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### LOUISIANA GENE THERAPY RESEARCH CONSORTIUM, INC.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

June 30, 2004

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. (a non-profit corporation) as of June 30, 2004, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The prior year summarized information has been derived from the Consortium's 2003 financial statements and, in our report dated November 21, 2003, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. as of June 30, 2004, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 21, 2004, on our consideration of Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. taken as a whole. The accompanying combined statement of activities and the statement of expenses are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Metairie, Louisiana December 27, 2004

### ${\bf LOUISIANA~GENE~THERAPY~RESEARCH~CONSORTIUM, INC.}$

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2004

	MEMORANDUM ONLY				
CURRENT ASSETS Cash (Note A4) Receivables (Notes A5 and B) Prepaid expenses	\$ 841,126 831,388 	June 30, 2003  \$ 836,395 505,892 3,884			
Total current assets	1,680,321	1,346,171			
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT - At cost ( Lab scientific equipment Office furniture and equipment	10,119,695 	7,672,728 40,505			
Less accumulated depreciation	10,197,309 2,930,999	7,713,233 <u>1,649,795</u>			
Construction in progress (Note D)	7,266,310 1,901,553 9,167,863	$\frac{6,06\overline{3,438}}{868,131}$ $\overline{6,931,569}$			
OTHER ASSETS Deposits	3,394	3,394			
Total assets	\$ <u>10,851,578</u>	\$ <u>8,281,134</u>			
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable Current maturities of capital lease	\$ 604,409 879	\$ 1,002,405 2,667			
Total current liabilities	605,288	1,005,072			
LONG - TERM LIABILITIES Capital lease payable, less current maturities	s (Note E)198	1,820			
Total liabilities	605,486	1,006,892			
COMMITMENT (Note F)	-	-			
NET ASSETS (Notes A2 and A3)					
Temporarily restricted	10,246,092	7,274,242			
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>10,851,578</u>	\$ <u>8,281,134</u>			

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

### Year Ended June 30, 2004

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	Temporarily Restricted		OTAL NDUM ONLY 2003
REVENUE				<del></del>
Grants (Note C)	\$ -	\$ 7,064,536	\$ 7,064,536	\$ 6,490,249
Interest income		8,016	8,016	12,346
Other income	204	,	204	2,834
Net assets released				ŕ
from restrictions	<u>4,100,702</u>	$(\underline{4,100,702})$		<u> </u>
Total Revenue	4,100,906	<u>2,971,850</u>	<u>7,072,756</u>	6,505,429
EXPENSES				
Salaries	370,404		370,404	252,495
Benefits & payroll taxes	105,254	-	105,254	45,364
Contract employment	47,284	-	47,284	57,185
Professional services	158,119	-	158,119	160,546
Facility expense	25,523	-	25,523	34,575
Equipment expense	2,089	-	2,089	3,421
Office expense	30,897	-	30,897	20,772
Marketing and PR expense	20,758	-	20,758	28,579
Travel	39,703	-	39,703	10,569
Business expense (Note J)	20,563	-	20,563	13,706
Program expense	16,789	-	16,789	<b>-</b>
Research expense	1,982,319	-	1,982,319	2,229,991
Depreciation .	1,281,204	-	1,281,204	919,774
Disposal of equipment	<u>-</u>	-	•	1,879
Total Expenses	4,100,906		4,100,906	3,778,856
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	-	2,971,850	2,971,850	2,726,573
Net assets, beginning of year		7,274,242	7,274,242	4,547,669
Net assets, end of year	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u>10,246,092</u>	\$ <u>10,246,092</u>	\$ <u>7,27</u> 4,242

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### Year Ended June 30, 2004

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Grant revenue Interest income Other income	\$6,739,040 $8,016$ $204$ $6,747,260$	
Payments to employees, suppliers and for research expense	(3,221,621)	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		\$ 3,525,639
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Acquisition of property and equipment	(3,518,241)	
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities		(3,518,241)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Payments on long-term lease	(2,667)	
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities		(2,667)
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		4,731
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year		<u>836,395</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year		\$ <u>841,126</u>
RECONCILIATION OF INCREASE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in net assets		\$ 2,971,850
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation (Increase) in operating assets:	\$ 1,281,204	
Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses	( 325,496) ( 3,923)	
(Decrease) in operating liabilities: Accounts payable	( <u>397,996</u> )	
Total adjustments		553,789
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING		
ACTIVITIES		\$ <u>3,525,639</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2004

### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the Corporation's significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

### 1. Nature of Activities

Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. was incorporated April 7, 1999, and began operations in the Fall of 2000. The Corporation is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The mission of the Louisiana Genetics Research Consortium is to enable economic development throughout Louisiana based on human, agricultural, and veterinary genetics and genetherapy by strengthening basic research capacity, engaging citizens in lifelong learning activities, and expanding opportunities for stable, sustainable business growth.

The Consortium supports, leverages, and expands gene therapy research through the State of Louisiana by creating a critical mass of scientists, laboratories, and equipment as health science centers, both public and private.

In carrying out its mission, the Consortium has the following five objectives:

- Enhance and expand gene therapy research throughout Louisiana.
- Facilitate economic growth through commercialization of gene therapy innovations emerging from research institutions and through collaborations with industry.
- Provide career development, job training, and life-long learning opportunities in gene therapy, genetics, and life sciences.
- Disseminate information about the ethical, legal, and social implications of gene therapy research and development.
- Increase national and international visibility for the state, its academic institutions, and its economic development efforts.

### 2. Financial Statement Presentation

The Corporation's financial statements are presented in accordance with the requirements established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) as set forth in the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 117, "Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations." Accordingly, the net assets of the Corporation are reported in each of the following classes: (a) unrestricted net assets, (b) temporarily restricted net assets, and (c) permanently restricted net assets. There were no permanently restricted net assets during the year ended June 30, 2004.

### 3. Revenue Recognition

For financial reporting, the Corporation recognizes all contributed support as income in the period received. Contributed support is reported as unrestricted or restricted depending on the existence of donor stipulations that limit the use of the support. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets are classified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activity as "net assets released from restrictions."

Grant revenue is recognized as it is earned in accordance with approved contracts.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

June 30, 2004

### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

### 4. Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2004, the carrying amount of the Corporation's deposits was \$841,126, and the bank balances amounted to \$1,923,913. The Corporation's agent pledges and holds securities in an amount sufficient to protect the Corporation's funds on a day to day basis.

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Corporation considers all investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Generally accepted accounting principles require disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate fair value, whether or not recognized in the statement of financial position. Cash and cash equivalents carrying amounts reported in the statement of financial position approximate fair values because of the short maturities of those instruments.

### 5. Receivables

The corporation considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible since the balance consists of payments due under governmental grants. If amounts due become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

### 6. Property and Equipment

Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. owns the property and equipment, and follows the practice of capitalizing, at cost, all expenditures for property and equipment in excess of \$1,000. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the useful lives of the assets, generally as follows:

Lab scientific equipment	7 years
Office and computer equipment	3 years
Furniture	7 years

Property and equipment acquired with grant funding during the year ended June 30, 2004 amounted to \$3,512,923. Depreciation amounted to \$1,281,204.

### 7. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

### 8. Total Columns of Combined Statements - Overview

Total columns are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to assist with financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

June 30, 2004

### **NOTE B - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables consist of the following:	2004	2003
Grants Louisiana Department of Economic Development GMP Facility Wirth Building Renovation	\$ 523,423 94,984	\$ 49,517 67,897
Louisiana Department of Facility Planning and Control (Capital grant) Louisiana Cancer Research Center Other	212,964 \$\frac{17}{831,388}	$ \begin{array}{r} 285,686 \\ 102,172 \\ \underline{620} \\ 505,892 \end{array} $
NOTE C - GRANT REVENUE	2004	2002
Grant revenue consists of the following:	2004	
Louisiana Board of Regents (Operating grant)	\$ 3,065,299	\$ 2,480,000
Louisiana Department of Facility Planning and Control (Capital grant)	2,445,095	3,142,118
Louisiana Department of Economic Development GMP Facility Operating Winth Building Penavotions	320,086 523,423	339,112
Wirth Building Renovations Construction	710,633	<u>529,019</u>
	\$ <u>7,064,536</u>	\$ <u>6,490,249</u>

### **NOTE D - CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS**

Louisianan Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. (LGTRC) has entered into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, Office of Business Development to fund, and with New Orleans BioInnovation Center, Inc. to provide oversight and management of interior demolition and site development of the Wirth Building, 1441 Canal Street, New Orleans.

Construction in Progress consisted of the following:	2004	2003	Total
GMP Facility Wirth Building Renovations	\$ 320,086	\$ 339,112	\$ 659,198 1,242,355 \$ 1,901,553

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

June 30, 2004

### **NOTE F - COMMITMENT**

The Corporation leases its administrative office under an operating lease expiring June 30, 2006, with an option to renew for six months. The following is a schedule by years of minimum rental payments:

Year ending June 30, 2005	\$ 73,508
Year ending June 30, 2006	\$ 73,508

Louisiana Cancer Research Center of LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans/Tulane Health Sciences Center (Louisiana Cancer Research Center) share the administrative office. Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium's share of the lease rental of the \$43,615 for the year ended June 30, 2004 amounted to \$24,555.

### **NOTE G - RETIREMENT PLANS**

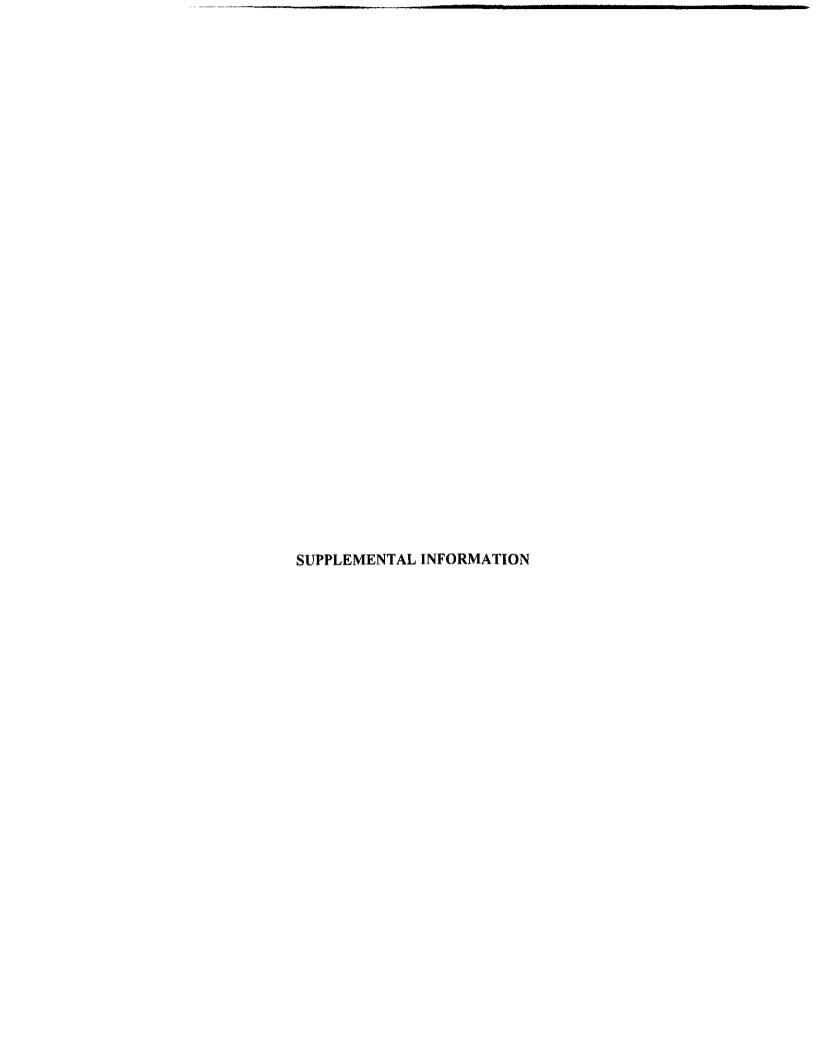
As of June 30, 2004, the Corporation maintained two contributory retirement plans for its eligible employees. The plans offer employees the choice of two investment company options, Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association (TIAA) and College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF). Participating employee and Corporate contributions are immediately vested. The Corporation contributed \$26,476 to the two plans for the year ended June 30, 2004.

### NOTE H - BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board. Accordingly, no compensation was paid to any board member during the year ended June 30, 2004.

### NOTE I - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Corporation received all of its revenue from funds provided through grants administered by the State of Louisiana during the year ended June 30, 2004. The grant amounts are appropriated periodically by the State of Louisiana. If significant budget cuts are made at the State level, the amount of the funds the organization receives could be reduced significantly and have an adverse impact on its operations. At the time of completion of the examination of the Corporation's financial statements, management was not aware of any actions taken that would adversely affect the amount of funds the organization will receive in the next fiscal year.



## COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

### Year Ended June 30, 2004

Total \$ 7,064,536 8,016 204 7,072,756	370,404 105,254 47,284 158,119 25,523 20,897 30,897 20,758 39,703 16,789 1,982,319 1,982,319	4,100,906	2,971,850	1 1	•	7,274,242	\$ 10,246,092
Property and Equipment	1,281,204	1,281,204	(1,281,204)	3,475,814 37,109	ı	6,931,569	\$ 9,163,288
Wirth Building Renovations \$ 710,633		710,633	710,633	(710,633)	ı	•	- - - -
GMP Facility \$ 843,509	250,277 74,720 - 76,347 20,543 867 18,058 19,173 26,962 8,572	495,519	347,990	(320,086) (35,154)	7,250		\$
Capital Outlay Grant \$ 2,445,095		1	2,445,095	(2,445,095)	ı	1	<b>-</b>
Operating Grant \$ 3,065,299 8,016 204 3,073,519	120,127 30,534 47,284 81,772 4,980 1,222 12,839 1,585 12,741 11,991 16,789 1,982,319	2,324,183	( 749,336)	() (1,955)	( 7,250)	342,673	\$ 1,082,804
REVENUE Grants Interest income Other income Total Revenue	Salaries Salaries Benefits and payroll taxes Contract employment Professional services Facility expense Equipment expense Office expense Marketing Travel Business expense Program expense Research expense Research expense	Total expenses	Increase (decrease) in net assets	Property and equipment capitalized Construction in progress Office equipment	Transfers to/from operating grant	Net assets, beginning of year	Net assets, end of year

### STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

### June 30, 2004

Salaries	\$ <u>370,404</u>	\$ <u>252,495</u>
Benefits and payroll taxes Health insurance Life and disability expenses Retirement benefits Payroll taxes Parking Dental insurance Workers comp insurance Payroll processing	27,282 1,183 26,476 25,671 3,692 991 2,306 530 17,123 105,254	9,932 375 19,163 12,358 1,195 203 859 1,279 524 45,888
Contract Services Intern Stipends Other	11,040 <u>36,244</u> <u>47,284</u>	16,120 - 41,065 - 57,185
Professional Services Legal Accounting Procurement Recruitment Consultants	13,036 17,873 36,000 42,332 48,878 158,119	37,579 13,204 36,000 360 73,403 160,546
Facility expense Lease and utilities Maintenance Insurance, property	24,555 576 392 25,523	33,594 411 570 34,575
Equipment expense Lease Maintenance and repairs Small item purchases Storage/Delivery Interest expense Other	270 1,512 168 63 76 	540 2,791 294 101 695 879 5,300
Office expense Office and computer supplies Telephone and fax Internet Postage/Shipping Printing Administrative fees Other	12,632 6,618 1,169 1,307 6,770 1,410 991 30,897	5,082 3,953 3,615 725 6,462 699 236 20,772

### **STATEMENT OF EXPENSES - Continued**

### June 30, 2004

Marketing and PR expense Materials Trade shows Other	$ \begin{array}{r} 6,055 \\ 14,618 \\ \underline{85} \\ 20,758 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 16,312 \\ 12,037 \\ \phantom{00000000000000000000000000000000000$
Travel Mileage and parking General travel Travel meals	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,853 \\ 34,660 \\ \phantom{00000000000000000000000000000000000$	$ \begin{array}{r} 896 \\ 8,501 \\ \phantom{00000000000000000000000000000000000$
Business expenses General meetings/meals Board meetings Conferences and workshops Staff recruiting Membership dues Subscriptions/Publications Insurance, business	6,247 1,217 3,116 1,081 888 4,641 3,373 20,563	2,519 808 3,154 1,010 3,306 468 2,441 13,706
Program expense Education	16,789	
Research expense Personnel Supplies Other research expenses	975,600 619,419 <u>387,300</u> 1,982,319	1,242,905 583,838 403,248 2,229,991
Depreciation expense	1,281,204	<u>919,774</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ <u>4,100,906</u>	\$ <u>3,778,856</u>



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

To the Board of Directors Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc.

We have audited the financial statements of Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc. (a non-profit corporation) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated December 27, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

### Compliance

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

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, 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. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Cascio, Davis & Selmidl, LLP.

Metairie, Louisiana December 27, 2004

### LOUISIANA GENE THERAPY RESEARCH CONSORTIUM, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year ended June 30, 2004

### **AUDIT FINDINGS**

There were no prior year or current year audit findings.

### **QUESTIONED COSTS**

There were no questioned costs.

### **MANAGEMENT LETTER**

A management letter was not issued for the year ended June 30, 2004.