# FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT OF LENOIR/GREENE PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC.

KINSTON, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

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#### **AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL**

The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor The General Assembly of North Carolina Board of Directors, Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc.

This report presents the results of the financial statement audit of Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2007. Tichenor & Associates, LLP performed the audit under contract with the Office of the State Auditor, and their report is submitted herewith.

The audit of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. was made in conjunction with the Early Childhood Initiatives (Smart Start) program authorized by G.S. 143B-168.10-16. This statute created The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. and required the implementation of local partnerships. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. is one of these local partnerships. As such, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. is a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization and is required by G.S. 143B-168.14(b) to have a financial and compliance audit conducted by the State Auditor. The State Auditor's authority to perform or coordinate all audit functions for state government is set forth in Article 5 of Chapter 147 of the *North Carolina General Statutes*.

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

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Kinston, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets – Modified Cash Basis of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. (Lenoir/Greene Partnership) as of June 30, 2007, and the related Statement of Functional Expenditures – Modified Cash Basis for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership'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 misstatements. 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.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. as of June 30, 2007, and its receipts and expenditures for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 15, 2007, on our consideration of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control over financial reporting and 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

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)**

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.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc.'s basic financial statements. The information in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Schedules 1, 3, 4 and 5 have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information in Schedule 2 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on Schedule 2.

# Tichenor & Associates, LLP

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November 15, 2007

### Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Exhibit A

	Unrestricted Funds			Temporarily			
		Smart Start		Other Funds		Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Receipts: State Awards Federal Awards Private Contributions Interest and Investment Earnings	\$	<b>Fund</b> 1,723,161	\$	985,886 41,638 1,778 12,393	\$	0	\$ 2,709,047 41,638 1,778 12,393
Sales Tax Refunds Other Receipts				4,018 9,218			 4,018 9,218
Total Receipts		1,723,161		1,054,931			 2,778,092
Net Assets Released from Restrictions: Satisfaction of Program Restrictions				9,000		(9,000)	
		1,723,161		1,063,931		(9,000)	 2,778,092
Expenditures: Programs:							
Child Care and Education Quality Family Support		419,383 548,081		58,644 10,363			478,027 558,444
Health and Safety More at Four Support:		38,223 436,195		1,086 956,332			39,309 1,392,527
Management and General Program Evaluation Other:		210,607 70,672		33,958			244,565 70,672
Sales Tax Paid				5,809			 5,809
Total Expenditures		1,723,161		1,066,192			 2,789,353
Excess of Receipts Over Expenditures Net Assets at Beginning of Year				(2,261) 63,888		(9,000) 9,000	 (11,261) 72,888
Net Assets at End of Year	\$	0	\$	61,627	\$	0	\$ 61,627
Net Assets Consisted of: Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments	\$	16,885	\$	44,850 17,462	\$	0	\$ 61,735 17,462
		16,885		62,312			79,197
Less: Due to State Funds Held for Others		17,035 (150)		685			17,035 535
	\$	0	\$	61,627	\$	0	\$ 61,627

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

# Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Statement of Functional Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Exhibit B

	Total	Personnel	c	Contracted Services	Supplies and Materials	ı	Other Operating Expenditures	Fixed Charges and Other xpenditures	operty and quipment Outlay	Services/ Contracts/ Grants	Т	rticipant raining enditures
Smart Start Funds:												
Programs:												
Child Care and Education Quality	\$ 419,383	\$ 192,707	\$	949	\$ 10,066	\$	46,453	\$ 10,743	\$ 3,841	\$ 154,624	\$	0
Family Support	548,081	98,877			5,381		32,464	5,897	1,050	404,412		
Health and Safety	38,223	25,046			2,203		8,728	365	1,881			
More at Four	436,195	 89,721			 1,542		22,176	 851	 2,230	 319,675		
	1,441,882	406,351		949	19,192		109,821	17,856	9,002	878,711		
Support:		 						 		 		
Management and General	210,607	167,041		1,505	1,403		30,085	7,487	3,086			
Program Evaluation	70,672	 57,689			 469		10,958	 370	 1,186			
	281,279	 224,730		1,505	 1,872		41,043	 7,857	 4,272	 		
Total Smart Start Fund Expenditures	\$ 1,723,161	\$ 631,081	\$	2,454	\$ 21,064	\$	150,864	\$ 25,713	\$ 13,274	\$ 878,711	\$	0
Other Funds:												
Programs: Child Care and Education Quality Family Support Health and Safety More at Four	\$ 58,644 10,363 1,086 956,332	\$ 26,993 21,593	\$	1,200	\$ 6,904 524 632	\$	14,984 342 258 379	\$ 2,015	\$ 4,396 497 196 498	\$ 955 9,000 933,862	\$	1,197
	1,026,425	 48,586		1,200	 8,060		15,963	 2,015	 5,587	 943,817		1,197
Support:  Management and General  Other:	33,958	23,933		9,025	856		144					
Sales Tax Paid	5,809	 			 5,809			 	 	 		
Total Other Funds Expenditures	\$ 1,066,192	\$ 72,519	\$	10,225	\$ 14,725	\$	16,107	\$ 2,015	\$ 5,587	\$ 943,817	\$	1,197

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

# LENOIR/GREENE PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2007

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- **A.** Organization and Purpose The Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. (Lenoir/Greene Partnership) is a legally separate nonprofit organization incorporated on October 21, 1994. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership was established to develop and provide, through public and private means, early childhood education and developmental services for children and families. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership is tax-exempt as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- **B.** Basis of Presentation The accompanying financial statements present all funds for which the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's Board of Directors is responsible. Pursuant to the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations, the accompanying financial statements present information according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets. As permitted by this Statement, temporarily restricted contributions received and expended in the same year are reported as unrestricted receipts rather than as temporarily restricted receipts.

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. did not have any temporarily or permanently restricted net assets at June 30, 2007.

C. Basis of Accounting - The accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. This basis differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America primarily because it recognizes long lived assets and other costs which benefit more than one period as expended in the year purchased; it recognizes revenue when received rather than when earned; and it recognizes expenditures when paid rather than when incurred.

However, unexpended advances to contractors that revert back to the State of North Carolina are recognized as a reduction to expenditures and an increase to net assets. Amounts withheld from employee paychecks or other amounts received in an agency capacity are recorded as funds held for others. In addition, Smart Start funds advanced to the local Partnership that are unexpended and unearned at year end are recorded as a Due to the State.

- **D.** Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification appears on the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets Modified Cash Basis and includes all demand and savings accounts and certificate of deposits or short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.
- **E. Investments** This classification includes certificates of deposit whose original maturity term exceeds three months. Investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value.
- **F. Due to the State** The funding provided by the State of North Carolina for the Smart Start program is funded on a cost reimbursement basis. The money is earned to the extent of allowable costs incurred. Any unexpended funds as of June 30 are required to be reverted to The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. to be returned to the State of North Carolina.
- **G. Funds Held For Others** Funds held for others includes amounts received that are fiduciary in nature in which the Lenoir/Greene Partnership acts in an agency capacity. For the year ended, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership was holding amounts withheld from employee paychecks for distribution to taxing authorities.
- **H. Property and Equipment** Under the modified cash basis of accounting, purchases of property and equipment are reported as expenditures in the year occurred. However, Lenoir/Greene Partnership is required by contract regulation to track and maintain property and equipment items as presented in Schedule 4 of this report. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership has a policy to track purchases of property and equipment items with an individual cost of \$500 or more and an estimated useful life greater than one year. Such items are valued at their original purchase price, which may be different from their valuation as of June 30, 2007. Donated items are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.
- **I.** Compensated Absences As a result of the use of the modified cash basis of accounting, liabilities related to accrued compensated absences are not recorded in the financial statements. Expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded when paid. The amount of accrued compensated absences for accumulated, unpaid leave that would be due to employees upon termination is reported as a commitment in Note 9.
- **J. Use of Estimates** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting used by the Lenoir/Greene Partnership requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures (such as allocation of joint

costs); accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. It is management's belief that these estimates are reasonable and fair.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

- A. Deposits All funds of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership are deposited with a commercial bank and insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$100,000. Deposits over this amount subject the Lenoir/Greene Partnership to a concentration of credit risk. At June 30, 2007, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's bank deposits in excess of the FDIC insured limit was \$205,860.
- **B.** Investments The Lenoir/Greene Partnership held certificates of deposit with a total value of \$17,462 as of June 30, 2007. Deposits over \$100,000 subject the Lenoir/Greene Partnership to a concentration of investment risk. At June 30, 2007, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's certificates of deposit in excess of the FDIC insured limit was \$17,462.

#### NOTE 3 - FUNDING FROM GRANT AWARDS

**Smart Start Program** - The Lenoir/Greene Partnership's major source of revenue and support is from the State of North Carolina based on cost-reimbursement contracts with The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. (NCPC) for the Smart Start Program. A significant reduction in the level of funding from the State could have an adverse effect on the operations of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership and represents a concentration of credit risk as to the generation of revenue.

Associated with these contracts, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership is responsible for developing a comprehensive, collaborative, long-range plan of services to children and families for the service-delivery area. During the year, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) entered into contracts with and made payments to service providers selected by the Lenoir/Greene Partnership. These service provider contracts are not reflected on the accompanying financial statements. However, a summary of the service provider contracts entered into by DHHS is presented on Schedule 2 accompanying the financial statements.

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership was awarded and has received \$1,740,196 under a current year Smart Start contract with NCPC. The unexpended balance of this contract is subject to reversion to the State. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership has returned \$17,035 of this contract to the State based on financial status reports submitted to NCPC subsequent to June 30, 2007.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership expects to receive continued funding through new Smart Start contracts with the State.

**More at Four** - The Lenoir/Greene Partnership also received revenue and support from the State of North Carolina for the More at Four Program. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership was awarded \$962,168 and received \$961,886 under a current year cost-reimbursement contract.

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership expects to receive continued funding through new More at Four contracts with the State.

#### NOTE 4 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations - The board members of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership are representative of various organizations that benefit from actions taken by the Board. It is the policy of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership that board members not be involved with decisions regarding organizations they represent. During the year, the Lenoir/Greene Partnership entered into contracts with board member organizations for program activities as identified on Schedule 1 accompanying the financial statements. In addition, Schedule 2 identifies contracts entered into by DHHS with board member organizations for activities funded by the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's Smart Start Allocation.

#### NOTE 5 - FUNCTIONAL EXPENDITURES

The costs of providing the various programs and activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis. Also, the Statement of Functional Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis, provides detail of the functional costs by their natural classification. Following are the services associated with the functional categories presented in the accompanying financial statements and the methods utilized to allocate joint cost:

#### A. Program Functions

Child Care and Education Quality - Used to account for service activities associated with quality enhancement grants for upgrades and maintenance, child care resource and referral, and salary supplements.

**Family Support** - Used to account for service activities associated with ongoing parenting education, literacy projects, community outreach, information, and resources.

**Health and Safety** - Used to account for service activities associated with child care health consultants.

**More at Four** - Used to account for development and implementation of More at Four prekindergarten program for at-risk four-year-olds who are at risk of failure in kindergarten. The goal is to provide quality prekindergarten services in order to enhance kindergarten readiness.

#### **B.** Support Functions

**Management and General** - Expenditures that are not identifiable with a single program or fund-raising activity but are indispensable to the conduct of those activities and to an organization's existence, including expenditures for the overall direction of the organization, its general board activities, business management, general recordkeeping, budgeting, and related purposes.

**Program Evaluation** - Expenditures that are incurred to monitor the performance of service providers as to the delivery of services and adherence to the specific terms and conditions of the contracts.

#### C. Allocation of Joint Costs

Expenditures benefiting more than one purpose were allocated as follows:

**Salaries and Benefits** - Direct allocation based on employee time reports.

**Other Costs** - Other costs including occupancy cost (rent, utilities and maintenance), supplies and materials, and communication costs (telephone and printing) were allocated based on utilization data.

#### NOTE 6 - OPERATING LEASES

**Operating Lease Obligations** - Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases consist of the following at June 30, 2007:

Fiscal Year	Operating Leases						
2008 2009 2010	\$	2,372 1,873 226					
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$	4,471					

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$3,617.

#### NOTE 7 - PENSION PLAN

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership has a Simplified Employee Pension plan (SEP Plan) covering all full-time employees. Each full-time employee of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership, as a condition of employment, is provided an Individual Retirement Account through an outside insurance company. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership contributed 6% of gross wages for the year ended June 30, 2007. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership does not own the accounts nor is liable for any other cost other than the required contribution. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership contributed \$35,283 for pension benefits during the year.

#### NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Lenoir/Greene Partnership is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; employees' health and life; and natural disasters. The Lenoir/Greene Partnership manages these various risks of loss as follows:

Type of Loss	Method Managed	Risk of Loss Retained
Torts, errors and omissions, health and life	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Workers Compensation - Employee injuries	Purchased commercial insurance	None
Physical property loss and natural disasters	Purchased commercial insurance	None

Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant losses to the Lenoir/Greene Partnership. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### NOTE 9 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Compensated Absences - As a result of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's use of the modified cash basis of accounting, accrued liabilities related to compensated absences (vacation only; sick leave does not vest) and any employer-related costs earned and unpaid, are not reflected in the financial statements. The compensated absences commitment for vacation leave at June 30, 2007, is \$23,545. No funds or reservation of net assets has been made for this commitment.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

#### NOTE 10 - RESTRICTIONS ON NET ASSETS

**Net Assets Released From Donor Restrictions** - Net assets were released from donor restrictions during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, by incurring expenditures satisfying the restricted purposes as follows:

Purpose	Amount
Family Literacy Programs	\$ 9.000
Family Literacy Programs	\$

# Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of Contract and Grant Expenditures - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 1

Smart Sta			Start Fund	H	Other Funds				
		Amount				Amount	Refund		
Organization Name	<u>A</u>	dvanced	Di	ue		dvanced		Due	
Aaron's Playground	\$	39,074	\$	0	\$	77,312	\$	0	
Amazing Giants	¥	9,798	Ψ	Ū	Ψ	17,012	Ψ	Ü	
Deep Run Child Care		78,851				142,427			
Fairway Advertising		. 0,00 .				5,250			
Farmer N Dell Nursery, Inc.	*	70,478				106,302			
Greene County Department of Social Services	*	7,500				,			
Greene County Public Schools	*	138,452				239,380			
Greene Lamp, Inc.	*	17,570				114,023			
Jacob's Little Giants		9,122				753			
Johnson's Child Care		12,514							
Kaplan		7,104							
Lenoir County Cooperative Extension		134,628							
Lenoir County Department of Social Services		3,522							
Lenoir County Public Schools		234,012				256,682			
Morgan Printers						328			
Office Depot						456			
PIP Printing						200			
Signs Now						465			
The Play Palace Child Care		13,986				201			
Wal-Mart						38			
		776,611				943,817			
Individuals:									
Scholarships/Bonus Awards		102,100							
	\$	878,711	\$	0	\$	943,817	\$	0	

<sup>\*</sup> These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

# Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of State Level Service Provider Contracts For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 2

Organization Name		 DHHS Contracts
Greene County Department of Social Servies - Administration	*	\$ 30,000
Greene County Department of Social Servies - Subsidy	*	120,553
Lenoir County Department of Social Services - Administration		54,550
Lenoir County Department of Social Services - Subsidy		 371,351
		\$ 576,454

<sup>\*</sup> These organizations are represented on the Partnership's Board as described in Note 4 - Service Provider Contracts with Board Member Organizations.

The information on this schedule provides a listing of service provider contracts entered into by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) as described in Note 3 - Funding from Grant Awards.

# Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of Federal and State Awards - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 3

Federal/State Grantor/Pass-through Grantor/Program	Federal CFDA Number	Contract #	Receipts	Expenditures
Federal Awards: US Department of Health and Human Services Pass-through from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child Development Reginal Division of Child Development Grant Child Care Resource and Referral	93.575	CCSA-07-L/G	\$ 41,638	\$ 41,638
Total Federal Awards			41,638	41,638
State Awards: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Child Development Pass-through from the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. Early Childhood Initiatives Program Multi-County Accounting and Contracting Grant	*	N/A N/A	1,723,161 24,000	1,723,161 24,000
North Carolina Department of Public Instruction Office of School Readiness More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program (Prior Year) More at Four Pre-Kindergarten Program (Current Year)	*	N/A 0047-07	961,886	22,385 942,726
Total State Awards			2,709,047	2,712,272
Total Federal and State Awards			\$ 2,750,685	\$ 2,753,910

<sup>\*</sup> Programs with compliance requirements that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements.

# Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Schedule of Property and Equipment - Modified Cash Basis For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Schedule 4

Furniture and Noncomputer Equipment Computer Equipment/Printers Buildings	\$ 157,395 69,654 319,069
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 546,118

Note: The information on this schedule provides a summary of property and equipment with acquisition or donated cost of \$500 or more which were held by the Partnership at year end. The valuations represent historical cost. On the modified basis of accounting, these items are expensed in the year of purchase.

Match Provided at the Partnership Level:		
Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$	9,352 2,761
III-Killu Goods and Services	\$	12,113
Match Provided at the Contractor Level:		
Cash In-Kind Goods and Services	\$	107,785 220,867
	<del></del>	328.652

Note: This schedule is presented in accordance with the program match requirement as provided for by North Carolina Session Law 2005-276, Section 10.64(c). The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. and all local partnerships are required to match the total amount budgeted for the Smart Start Program in each fiscal year. The match is comprised of both cash and in-kind amounts. Only in-kind contributions that are verifiable, quantifiable, and related to the Smart Start Program can be applied to the in-kind match requirement, including volunteer services. The law allows for volunteer services to be valued for match purposes, a concept that deviates from generally accepted accounting principles. This schedule identifies those amounts allowable for this partnership in meeting the statewide match requirement.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. Kinston, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership for Children, Inc. (Lenoir/Greene Partnership) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated November 15, 2007. 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.

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (CONCLUDED)

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Lenoir/Greene Partnership's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Lenoir/Greene Partnership'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 Lenoir/Greene Partnership's Board of Directors, management of the Lenoir/Greene Partnership, The North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., the Governor, and the General Assembly of North Carolina and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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