

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

RESULTS OF

STATEWIDE FINANCIAL AUDIT PROCEDURES AT THE

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR

RALPH CAMPBELL, JR.

STATE AUDITOR

Ralph Campbell, Jr. State Auditor

Office of the State Auditor

2 S. Salisbury Street 20601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-0601 Telephone: (919) 807-7500 Fax: (919) 807-7647 Internet http://www.ncauditor.net

December 15, 2004

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor Members of the North Carolina General Assembly The Honorable Britt Cobb, 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 of North Carolina reporting entity as presented in the *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)* and *Single Audit Report* for the year ended June 30, 2004. Our audit was performed by authority of Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the *North Carolina General Statutes*.

In the *CAFR*, the State Auditor expresses an opinion on the State's financial statements. In the *Single Audit Report*, the State Auditor presents the results of tests of internal control and compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to the State's financial statements and to its federal financial assistance programs. Our 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 the Single Audit Act as applicable. Our audit scope at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services included the following:

State of North Carolina's Financial Statements

None

State of North Carolina's Administration of Federal Financial Assistance Programs

Food Donation Program (CFDA # 10.550)

Our audit procedures at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services were less in scope than would be necessary to report on the financial statements that relate solely to the Department or its administration of federal programs. Therefore, we do not express such conclusions.

The results of our audit procedures disclosed no matters involving internal control, instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* or the Single Audit Act.

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.

Ralph Campbell, Jr.

aph Campbell. J.

State Auditor

DISTRIBUTION OF AUDIT RESULTS

In accordance with General Statutes 147-64.5 and 147-64.6(c)(14), copies of this report have been distributed to the public officials listed below. Additional copies are provided to other legislators, state officials, the press, and the general public upon request.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The Honorable Michael F. Easley Governor of North Carolina

The Honorable Beverly M. Perdue Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina The Honorable Richard H. Moore

State Treasurer The Honorable Roy A. Cooper, III Attorney General Mr. David T. McCoy State Budget Officer Mr. Robert L. Powell State Controller

The Honorable Britt Cobb Commissioner of Agriculture

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Appointees to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

President Pro Tempore Speaker of the House

Senator Marc Basnight, Co-Chair Representative James B. Black, Co-Chair Senator Charles W. Albertson Representative Richard T. Morgan, Co-Chair Senator Daniel G. Clodfelter Representative Martha B. Alexander

Senator Walter H. Dalton Representative Rex L. Baker

Senator Charlie S. Dannelly Representative Bobby H. Barbee, Sr. Representative Harold J. Brubaker Senator James Forrester

Senator Linda Garrou Representative Debbie A. Clary Representative E. Nelson Cole Senator Fletcher L. Hartsell, Jr.

Senator David W. Hoyle Representative James W. Crawford, Jr. Senator Ellie Kinnaird Representative William T. Culpepper, III Representative W. Pete Cunningham Senator Jeanne H. Lucas Representative W. Robert Grady Senator Anthony E. Rand Senator Eric M. Reeves Representative Joe Hackney Senator Robert A. Rucho Representative Julia C. Howard

Senator R. C. Soles, Jr. Representative Joe L. Kiser Senator Scott Thomas Representative Edd Nye

Representative William C. Owens, Jr. Representative Wilma M. Sherrill

Representative Thomas E. Wright

Other Legislative Officials

Director, Fiscal Research Division Mr. James D. Johnson

December 17, 2004

ORDERING INFORMATION

Copies of this report may be obtained by contacting the:

Office of the State Auditor State of North Carolina 2 South Salisbury Street 20601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-0601

Internet: http://www.ncauditor.net

Telephone: 919/807-7500

Facsimile: 919/807-7647