						5,000.00
Nongovernmental Contracts and Grants				66,900.00	66,900.00	
Investment Income	231.08		231.08	1,634.99	1,866.07	252.58
Sales and Services	18,564.50	25,262.24	43,826.74		43,826.74	10,430.00
Other Sources	726.17		726.17		726.17	34,395.00
Total Revenues	1,709,049.34	25,262.24	1,734,311.58	164,514.99	1,898,826.57	1,633,598.74
Expenditures:						
Educational and General:						
Instruction	864,693.54		864,693.54	79,408.76	944,102.30	664,346.01
Student Services						44,629.43
Institutional Support	653,809.89		653,809.89		653,809.89	641,276.00
Plant Maintenance and Operations	195,354.10		195,354.10		195,354.10	194,459.84
Auxiliary Enterprises		25,597.05	25,597.05		25,597.05	7,926.55
Total Expenditures	1,713,857.53	25,597.05	1,739,454.58	79,408.76	1,818,863.34	1,552,637.83
Net Increase (Decrease) in Fund Equity	\$ (4,808.19)	\$ (334.81)	\$ (5,143.00)	\$ 85,106.23	\$ 79,963.23	\$ 80,960.91

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NORTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR APPLIED TEXTILE TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2001

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- A. Financial Reporting Entity** - The concept underlying the definition of the financial reporting entity is that elected officials are accountable to their constituents for their actions. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial reporting entity includes both the primary government and all of its component units. An organization other than a primary government serves as a nucleus for a reporting entity when it issues separate financial statements. The North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology is a component unit of the North Carolina Community College System which is a part of the primary government of the State of North Carolina and an integral part of the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

The accompanying financial statements present all funds under the authority of the institution Chapter 115D-68 Article 6 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. The basis criterion for inclusion is the exercise of oversight responsibility. Oversight responsibility is derived from the ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. Related foundations and similar non-profit corporations for which the Center is not financially accountable are not part of the accompanying financial statements. These entities are not included because they are separately incorporated and there are neither common directors nor other evidence of common control.

- B. Basis of Presentation** - The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to governmental colleges and universities as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). In accordance with GASB Statement #15 *Governmental College and University Accounting and Financial Reporting Models*, the Center has elected to follow the fund accounting and reporting guidelines set forth by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in its Industry Audit Guide, *Audits of Colleges and Universities*.
- C. Fund Structure** - The accompanying financial statements are structured into two categories of funds: Current and Plant Funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The **Current Funds** are used to account for the revenues and expenditures resulting from operations, with the Unrestricted Funds and Restricted Fund shown separately. The Restricted Fund represents resources that are restricted to use by either an outside donor or grantor. Current funds that are internally designated for specific purposes by the governing board or management having delegated authority are reported as Unrestricted Funds. The fiscal year of 1999-2000 was the initial reporting of Institutional Funds held by the Center. The System Office authorized the Center to collect bookstore receipts, vending receipts, self-support classes, capital construction, and other non-state funds through an Institutional Fund Account administered through Wachovia Bank. The Unrestricted Proprietary Fund now reflects the operations of the bookstore, other auxiliary enterprises, and student activity funds and is shown separately from the Unrestricted General Fund.

The **Plant Funds** are used to account for additions and deductions from fund equity of the Unexpended Plant Fund and the Investment in Plant Fund.

- D. Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements of the Center have been prepared on the accrual basis except that, in accordance with accounting practices customarily followed by public educational institutions, no provision is made for depreciation of physical plant assets, and revenue from tuition and student fees for summer sessions is reported totally within the fiscal year in which the session is primarily conducted. Otherwise, revenues are recorded when earned and expenditures are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Center receives value without directly giving equal value in exchange, include grants, state and county appropriations, and private donations. On an accrual basis, revenues from these transactions are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements (resource provider conditions) have been satisfied, if measurable and probable of collection.

The Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes is a statement of financial activities of current funds related to the current reporting period. It does not purport to present the results of operations or the net income or loss for the period, as would a statement of income or a statement of revenues and expenses.

- E. Cash and Cash Equivalents** – This classification includes cash on deposit with private bank accounts and petty cash.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

- F. Receivables and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts** – Accounts receivable are shown at book value with no provision for doubtful accounts considered necessary.
- G. Inventories** - Inventories held by the Center are priced at the lower of cost or market value using the first-in, first-out method. The inventories for the Unrestricted General Fund consist of expendable supplies and postage. Inventories for the Unrestricted Proprietary Fund consist of textbooks.
- H. Fixed Assets and Depreciation** – Fixed Assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition or fair market value at date of donation in the case of gifts. The Center capitalizes fixed assets that have a value or cost in excess of \$5,000 at the date of acquisition and an expected useful life of one or more years. Depreciation is not recorded. The Center, unlike the other 58 institutions within the NCCCS, does not receive an annual equipment allotment.
- To the extent that current funds are used to finance plant assets, the amounts provided are accounted for as expenditures, in the case of normal replacement of furniture and movable equipment, and transfers of a non-mandatory nature for all other cases.
- I. Vacation and Sick Leave** - The Center's policy is to record the cost of vacation leave when earned. The policy provides for a maximum accumulation of unused vacation leave of 30 days which can be carried forward each January 1st or for which an employee can be paid upon termination of employment. Also, any accumulated vacation leave in excess of 30 days at year-end is converted to sick leave. Under this policy, the accumulated vacation leave for each employee at June 30th equals the leave carried forward at the previous December 31st plus the leave earned, less the leave taken between January 1st and June 30th.
- The Center has the policy of recording the cost of sick leave when taken and paid rather than when the leave is earned. The policy provides for unlimited accumulation of sick leave, but the employee cannot be compensated for any unused sick leave upon termination of employment.
- J. Revenue Recognition** - Current Funds revenues, as reflected on Exhibit C, are from State appropriations and Institutional funding. The Center receives no federal funding. The North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology is not accredited due to the size of the school; therefore, the Center is ineligible for student aid programs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS

All funds of the Center are deposited in board-designated official depositories and are required to be collateralized in accordance with G.S. § 115D-58.7. Official depositories may be established with any bank or savings and loan association whose principal office is located in North Carolina or with the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool. Also, the Center may establish time deposit accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. At year-end, cash on hand was \$200.00. The carrying amount of cash on deposit was \$134,886.48 and the bank balance was \$152,606.99. All of the cash was on deposit with private financial institutions.

The North Carolina Administrative Code (20 NCAC 7) requires all depositories to collateralize public deposits in excess of federal depository insurance coverage by using one of two methods, dedicated or pooled. Under the dedicated method, a separate escrow account is established by each depository in the name of each local governmental unit and the responsibility of monitoring collateralization rests with the local unit. Under the pooling method, each depository establishes an escrow account in the name of the State Treasurer to secure all of its public deposits. This method shifts the monitoring responsibility from the local unit to the State Treasurer.

Cash on deposit at year end consisted of the following:

	Book Balance	Bank Balance
Cash on Deposit with Private		
Wachovia Institutional Funds \$	109,886.48	\$ 125,828.10
Wachovia Money Market	25,000.00	26,778.99
	<u>\$ 134,886.48</u>	<u>\$ 152,607.09</u>

The cash on deposit with the State Treasurer is pooled with state agencies and similar institutions in short-term investments with the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool. These moneys are invested in accordance with G.S. § 147-69.1(c) and 147-69.2, and as required by law are "readily convertible into cash." All investments of the fund are held either by the Department of State Treasurer or its agent in the State's name. The fund's uninvested cash is either covered by federal depository insurance or, pursuant to 20 NCAC 7, is collateralized under either the dedicated or pooling method.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 3 - CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in the fixed assets is presented as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>July 1, 2000</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2001</u>
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	\$ 361,809.01	\$ 5,416.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 367,225.77

NOTE 4 - COMMUNITY COLLEGE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

The 1999-2000 Session of the General Assembly of North Carolina authorized the issuance of six hundred million dollars of general obligation bonds of the State, as subsequently approved by a vote of qualified voters of the State, to provide funds for capital improvements for the North Carolina Community College System. The funds authorized are to be used solely to construct new buildings and to renovate and modernize existing buildings on the North Carolina Community College System campuses. The bond legislation specifies the amount of bond funding for each College campus as well as the intended amount for new construction and repair and replacement. The legislation further provides that the State Board of Community Colleges shall be responsible for the approval of projects in accordance with provisions of the legislation. The bonds are authorized to be issued over a six-year period beginning in 2001 at a level not to exceed amounts provided in the legislation. Using a cash flow financing approach, The Community College System's Office (CCSO), establishes annual amounts not to exceed for each approved project. The amounts not to exceed are subject to change due to actual cash availability and needs during the year. Subsequent to the bond sales and the availability of bond proceeds, CCSO notifies the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) of the amount not to exceed for the total of the approved projects. Within this amount, based on an official request of cash needs from the State Board of Community Colleges, OSBM authorizes allotments. These allotments are then recorded to specific community college allotment accounts by the CCSO. The Center records the allotments as revenue on the accompanying financial statements. In addition, amounts not allotted but accrued as expended at year-end are recorded as revenue. The Center's remaining authorization \$2,975,314.44 is contingent on future bond sales and CCSO allotment approval. Because of uncertainty and time restrictions the remaining authorization is not recorded as an asset or revenue on the accompanying financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Center is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and the destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are handled via a combination of methods, including participation in various state-administered risk pools, purchase of commercial insurance, and self-retention of certain risks.

Tort claims of up to \$500,000 are self-insured under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. In addition, the State provides excess liability coverage up to \$11,000,000 for public officers and employees via contract with a private insurance company. The premium, based on a composite rate, is paid by the North Carolina Community College System Office to the State's Agent of Record.

Fire and other property losses are covered by the Public School Insurance Fund, a state administered public entity risk pool. This fund is financed by premiums and interest and reinsures losses greater than \$10,000,000 per occurrence. The excess insurer provides property coverage up to \$30,000,000 per location annually. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There have been no claims at the Center.

State-owned vehicles used for instructional purposes are covered by liability insurance handled by the State Department of Insurance.

The Center is protected for losses from employee dishonesty and computer fraud for employees paid in whole or in part from State funds. The blanket honesty bond is with a private insurance company and is handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance with coverage of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and a \$50,000 deductible.

Employees and retirees are provided health care coverage by the Comprehensive Major Medical Plan, a component unit of the State. The Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions and is administered by a third party contractor. Health care coverage is optionally available through contractual agreements with several HMO plans through the end of this fiscal year.

The State Board of Community Colleges makes the necessary arrangements to carry out the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act which are applicable to employees whose wages are paid in whole or in part from State funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Term life insurance of \$25,000 to \$50,000 is provided to eligible workers. The death benefit program is administered by the State Treasurer's Office and funded via employer contributions.

Additional details on the state-administered risk management programs are disclosed in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, issued by the Office of the State Controller.

NOTE 6 - DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The deficit fund balance in the Current Unrestricted General Fund is attributable to the Center adjusting its cash basis records to the accrual basis of accounting as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). In accordance with GAAP, receivables were not recognized for liabilities associated with future period appropriations or certifications.

As required by G.S. 115D-31 and 115D-32, the State Board of Community Colleges and the associated local tax-levying authority(s) are responsible for supporting the financial needs of the Center. This support is authorized on a cash basis through an annual appropriation or certification process for a specified fiscal year period. While GAAP prohibits the Center from recording receivables from future period authorizations, the Center will continue to receive, as provided by law, sufficient support for its financial needs.

NOTE 7 - PENSION PLANS

A. Retirement Plans - Each permanent full-time employee, as a condition of employment, is a member of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (System) is a multiple-employer cost sharing defined benefit pension plan administered by the North Carolina State Treasurer.

After five years of creditable service, members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System qualify for a vested deferred benefit. Employees who retire on or after age 65 and complete 5 years of membership service (age 55 and 5 years of creditable service for law enforcement officers), reach age 60 with 25 years of membership service, or complete 30 years of creditable service receive a retirement allowance of 1.81% of an average final compensation (based on the 4 consecutive years that produce the highest average) multiplied by the number of years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

of creditable service. Employees may retire with reduced benefits if they reach age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or reach age 60 with 5 years of creditable service (age 50 with 15 years creditable service for law enforcement officers).

Benefit and contribution provisions for the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are established by North Carolina General Statute 135-5 and 135-8 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Employer and member contribution rates are set each year by the North Carolina General Assembly based on annual actuarial valuations. For the year ended June 30, 2001, these rates were set at 5.33% of covered payroll for employers and 6% of covered payroll for members.

For the year ended June 30, 2001, the Center had a total payroll of \$1,110,035.91 of which \$1,014,123.50 was covered under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Total employee and employer contributions for pension benefits for the year were \$60,847.41 and \$54,403.34, respectively. The Center made one hundred percent of its annual required contributions for the years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999, which were \$54,052.76, \$80,403.75, and \$67,403.34, respectively.

In accordance with constitutional provisions requiring a balanced budget for the State of North Carolina, the Governor issued an executive order requiring the employers' share of retirement contributions for the months of February 2001 through June 2001 be transferred to a reserve account rather than paid to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. A portion of those funds was ultimately used by the State of North Carolina for general fund purposes and not released to the retirement system. The total amount of employer contributions paid by the Center has been recognized as pension costs in the financial statements. The contributions which were not released to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are considered immaterial to the Center's financial statements taken as a whole. The Center has no liability for pension costs beyond the contributions already made.

The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System's financial information is included in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page <http://www.osc.state.nc.us/> and clicking on "Financial Reports", or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

B. Deferred Compensation and Supplemental Retirement Income Plans

IRC Section 457 Plan - The State of North Carolina offers its permanent employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 through the North Carolina Public Employee Deferred Compensation Plan (the Plan). The Plan permits each participating employee to defer a portion of his or her salary until future years. The deferred compensation is available to employees upon separation from service, death, disability, retirement or financial hardships if approved by the Board of Trustees of the Plan. The Board, a part of the North Carolina Department of Administration, maintains a separate fund for the exclusive benefit of the participating employees and their beneficiaries, *the North Carolina Public Employee Deferred Compensation Trust Fund*. The Board also contracts with an external third party to perform certain administrative requirements and to manage the trust fund's assets. All costs of administering and funding the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the Center. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$2,000.00 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

IRC Section 401(k) Plan - All members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are eligible to enroll in the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan, a defined contribution plan, created under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). All costs of administering the plan are the responsibility of the plan participants. No costs are incurred by the Center except for a 5% employer contribution for the Center's law enforcement officers which is mandated under General Statute 143-163.30(e). The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$56,946.00 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

NOTE 8 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Health Care for Long-Term Disability Beneficiaries and Retirees -

The Center participates in state administered programs which provide postemployment health insurance to eligible former employees. Eligible former employees include long-term disability beneficiaries of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina, and retirees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. These benefits were established by Chapter 135, Article 3, Part 3, of the General Statutes and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Funding for the health care benefit for long-term disability beneficiaries and retirees is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. The Center contributed 1.28% of the covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System for these health care benefits. For the fiscal year

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ended June 30, 2001, the Center's total contribution to the Plan was \$12,980.76. The Center assumes no liability for retiree health care benefits provided by the programs other than its required contribution. Additional detailed information about these programs can be located in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

- B. Long-Term Disability** - The Center participates in the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina (DIPNC). Established by Chapter 135, Article 6, of the General Statutes, DIPNC provides short-term and long-term disability benefits to eligible members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Long-term disability income benefits are advance funded on an actuarially determined basis using the one-year term cost method. The Center contributes .52% of covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to the DIPNC. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, the Center's total contribution to the DIPNC was \$5,273.41. The Center assumes no liability for long-term disability benefits under the plan other than its contribution. Additional detailed information about the DIPNC is disclosed in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

NOTE 9 - NORTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR APPLIED TEXTILE TECHNOLOGY FOUNDATION

The North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology Foundation is a separately incorporated non-profit foundation associated with the Center. This organization serves as the primary fundraising arm of the Center through which individuals, corporations and other organizations support Center programs by providing scholarships, fellowships, faculty salary supplements, and unrestricted funds to specific departments and the Center's overall academic environment. The Center's financial statements do not include the assets, liabilities, net assets or operational transactions of the Foundation, except for the distributions made and benefits provided by the Foundation. The distributions received and/or benefits provided approximated \$69,178.00 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

NOTE 10 - ACCOUNTING CHANGE

Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions* - Effective July 1, 2000, the Center implemented the new accounting and reporting standards required in GASB #33. This standard provides accounting rules over Nonexchange transactions and changes the Center's standards for the

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recognition of revenues and the reporting of funds received but not earned in the Center's restricted fund. In prior years, the Center reported funds received but not expended in its restricted fund as an addition to fund equity. Based on this new standard, revenues are recognized when earned and when the resource provider's conditions have been satisfied. Amounts received not meeting the recognition requirements are now reported as deferred revenue. In addition, the new standard requires promises to give (pledges) that are expected to be collected and available for expenditure, and that are verifiable and measurable, be recorded as a receivable and revenue, upon satisfying the resource provider's conditions. Prior to this year, pledges were not recorded as a receivable unless there was a legally enforceable right. This change does not affect the Center's beginning fund equities.

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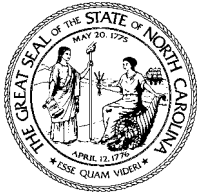
Schedule of General Obligation Bond Project Authorizations, Budgets and Expenditures

For Project-to-Date as of June 30, 2001

Schedule 1

	Projected			Total			Expected
	Start	General Obligation	Other	Project	Amount	Percent	Completion
Capital Improvement Projects	Date	Bonds Authorized	Sources	Budget	Expended	Completed	Date
<i>Projects Approved by the State Board</i>							
#905 Lab/Administration Building	Feb 1998	\$ 3,187,200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,187,200.00	\$ 211,885.56	6.65%	Dec 2002

Note: The 1999-2000 Session of the General Assembly of North Carolina authorized the issuance of six hundred million dollars of general obligation bonds of the State, as subsequently approved by a vote of qualified voters of the State, to provide funds for capital improvements for the North Carolina Community College System. The projects listed on this schedule are those funded or to be funded by bond proceeds from the general obligation bonds authorized by Senate Bill 912.



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ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Board of Trustees
North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology
Belmont, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2002.

As discussed in Note 10 to the financial statements, the Center implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*, during the year ended June 30, 2001.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Center's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Center's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting

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would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees and the State Board of Community Colleges, management and staff of the Center, the Governor, the State Controller, the General Assembly, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ralph Campbell, Jr." in a cursive script.

Ralph Campbell, Jr.
State Auditor

June 28, 2002

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