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AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor The General Assembly of North Carolina Board of Trustees, Catawba Valley Community College

We have completed a financial statement and compliance audit of Catawba Valley Community College for the year ended June 30, 2005, and our audit results are included in this report. You will note from the independent auditor's report that we determined that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters based on an audit of the financial statements and our consideration of the College's administration of federal programs in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, contracts and grants resulted in no audit findings.

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.

Leslie W. Merritt, Jr., CPA, CFP State Auditor

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May 3, 2006

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Catawba Valley Community College Hickory, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Catawba Valley Community College, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, and its discretely presented component unit, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Catawba Valley Community College's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc., which represents 100% of the College's discretely presented component unit. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for that entity, is based on the report of the other auditors.

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. The financial statements of Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc., were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. 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 the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the report of other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of Catawba Valley Community College and its discretely presented component unit as of June 30, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

As discussed in Note 14 to the financial statements, the College implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*, during the year ended June 30, 2005.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 7, 2006, on our consideration of the College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis, as listed in the table of contents, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Leslie W. Merritt, Jr., CPA, CFP

Leslie W. Merritt, Jr.

State Auditor

February 7, 2006

CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Catawba Valley Community College (CVCC), a component unit of the State of North Carolina, is presented to provide an overview of the College's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the College's financial statements and the footnotes to the financial statements.

Overview of the Financial Statements

Effective July 1, 2001, the College implemented GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, as amended by GASB Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities, and GASB Statement No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures. The College has elected to report as a special purpose government engaged in business-type activities. Under this option, the College presents financial statements using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

Basic Financial Statements

The basic financial statements for the College include the following:

- Statement of Net Assets;
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets;
- Statement of Cash Flows.

The Statement of Net Assets as well as the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets are shown in classified format. This will show the distinction between current and noncurrent assets, liabilities, and operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses. The direct method is used to present the Statement of Cash Flows. The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a complete understanding of the data provided in the statements and schedules.

Financial Information

The College's financial position may be significantly affected by the following:

- Curriculum enrollment increased 9% for fiscal year 04-05;
- Fiscal year 04-05 tuition rates reflected an increase of 7%;
- The State budget was received in August 2004, with \$267,706 or 1.43% required to be reverted to the State.
- Catawba County government budget for CVCC increased 4.0% from 04-05;

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

- Funds for capital projects from the county increased by \$302,000.00 in 04-05;
- Construction expenditures increased \$6,918,021.91;
- Received Title III grant for \$365,000.00 in 04-05;
- Received construction monies from the County for the Classroom-Laboratory Building of \$7,000,000.00 in 04-05.

Condensed Financial Statements

Condensed Statement of Net Assets

	2005	2004	Difference
Assets			
Current Assets	\$ 4,716,625.71	\$ 3,762,987.60	\$ 953,638.11
Noncurrent Assets			
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable	9,483,452.99	1,873,789.57	7,609,663.42
Capital Assets, Depreciable, Net	13,778,689.10	13,592,440.00	186,249.10
Other	1,439,480.66	7,705,842.85	(6,266,362.19)
Total Assets	29,418,248.46	26,935,060.02	2,483,188.44
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	1,069,224.60	510,827.95	558,396.65
Noncurrent Liablilites	1,520,786.57	1,374,476.13	146,310.44
Total Liabilities	2,590,011.17	1,885,304.08	704,707.09
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	22,964,545.09	15,466,229.57	7,498,315.52
Restricted	1,176,654.57	7,444,255.56	(6,267,600.99)
Unrestricted	2,687,037.63	2,139,270.81	547,766.82
Total Net Assets	\$ 26,828,237.29	\$ 25,049,755.94	\$ 1,778,481.35

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

	2005	2004	Difference
Operating Revenues			
Tuition and Fees	\$ 4,578,585.27	\$ 4,497,156.15	\$ 81,429.12
Federal Grants and Contracts	3,458,829.63	3,308,824.36	150,005.27
State Grants and Contracts	13,357.00	0.00	13,357.00
Sales and Services	2,999,333.09	2,578,328.10	421,004.99
Other	20,811.76	7,989.00	12,822.76
Total Operating Revenues	11,070,916.75	10,392,297.61	678,619.14
Operating Expenses	31,681,022.18	29,528,820.48	2,152,201.70
Operating Loss	(20,610,105.43)	(19,136,522.87)	(1,473,582.56)
Nonoperating Revenues			
State Aid	15,438,486.93	12,700,893.81	2,737,593.12
County Appropriations	2,112,666.00	2,031,414.00	81,252.00
Other Nonoperating Revenues	2,087,032.16	2,015,182.95	71,849.21
Total Nonoperating Revenues	19,638,185.09	16,747,490.76	2,890,694.33
Loss Before Other Revenues	(971,920.34)	(2,389,032.11)	1,417,111.77
Capital Contributions	2,996,401.69	9,329,073.11	(6,332,671.42)
Increase in Net Assets	2,024,481.35	6,940,041.00	(4,915,559.65)
Net Assets- July 1, as Restated	24,803,755.94	17,863,714.94	6,940,041.00
Net Assets End of Year	\$ 26,828,237.29	\$ 24,803,755.94	\$ 2,024,481.35

The College's net assets at fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, were \$26,828,237.29, an increase of \$2,024,481.35, or 8% over the previous year, \$24,803,755.94, as restated, due to the increase in Construction in Progress for the Classroom/Lab Building. Of the total net assets, \$22,964,545.09, or 85.60% was invested in capital assets, net of related debt, with unrestricted assets of \$2,687,037.63, or 10.02% and restricted assets of \$1,176,654.57, or 4.39%.

Total liabilities at fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, were \$2,590,011.17, with current liabilities being \$1,069,224.60 and noncurrent liabilities being \$1,520,786.57. Current liabilities are those that will be paid within one year, while noncurrent liabilities will not become due within one year.

Total revenues at fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, were \$33,705,503.53, with operating revenues of \$11,070,916.75 or 32.85%, nonoperating revenues of \$19,638,185.09 or 58.26%, and other capital related revenues of \$2,996,401.69 or 8.89%. The major revenue sources received were from the State, county, and federal governments totaling \$23,276,997.14.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONCLUDED)

The College's largest expense was in the area of personal services, totaling \$20,126,690.51. Other areas of expenses are for supplies and materials, services, scholarships and fellowships, utilities, and depreciation totaling \$11,554,331.67.

During the year the College had one capital building project in process – the Classroom Lab Building. Total construction in progress was \$7,402,321.12 at year end. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, Other Noncurrent Assets decreased from \$7,705,842.85 in 2004 to \$1,439,480.66 in 2005. This decrease was due primarily to the reduction in the bond receivable of \$5,882,528.82 from the State.

During the year, the College had an increase in State aid of \$2,737,593.12, as a result of the increase in curriculum enrollment of 20% in fiscal year 2003-2004. The increase in enrollment resulted in an increase of the State allotment for fiscal year 2004-2005. Also, during the year the College had a decrease in Capital Contributions of \$6,332,671.42, due primarily to the decrease of bond monies allotted from the State for the Classroom/Lab Building.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

At fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, the College had not received any official information on the 2005-2006 budget. However, the State of North Carolina is encountering a budget crisis and the College anticipates further decreases in revenue in the upcoming year.

Catawba Valley Community College Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2005

Exhibit A-1

ASSETS Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables (Note 3) Due from State of North Carolina Component Units Inventories	\$ 2,014,315.73 810,890.18 1,581,455.87 50,792.16 259,171.77
Total Current Assets	4,716,625.71
Noncurrent Assets: Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Due from Primary Government Capital Assets - Nondepreciable (Note 4) Capital Assets - Depreciable, Net (Note 4)	122,006.51 1,317,474.15 9,483,452.99 13,778,689.10
Total Noncurrent Assets	24,701,622.75
Total Assets	29,418,248.46
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities: Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (Note 5) Due to Component Unit - Current Portion Funds Held for Others Long-Term Liabilities - Current Portion (Note 6) Total Current Liabilities	683,233.44 287,742.00 76,993.60 21,255.56 1,069,224.60
Noncurrent Liabilities: Long-Term Liabilities (Note 6)	1,520,786.57
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	1,520,786.57
Total Liabilities	2,590,011.17
NET ASSETS Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Restricted for:	22,964,545.09
Expendable: Scholarships and Fellowships Capital Projects Other Unrestricted	112,261.34 317,042.47 747,350.76 2,687,037.63
Total Net Assets	\$ 26,828,237.29

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

Catawba Valley Community College Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit A-2

REVENUES Operating Revenues: Student Tuition and Fees, Net (Note 8) Federal Grants and Contracts State and Local Grants and Contracts Sales and Services, Net (Note 8) Other Operating Revenues	\$ 4,578,585.27 3,458,829.63 13,357.00 2,999,333.09 20,811.76
Total Operating Revenues	 11,070,916.75
EXPENSES Operating Expenses: Personal Services Supplies and Materials Services Scholarships and Fellowships Utilities Depreciation	 20,126,690.51 4,967,999.25 3,281,049.40 2,045,584.25 546,599.94 713,098.83
Total Operating Expenses	 31,681,022.18
Operating Loss	 (20,610,105.43)
NONOPERATING REVENUES State Aid County Appropriations Noncapital Grants Noncapital Gifts Investment Income, Net Other Nonoperating Revenues	15,438,486.93 2,112,666.00 1,742,415.88 117,175.14 72,506.57 154,934.57
Net Nonoperating Revenues	 19,638,185.09
Loss Before Other Revenues	(971,920.34)
State Capital Aid County Capital Appropriations Capital Grants	 1,190,119.03 1,076,895.55 729,387.11
Increase in Net Assets	2,024,481.35
NET ASSETS Net Assets, July 1, 2004 as Restated (Note 15)	24,803,755.94
Net Assets, June 30, 2005	\$ 26,828,237.29

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

Catawba Valley Community College Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit A-3

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Received from Customers	\$	10,821,500.77
Payments to Employees and Fringe Benefits		(19,952,145.01)
Payments to Vendors and Suppliers		(8,631,321.73)
Payments for Scholarships and Fellowships		(2,045,584.25)
Other Receipts	_	106,669.21
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities		(19,700,881.01)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
State Aid Received		15,438,486.93
County Appropriations		2,112,666.00
Noncapital Grants Received Noncapital Gifts and Endowments Received		2,213,059.27 117,175.14
Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities		19,881,387.34
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
State Capital Aid Received		7,072,647.85
County Capital Appropriations		1,076,895.55
Capital Grants Received Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets		27,763.64 12,930.30
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets		(8,231,116.97)
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities		(40,879.63)
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investment Income		72,506.57
Cash Provided by Investing Activities		72,506.57
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		212,133.27
Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1, 2004		2,735,079.15
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30, 2005	\$	2,947,212.42
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS		
TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Loss	\$	(20,610,105.43)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		, , , ,
Depreciation Expense		713,098.83
Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income		154,934.57
Changes in Assets and Liabilities: Receivables, Net		(249,415.98)
Inventories		(24,729.00)
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities		(69,369.10)
Due to State of North Carolina component units		287,742.00
Funds Held for Others		(48,265.36)
Compensated Absences		145,228.46
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$	(19,700,881.01)

Catawba Valley Community College Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit A-3
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RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	2,014,315.73
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		810,890.18
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		122,006.51
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents - June 30, 2005	\$	2,947,212.42
NONCASH INVESTING, CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Assets Acquired through Assumption of a Liability	\$	389,371.09
Increase in Receivables Related to Nonoperating Income	•	233,674.65

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

Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc. Statements of Financial Position June 30, 2005

CURRENT ASSETS	•	404.075
Cash Promises to Give, Unrestricted	\$	401,875 500
Investments		102,154
Note Receivable from Related Party, Current Portion		100,000
Other Receivables		2,824
Total Current Assets		607,353
ENDOWMENT ASSETS		
Cash		293,944
Investments		464,100
Total Endowment Assets		758,044
REAL ESTATE		
Investment in Land, at Fair Value		732,625
OTHER ASSETS		
Note Receivable from Related Party, Less Current Portion		187,742
Total Assets	\$	2,285,764
LIABILITIES		
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt		100,000
Long-Term Liability		197,597
Total Liabilities		297,597
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		938,705
Temporarily Restricted		291,418
Permanently Restricted		758,044
Total Net Assets		1,988,167
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	2,285,764

Exhibit B-1

See Note 1 in the Notes to the Financial Statements

Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc. Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

Exhibit B-2

CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
Revenues and Gains		
Contributions	\$	89,873
Interest	•	4,429
Interest - Note Receivable		8,069
Dividends		6,643
Realized Gain on Investments		5,774
Unrealized Loss on Investments		(1,040)
Total Unrestricted Revenues and Gains		113,748
Net Assets Released from Restrictions:		
Satisfaction of Program Restrictions		141,618
Total Unrestricted Revenues, Gains, and Other Support		255,366
Expenses		
Scholarships and grants		145,466
Fund-raising		870
Administration		51,087
Interest		45,852
Uncollectible Promises to Give		
Total Expenses		243,275
Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets		12,091
CHANGES IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
Contributions		71,757
Interest		7,479
Dividends		23,786
Realized Gain on Investments		2,102
Unrealized Gain on Investments		2,849
Net Assets Released from Restrictions:		(141,618)
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Decrease in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets		(33,645)
CHANGES IN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
Contributions		26,691
Realized Loss on Sale of Investments		(52)
Unrealized Gain on Investments		15,827
Increase in Permanently Restricted Net Assets		42,466
Increase in Net Assets		20,912
Net Assets at Beginning of Year		1,967,255
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	1,988,167

CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2005

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. Catawba Valley Community College is a component unit 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 of the College and component units for which the College's Board of Trustees is financially accountable. The College's component unit is discretely presented in the financial statements. Discretely presented component unit's financial data are reported in separate financial statements because of its use of different GAAP reporting models and to emphasize its legal separateness.

Discretely Presented Component Units – Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc. is a legally separate not-for-profit corporation and is reported as a discretely presented component unit based on the nature and significance of its relationship to the College.

The Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc. is a legally separate, tax-exempt component unit of the College. The Foundation acts primarily as a fund-raising organization to supplement the resources that are available to the College in support of its programs. The Foundation board consists of 25 board members. Although the College does not control the timing or amount of receipts from the Foundation, the majority of resources, or income thereon, that the Foundation holds and invests are restricted to the activities of the College by the donors. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation can only be used by, or for the benefit of the College, the Foundation is considered a component unit of the College and is reported in separate financial statements because of the difference in its reporting model, as described below.

The Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc., is a private not-for-profit organization that reports its financial results under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to the Foundation's financial information in the College's financial reporting entity for these differences.

During the year ended June 30, 2005, the Foundation distributed \$169,476.13 to the College for both restricted and unrestricted purposes. Complete financial statements for the Foundation can be obtained from Foundation's Office.

B. Basis of Presentation – The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, as amended by GASB Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities, the full scope of the College's activities is considered to be a single business-type activity and accordingly, is reported within a single column in the basic financial statements.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the College does not apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued after November 30, 1989, for proprietary activities, unless the GASB amends its pronouncements to specifically adopt FASB pronouncements issued after that date.

- C. Basis of Accounting The financial statements of the College have been prepared using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.
- **D.** Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification includes undeposited receipts, petty cash, cash on deposit with private bank accounts, and deposits held by the State Treasurer in the short-term investment portfolio. The short-term investment portfolio maintained by the State

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Treasurer has the general characteristics of a demand deposit account in that participants may deposit and withdraw cash at any time without prior notice or penalty.

- **E.** Receivables Receivables consist of tuition and fees charged to students and charges for auxiliary enterprises' sales and services. Receivables also include amounts due from the federal government, State and local governments, and private sources in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to contracts and grants. Receivables are recorded at book value with no provision for doubtful accounts considered necessary.
- **F. Inventories** Inventories, consisting of expendable supplies, merchandise for resale, and fuel oil held for consumption, are valued at lower of cost or market value using the first-in, first-out method.
- **G.** Capital Assets Capital assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition or fair value at date of donation in the case of gifts. The College capitalizes assets that have a value or cost in excess of \$5,000 at the date of acquisition and an expected useful life of more than one year. Library books are generally not considered to have a useful life of more than one year unless part of a collection and are expensed in the year of acquisition.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 10 to 25 years for general infrastructure, 10 to 40 years for buildings, and 3 to 15 years for equipment.

- **H.** Restricted Assets Unexpended capital contributions are classified as restricted assets because their use is limited by donor/grantor agreements. Certain other assets are classified as restricted because their use is limited by external parties or statute.
- **I. Noncurrent Long-Term Liabilities** Noncurrent long-term liabilities include compensated absences that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.
- **J.** Compensated Absences The College'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 July 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.

In addition to the vacation leave described above, compensated absences includes the accumulated unused portion of the special annual leave bonuses awarded by the College to all full-time permanent employees as of September 30, 2002, and as of July 1, 2003. The unused portion of this leave remains available until used, notwithstanding the limitation on annual leave carried forward described above.

When classifying compensated absences into current and noncurrent, leave is considered taken using a last-in, first-out method.

K. Net Assets – The College's net assets are classified as follows:

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt – This represents the College's total investment in capital assets net of outstanding obligations related to those capital assets and presented in these statements as Due to Component Unit – Current Portion.

Restricted Net Assets – **Expendable** – Expendable restricted net assets include resources for which the College is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties.

Unrestricted Net Assets – Unrestricted net assets include resources derived from student tuition and fees, sales and services, unrestricted gifts, and interest income.

Restricted and unrestricted resources are tracked using a fund accounting system and are spent in accordance with established fund authorities. Fund authorities provide rules for the fund activity and are separately established for restricted and unrestricted activities. When both restricted and unrestricted funds are available for expenditure, the decision for funding is transactional based within the departmental management system in place at the College.

L. Scholarship Discounts – Student tuition and fees revenues and certain other revenues from College charges are reported net of scholarship discounts in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. The scholarship discount is the difference between the actual charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount that is paid by students or by third parties on the students' behalf. Student financial assistance grants, such as Pell grants, and other federal, State, or nongovernmental programs, are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. To the extent that revenues from these programs are used to satisfy tuition, fees, and other charges, the College has recorded a scholarship discount.

M. Revenue and Expense Recognition – The College classifies its revenues and expenses as operating or nonoperating in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the College's principal ongoing operations. Operating revenues include activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, and (3) certain federal, State and local grants and contracts. Operating expenses are all expense transactions incurred other than those related to capital and noncapital financing or investing activities as defined by GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.

Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions. Revenues from nonexchange transactions and State aid that represent subsidies or gifts to the College, as well as investment income, are considered nonoperating since these are either investing, capital or noncapital financing activities. Capital contributions are presented separately after nonoperating revenues and expenses.

- N. Internal Sales Activities Certain institutional auxiliary operations provide goods and services to College departments, as well as to its customers. These institutional auxiliary operations include activities such as the College bookstore. In addition, the College has other miscellaneous sales and service units that operated either on a reimbursement or charge basis. All internal sales activities to College departments from auxiliary operations and sales and service units have been eliminated in the accompanying financial statements. These eliminations are recorded by removing the revenue and expense in the auxiliary operations and sales and service units and, if significant, allocating any residual balances to those departments receiving the goods and services during the year.
- O. County Appropriations County appropriations are provided to the College primarily to fund its plant operation and maintenance function and to fund construction projects, motor vehicle purchases, and maintenance of equipment. Unexpended county current appropriation and county capital appropriation do not revert and are available for future use as approved by the county commissioners.

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS

All funds of the College are deposited in board-designated official depositories and are required to be collateralized in accordance with *North Carolina General Statute* 115D-58.7. Official depositories may be established with any bank or savings and loan association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the College may establish time deposit accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. The amount shown on the Statement of Net Assets as cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand totaling \$1,975.00, and deposits in private financial institutions with a carrying value of \$139,032.25 and a bank balance of \$997,279.91.

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.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the College's deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2005, the College's bank balance in excess of federal depository insurance coverage was covered under the pooling method.

The College is authorized to invest idle funds as provided by G.S. 115D-58.6. In accordance with this statute, the College and the Board of Trustees manage investments to ensure they can be converted into cash when needed.

Generally, funds belonging to the College may be invested in the form of investments pursuant to G.S. 159-30(c), as follows: a commingled investment pool established and administered by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-69.3 (STIF), obligations of or fully guaranteed by the United States; obligations of the State of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority; obligations of certain nonguaranteed federal agencies; prime quality commercial paper bearing specified ratings and banker's acceptances; The North Carolina Capital Management Trust, an SEC registered mutual fund; repurchase agreements; and evidences of ownership of, or fractional undivided interests in, future interest and principal payments on either direct obligations of or fully guaranteed by the United States government, which are held by a specified bank or trust company or any state in the capacity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

At June 30, 2005, the amount shown on the Statement of Net Assets as cash and cash equivalents includes \$2,806,205.07, which represents the College's equity position in the State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund. The Short-Term Investment Fund (a portfolio within the State Treasurer's Investment Pool, an external investment pool that is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and does not have a credit rating) has a weighted average maturity of 1.41 years as of June 30, 2005. Assets and shares of the Short-Term Investment Fund are valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Deposit and investment risks associated with the State Treasurer's Investment Pool (which includes the State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund) are 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.ncosc.net/ and clicking on "Financial Reports", or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2005, were as follows:

	 Amount
Current Receivables:	
Students	\$ 745,948.61
Accounts	11,756.07
Intergovernmental	820,896.53
Other	 2,854.66
Total Current Receivables	\$ 1,581,455.87

NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in the capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2005, is presented as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2004	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2005
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable:				
Land	\$ 1,290,943.41	\$ 790,188.46	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,081,131.87
Construction in Progress	484,299.75	6,918,021.37		7,402,321.12
Total Capital Assets, Nondepreciable	1,775,243.16	7,708,209.83		9,483,452.99
Capital Assets, Depreciable:				
Buildings	21,617,330.27			21,617,330.27
Machinery and Equipment	4,807,235.87	912,278.23	69,660.55	5,649,853.55
General Infrastructure	960,482.16			960,482.16
Total Capital Assets, Depreciable	27,385,048.30	912,278.23	69,660.55	28,227,665.98
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings	10,069,749.22	430,103.88		10,499,853.10
Machinery and Equipment	2,762,376.92	282,994.95	56,730.25	2,988,641.62
General Infrastructure	960,482.16			960,482.16
Total Accumulated Depreciation	13,792,608.30	713,098.83	56,730.25	14,448,976.88
Total Capital Assets, Depreciable, Net	13,592,440.00	199,179.40	12,930.30	13,778,689.10
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 15,367,683.16	\$ 7,907,389.23	\$ 12,930.30	\$ 23,262,142.09

NOTE 5 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities at June 30, 2005, were as follows:

	Amount	
Accounts Payable	\$	108,516.26
Accrued Payroll Contract Retainage		183,651.09 348,469.09
Intergovernmental Payables		42,597.00
Total Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$	683,233.44

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities – A summary of changes in the long-term liabilities is presented as follows:

	Balance		Balance	Current		
	July 1, 2004	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2005	Portion	
Compensated Absences	\$ 1,396,813.67	\$ 614,295.09	\$ 469,066.63	\$ 1,542,042.13	\$ 21,255.56	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

NOTE 7 - LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$84,516.49.

NOTE 8 - REVENUES

A summary of eliminations and allowances by revenue classification is presented as follows:

		Gross Revenues	Internal Sales Eliminations		Less Scholarship Discounts		Net Revenues	
Operating Revenues: Student Tuition and Fees	\$	5,542,597.54	\$	0.00	\$	964,012.27	\$	4,578,585.27
Sales and Services: Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises:								
Bookstore Child Development Center Other	\$	2,187,371.99 364,708.31 515,494.53	\$	12,740.15	\$	547,465.86	\$	1,627,165.98 364,708.31 515,494.53
Sales and Services of Education and Related Activities	_	491,964.27						491,964.27
Total Sales and Services	\$	3,559,539.10	\$	12,740.15	\$	547,465.86	\$	2,999,333.09

NOTE 9 - OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

The College's operating expenses by functional classification are presented as follows:

	Personal Services	Supplies and Materials	Services	Scholarships and Fellowships	Utilities	Depreciation	Total
Instruction	\$ 12,546,151.58	\$ 1,397,234.55	\$ 1,085,762.19	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 15,029,148.32
Academic Support	2,260,496.42	173,693.69	425,591.04				2,859,781.15
Student Services	1,137,860.12	68,047.03	56,269.03	60,322.32			1,322,498.50
Institutional Support	3,461,803.36	468,355.37	702,770.68	17,764.00			4,650,693.41
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	566,654.90	1,111,471.40	870,982.66		546,599.94		3,095,708.90
Student Financial Aid			13,451.18	1,958,370.14			1,971,821.32
Auxiliary Enterprises	153,724.13	1,749,197.21	126,222.62	9,127.79			2,038,271.75
Depreciation					_	713,098.83	713,098.83
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 20,126,690.51	\$ 4,967,999.25	\$ 3,281,049.40	\$ 2,045,584.25	\$ 546,599.94	\$ 713,098.83	\$ 31,681,022.18

NOTE 10 - 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 cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the North Carolina State Treasurer.

Benefit and contribution provisions for the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are established by *North Carolina General Statutes*. 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, 2005, these rates were set at 2.17% of covered payroll for employers and 6% of covered payroll for members.

For the year ended June 30, 2005, the College had a total payroll of \$16,837,042.06, of which \$13,892,555.33 was covered under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Total employee and employer contributions for pension benefits for the year were \$833,553.32 and \$301,468.45, respectively. The College made 100% of its annual required contributions for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004, and 2003, which were \$301,468.45, \$26,925.97, and \$0.00, respectively.

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 College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$30,320.00 for the year ended June 30, 2005.

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 College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$170,152.00 for the year ended June 30, 2005.

IRC Section 403(b) and 403(b)(7) Plans – Eligible College employees can participate in tax sheltered annuity plans created under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 403(b)(7). The employee's eligible contributions, made through salary reduction agreements, are exempt from federal and State income taxes until the annuity is received or the contributions are withdrawn. These plans are exclusively for employees of colleges and certain charitable and other nonprofit institutions. All costs of administering and funding these plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$56,960.00 for the year ended June 30, 2005.

NOTE 11 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Health Care for Long-Term Disability Beneficiaries and Retirees – The College 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 College contributed 3.2% of the covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System for these health care benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, the College's total contribution to the Plan was \$444,561.77. The College 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*.

Long-Term Disability – The College 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 College contributes .445% of covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to the DIPNC. For the year ended June 30, 2005, the College's total contribution to the DIPNC was \$61,821.87. The College 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 12 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are handled via a combination of methods, and can include participation in State-administered insurance programs, purchase of commercial insurance, and self-retention of certain risks. 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.

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 public officers' and employees' liability insurance up to \$5,000,000 via contract with a private insurance company. The premium, based on a composite rate, is paid by the North Carolina Community College System Office directly to the private insurer.

Fire and other property losses are covered by contracts with private insurance companies. 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.

State-owned vehicles used for instructional purposes are covered by liability insurance handled by the State Department of Insurance. Liability insurance for other College-owned vehicles is covered by contracts with private insurance companies.

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The College 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. All employees are covered by contracts with private insurance companies with coverage of \$100,000 with a \$500 deductible for forgery or alteration and \$5,000 and no deductible for public employee dishonesty.

Employees and retirees are provided health care coverage by the Comprehensive Major Medical Plan (Plan), a component unit of the State. The Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions and is administered by a third-party contractor.

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. The College purchases workers' compensation insurance for employees whose salaries or wages are paid by the Board entirely from county or institutional funds.

Term life insurance of \$25,000 to \$50,000 is provided to eligible workers. This self-insured death benefit program is administered by the State Treasurer and funded via employer contributions. There were no employer contributions required for the current fiscal year.

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 13 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

- **A.** Commitments The College has established an encumbrance system to track its outstanding commitments on construction projects and other purchases. Outstanding commitments on construction contracts were \$6,519,385.47 and on other purchases were \$40,386.50 at June 30, 2005.
- **B.** Pending Litigation and Claims The College is a party to litigation and claims in the ordinary course of its operations. Since it is not possible to predict the ultimate outcome of these matters, no provision for any liability has been made in the financial statements. College management is of the opinion that the liability, if any, for any of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the College.

C. Community College General Obligation Bonds – The 1999-2000 Session of the General Assembly of North Carolina authorized the issuance of \$600 million 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 were authorized for issuance 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. records the allotments as revenue on the accompanying financial statements. The College's remaining authorization of \$575,000.00 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.

NOTE 14 - CHANGE IN FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, the College implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*. This Statement establishes and modifies disclosure requirements related to investment risks: credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk. This statement also establishes and modifies disclosure requirements for deposit risks: custodial credit risk and foreign currency risk.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

NOTE 15 - NET ASSET RESTATEMENTS

As of July 1, 2004, net assets as previously reported was restated as follows:

	Amount
July 1, 2004 Net Assets as Previously Reported Land Sold to Duke Power Option to Purchase Land on Sweetwater Rd.	\$ 25,049,755.94 (275,000.00) 29,000.00
July 1, 2004 Net Assets as Restated	\$ 24,803,755.94

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Board of Trustees Catawba Valley Community College Hickory, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of Catawba Valley Community College, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, and its discretely presented component unit, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 7, 2006. We did not audit the financial statements of Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc., which represents 100% of the College's discretely presented component unit. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Catawba Valley Community College Foundation, Inc., is based on the report of the other auditors.

As discussed in Note 14 to the financial statements, the College implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*, during the year ended June 30, 2005.

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. The financial statements of the discretely presented component unit were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and accordingly, this report does not extend to the discretely presented component unit.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the College'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 an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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

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risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the College's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, 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 or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, the State Board of Community Colleges, management of the College, 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.

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February 7, 2006

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