

West Virginia State University
Research and Development
Corporation

Financial Statements as of and for the Years Ended
June 30, 2015 and 2014, and Independent Auditors'
Report and Reports Required by OMB Circular A-133
for the Year Ended June 30, 2015

WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
West Virginia State University
Research and Development Corporation:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation (the "Corporation"), which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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 from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the changes in its net position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 - 9 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 30, 2015 on our consideration of the Corporation'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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Huntington, West Virginia
November 30, 2015

West Virginia State University
Research and Development Corporation
Management's Discussion and Analysis
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

I. Introduction

A. *Historical Background*

West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation (WVSURDC or the Corporation) was incorporated in 1991, under the W.Va. Code Chapter 18B. The Corporation serves as the West Virginia State University's (WVSU or the University) primary fiscal management agent of its externally sponsored funding including grants, contracts, and gifts derived from federal, state, municipal, corporate, foundation, and private individuals. The Corporation operates as a nonprofit entity exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The WVSURDC formally provides management and oversight of external support for WVSU via their affiliations and operating agreements with the University's Board of Governors and the University's Chief Executive Officer, respectively. The Corporation and its functions, in turn, reside within the Research and Public Service Unit of the University.

West Virginia State University is an 1890 Land-Grant and Historically Black institution of higher education founded in 1891. The University's central mission is to become the most student-centered, research and teaching, land-grant University in the State of West Virginia and beyond, by meeting the higher education and economic development needs of the state and region through innovative teaching and applied research. The re-attainment of its Land-Grant status, combined with the implementation of graduate programs, has significantly augmented activities related to research, teaching, and public service over the last decade. This successful expansion of the University's research and outreach programming has been only possible through the attainment of supplementary external resources. Therefore, the University's faculty, along with research and outreach staff, and administrators, are continually seeking opportunities for enhancing research, teaching, and public service through external sponsored support. In fact, activities which result in the attainment of external funding in support of the institution's mission are gradually and increasingly recognized by the University as scholarly merited. This collective and dynamic effort, infused with innovative ideas and approaches, has resulted in the University's capability to sustain the level of these resources constant within the last five years in spite of economic challenges being reflected in the local, national, and global landscape.

The overall availability of externally sponsored support has become increasingly more competitive as funding from derived sources contract or are prevalent. Innovative ideas and new approaches have become the new standard in order for organizations to sustain or grow their revenues. This year, the Corporation's revenues slightly contracted from the previous year. However, an increase in capital grants and gifts received were able to offset this reduction. WVSURDC is committed, through its strategic planning (Vision 2020), to continue exploring innovative ways to increase its overall funding by the year 2020.

B. *Overview of the Financial Statements and the Financial Analysis*

The present document provides an overview of the Corporation's financial statements to its stakeholders for the year ended June 30, 2015. Based on these financial statements, the Corporation's management also presents discussion and analysis which highlights the successes and challenges experienced throughout the reporting year. This management's discussion and analysis is required as supplemental information prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB No. 34 & 35 directives). This financial information is structured into an activity-based reporting format and offers an overview of the Corporation's fiscal activities focusing on the year ended. The analysis is based on the position of three main financial statements: (1) Net

Position; (2) Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and (3) Cash Flows. Additional information relevant to fiscal years 2014 and 2013 is also included in this analysis to facilitate the reader a comparative framework between immediate past and present financial positions of the Corporation.

II. Statement of Net Position

The “Statement of Net Position” reflects the Corporation’s assets, liabilities, and its net position at the end of the fiscal year. This statement provides stakeholders with fiscal information of the Corporation at a point in time (June 30, 2015). It also offers readers an overview of the net position and the assets (and liabilities) which are available to the Corporation for future investments and to continue operating.

The statements’ net position is divided into three main categories: (1) net investment in capital assets; (2) restricted net position; and (3) unrestricted net position. The first asset category provides information on the Corporation’s interest in property, plant, and equipment owned by the institution. The second category is further divided into non-expendable and expendable components of restricted net position. Non-expendable assets of restricted net position are only available for investment purposes; usually the Corporation does not operate restricted net position assets. Expendable components of restricted net position are to be expended by the institution for the purpose in which grantors and donors have intended, such as time and purpose restrictions. Finally, unrestricted components of net position are not restricted as to use, but only available to the institution for allowable expenditures.

Net Position			
	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013
Assets			
Current assets	\$1,021,455	\$1,040,820	\$675,222
Cash and cash equivalents	162,476	307,060	433,555
Non-current assets:			
Capital assets, net	<u>1,840,030</u>	<u>1,386,079</u>	<u>1,481,666</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$3,023,961</u>	<u>\$2,733,959</u>	<u>\$2,590,443</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	570,321	569,399	454,822
Non-current liabilities	<u>3,023,977</u>	<u>2,881,598</u>	<u>2,775,750</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>3,594,318</u>	<u>3,450,997</u>	<u>3,230,572</u>
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	1,840,030	1,386,079	1,481,666
Restricted – expendable			
Unrestricted	<u>(2,410,387)</u>	<u>(2,103,117)</u>	<u>(2,121,795)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>(570,357)</u>	<u>(717,038)</u>	<u>(640,129)</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$3,023,961</u>	<u>\$2,733,959</u>	<u>\$2,590,443</u>

Assets: In fiscal year 2015, the Corporation’s total assets increased by \$290,002 which represents an 11 percent expansion in comparison to the previous year. There was a 6 percent increase in total assets the previous year as well. The overall increase in total assets this year derived solely from a significant increase in the portion of the non-current assets associated with capital assets, net. In fact, non-current assets expanded by \$453,951, or a 33

percent increase from the previous year. The overall value of current assets slightly decreased this year by \$19,365 or a 2 percent reduction. The portion of the current assets related to cash and cash equivalents contracted by \$144,584, compared to the previous year. Current assets this year represented 39 percent of the total assets (compared to a 49 percent the previous year); whereas the non-current portion represented 61 percent. This result suggests that the Corporation operated with less liquidity this year, compared to the previous one. The value of the Corporation's cash and cash equivalents depends on the level of grant activity and the time at which this report is prepared, and thus is affected by receivables and payables in transit, as well as by outstanding items, such as checks.

Liabilities: The balance of total liabilities during the current fiscal year increased by 4 percent (\$143,321), compared to the previous year's total liabilities change of seven percent (\$220,425). The overall increase effect resulted from a slight expansion of the non-current liabilities portion, which increased by 5 percent (\$142,399). There was a negligible change as it relates to the change in the current liabilities portion (\$922). The increase in non-current liabilities this year was a result of a small spike in liabilities related to the portion of compensated absences (\$45,424), and the corresponding annual increase in Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (\$96,975). There was almost no change in the overall portion of current liabilities derived from accounts payable, due to other, and the current portion of the compensated absences. A small increase in compensated absences (from \$216,952 to \$230,071) was offset by a small decrease in accounts payable (from \$351,149 to \$338,952). Accounts payable (and receivable) are variable throughout the year and vary from year to year depending upon the Corporation's level of activity. In relation to the total liabilities' value, current and non-current liabilities this year contributed again with 16 percent and 84 percent respectively this year, which has been a similar ratio compared to the previous three years. The current sustained ratio suggests that the Corporation operates with less current liabilities and that most of its liabilities derive from components comprising non-current liabilities.

Net Position: The value of total net position this year improved by \$146,681 or 20 percent increase, compared to a 12 percent reduction the previous year. The current value of total net assets changed from -\$717,038 to -\$570,357. This position's improvement was derived mainly by a greater investment in capital assets, net of debt, which grew by \$453,951 (33 percent) compared to the previous year (changed from \$1,386,079 to \$1,840,030). The unrestricted net assets had a deficit of -\$307,270 (changed from -\$2,103,117 to -\$2,410,387) in relation to the value of net investments in capital assets. The resulting deficit in unrestricted net position was again largely attributed to the booking of OPEB related to this year's corresponding accrued liability entry. However, the overall net position was improved by an increase in net investment in capital assets. The total depreciation expense (-\$443,561) this year, combined with equipment reductions or disposals (-\$154,930), was offset by a significant additions in capital assets (\$956,836), resulted in an increase of capital assets, net (\$453,951), which went from \$1,386,079 to \$1,840,030. Net investment in capital assets comprised the purchase of fixed assets that are required to fulfill the goals and objectives obligated within the Corporation's grants and contracts agreements. The value of net investments in capital assets (\$1,840,030) minus expenditures for unrestricted assets (-\$2,410,387) resulted in a total net position this year of -\$570,357, compared to -\$717,038 the previous year. Unrestricted components of net position this year continued being negative due to the inclusion of the OPEB liability accumulated up to date allocated to the portion of unrestricted net assets as per GASB mandate (since 2011). Other unrestricted components of net position are utilized by the Corporation to support expenses related to reimbursable grants in excess of the grant and to reimburse the institution for facilities and administrative costs incurred in performing research or associated educational activities. These additional unrestricted net assets derived from external support and the recovery of indirect costs from grants and sponsored agreements.

III. Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The statement of "Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position" reveals the financial activities that contributed to changes in the total net position. The statement offers information related to operating and non-operating revenues earned, and all of the expenses, gains and losses incurred by the Corporation during the reporting fiscal year. Both the revenues earned and the expenses incurred by the Corporation are disclosed as operating and non-operating revenues to distinguish as to their purpose and associated distribution. All other revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are also part of this statement to identify other less common sources of revenue and expenses not being directly associated with the Corporation's chief activities.

Operating revenues for the Corporation are usually attained from grants, contracts, private gifts and other externally sponsored agreements in exchange for goods and services as agreed with the respective funding agencies, grantors, or constituents providing these resources. Operating expenses are those expenses incurred with the acquisition or delivery of promised goods and services provided in return for revenues and to carry out the mission of the Corporation. Non-operating revenues are those revenues not directly linked to providing specific goods and/or services.

Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013
Operating revenues	\$11,449,788	\$12,157,773	\$11,749,567
Operating expenses	<u>12,200,660</u>	<u>12,535,084</u>	<u>12,319,483</u>
Operating Gains/Losses	(750,872)	(377,311)	(569,916)
Non-operating revenues and expenses:	10,717	(33,651)	64
Capital Grants & Gifts	<u>886,836</u>	<u>334,053</u>	<u>424,825</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	146,681	(76,909)	(145,027)
Net Position – Beginning of Year	<u>(717,038)</u>	<u>(640,129)</u>	<u>(495,102)</u>
Net Position – End Year	<u>(\$570,357)</u>	<u>(\$717,038)</u>	<u>(\$640,129)</u>

The sources of operating revenues for the Corporation commonly derive from federal, state, and private externally sponsored funding. Operating revenues this year were six percent lower, compared to the previous year (-\$707,985). This decrease in operating revenues stem from a reduction in federal (-\$407,733) and private (-\$674,417) funding. State funding, compared to last year, increased by 18 percent (\$374,165) which partially offset some of the overall reduction in the operating revenues. There was an 18 percent increase (\$374,165) in state revenues, holding a positive trend in the past three years. The downward trend in federal funding is indicative of an overall decrease level of funding at the federal government, including the impact sequestration actions taken place during the last year, which had a negative impact on the level of revenues. In spite of budget cuts by the State government (which are forecasted to continue in the coming few years), funding derived from this source had a modest increase this year (18 percent). The University and Corporation continue strategizing ways to compensate for the loss of state and federal funding in the following fiscal years. Each year, the revenue composition of the Corporation changes depending upon the availability of funds from each revenue source, and the overall level of combined efforts made by faculty, staff, and administrators. The aforementioned modest overall contraction growth in operating revenues, experienced by the Corporation this year, has already resulted in increased efforts to seek external funding.

The Corporation's total operating expenses this year decreased by three percent, which was an opposite trend, compared to the two percent growth occurred the previous year. Operating expenses decreased from \$12,535,084 to \$12,200,660. The resulting overall decrease (-\$334,424) in the Corporation's total operating expenses was driven by a reduction in expenses (-\$611,292) related to payments to suppliers (-12 percent). All other expense categories, including employee salaries, benefits, utilities and depreciation had a modest increase. Salary payments increased by \$82,265 (one percent); benefits increased by \$134,158 (11 percent); utilities increased by \$12,821 (25 percent); and depreciation increased by \$47,624 (12 percent). Because operating expenses are closely associated with the level of operating revenues; the more (or less) revenues the Corporation manages, the higher (or lower) the level of expenditures it incurs.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets reflect an operating loss for the year of \$750,872, compared to a loss of \$377,311 and \$569,916 the previous two consecutive years. There were, on the other hand, significant gains in non-operating revenues, as well as capital grants and gifts of \$10,717 and \$886,836, respectively. In fact, capital grants and gifts increased this year by 165 percent as it relates to the previous year's level. This combined overall gain in non-operating revenues and capital grants and gifts offset the overall operating loss, resulting in a \$146,681 overall increase in Net Assets. Operating losses this year were contributed again by the booking of accumulated depreciation, and the inclusion of the OPEB as a component of liability. The activity-based financial reporting format, to which the Corporation is subject through GASB 34, must account for the value of depreciation of its capital assets; and as per GASB 45, the value of OPEB liability. Capital assets (e.g. research and other educational equipment) acquired through grants and contracts are recorded as capital assets and capitalized by the Corporation or the University's fiscal entities (depending on the type of asset acquired). The cost of the assets' depreciation is not recoverable due to the fact that it cannot be charged back to federal or state grants and/or contracts in subsequent years. In other words, these assets are not normally replenished at the end of their useful life. Thus, accumulated depreciation is a factor which affects the value of net assets reported within a given year. Another factor affecting the status of the Corporation's operating activity (gains or losses) is the reimbursable nature of its revenues. Revenues are recovered based on the expenditures terms of the agreement, and thus a transient deficit status results while the revenue is reimbursed to the Corporation.

Non-operating revenues and expenses are minimal compared to the value of their operating counterparts, as the Corporation does not purposely engage in promoting this activity as part of its financial operations. This year's operating loss (-\$750,872) combined with the gain on disposal of capital assets (\$10,676), contributed to an increase of (\$146,681) in the Corporation's net position, also aided by a gain in capital grants and gifts contributions (\$886,836) received by the institution. Thus, the overall net position in net assets at the end of the year slightly improved from -\$717,038 to -\$570,357.

IV. Cash Flows

The "Statement of Cash Flows" is the third and last component of the financial statements presented by the Corporation. This particular statement offers detail information regarding the Corporation's cash position during the year's end. The statement of cash flows is comprised of five elements: (1) Operating cash flows, which reflect the net cash used by the Corporation in carrying out its operating activities; (2) The cash flow activities from non-capital financial activities, which reveal the cash received and spent for non-operating, non-investing, and non-capital financial purposes; (3) The cash flows from investing activities, which indicates the level of purchases, proceeds, and interest received from investing activities; (4) The cash flows from capital and related financing activities, invested in the acquisition of fixed or capital assets as per agreements with funding agencies; and (5) The reconciliation of net cash used to the operating income (or losses) reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

Cash Flows

	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013
Cash provided (used) by:			
Operating activities	(\$144,625)	(\$126,547)	(\$57,303)
Investing activities	41	52	64
Capital and related financing activities	0	0	0
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(144,584)	(126,495)	(57,239)
Cash, beginning of year	307,060	433,555	490,794
Cash, end of year	\$162,476	\$307,060	\$433,555

The Corporation's cash and cash equivalents value as of July 1, 2014 was \$307,060 compared to the \$433,555 from the previous year. The cash and cash equivalents value of as of June 30, 2015 was \$162,476. This year's slightly lower value compared to last year can be attributed to a larger investment as it relates to purchase of capital assets. The purchase of capital assets this year was \$886,836 compared to \$334,053 the previous year. Cash flow provided by financing activities is normally inconspicuous and represented only \$41, derived from interest income. Interest income derived from federal and state accounts is always minimized as the Corporation does not purposely engage in investing activities of any funding derived from externally sponsored support. The combined carrying amount of cash in bank at June 30, 2015 and 2014 was \$162,476 and \$307,060, respectively. The difference, from year to year, is normally caused by outstanding checks and items in transit during the span of the fiscal year. The Corporation carries a certain level of cash in the banks in order to effectively conduct its operating activities. In relation to the operating expenses, the level of cash required this year was only one percent, which is slightly lower compared to the average level of cash required within the last 10 years (two percent).

The total value of cash and cash equivalents this year, in relation to the total value of operating revenues and operating expenses was only one percent, compared to a three percent ratio from the previous year. This level of overall cash, as a percentage of operating revenues and expenses, suggests that the Corporation operated and met its obligations this year with a comparable level of cash used in the previous year. It may also suggest that there has been an improvement over time as it relates to effectively manage its operations with low levels of cash.

V. Capital Assets and Debt Administration

The Corporation, as established in the aforementioned operations agreement with the University, is charged with the administrative and fiscal management of all grants, contracts, and sponsored agreements for the institution. Frequently some of these agreements allow the purchases of capital assets, including educational and research equipment, land and buildings, new construction and renovation of educational facilities, infrastructure development, and motor vehicles. This year, new purchases of capital assets, derived from capital grants and gifts received, totaled \$886,836 compared to the \$334,053, reported the previous year. This was a significant increase. The level of total accumulated depreciation this year was \$443,561 compared to \$395,937 last year. As per institutional and State's guidelines, major assets, such as real state and capital improvements, are titled to the University (its Board of Governors) and thus transferred and recorded on the University's financial statements. These assets are normally recorded as expenditures within the Corporation and capitalized on the University's side. As per agreement and policy, the assets carried in the Corporation's capital assets are limited to vehicles, computing, scientific, and research equipment.

The Corporation did not administer any debt during fiscal year 2014 or 2015.

VI. Economic Outlook

West Virginia State University, as a historically black and 1890 Land-Grant Institution, receives through the Corporation, federal and state appropriations used to build capacity and strengthen its research, teaching, and public service missions. These resources are regularly leveraged tri-fold with additional external support attained by the University from competitive grants, contracts, donations, and other revenue means. In the last few years, including within this reporting period, government-derived resources have contracted and become more difficult to attain. Due to this economic environment, the Corporation's revenues this year, derived from federal and private sources, suffered a modest decrease. The decrease was attributed to shrinking federal funding and revenues. Similarly, funding in private revenue was lower this year despite the University's improved efforts to pursue and expand funding sources derived from non-traditional sources, such as partnerships with private and non-private institutions and foundations, and generating program income through the sale of services. Compared to last year's level of funding derived from State's sources, however, state funding increased slightly this year. This modest increase was due to an increased collaboration with the State government including the WV Governor's School, WV Clearing House for Workforce Education, and WV Department of Agriculture. The forecast is for federal funding to remain flat, and state funding from West Virginia is projected to continue to decrease until 2021, until gas revenues fill the gap lost to the decreasing coal production. To offset and possibly increase this declining funding trend, the University will continue doubling efforts to work with State agencies and private-corporate organizations to attain additional externally sponsored funding.

The national federal funding climate appears to have stabilized; funding is expected to remain leveled for the following year, at best. In some instances, however, there will be significant reductions in federal funding to institutions of higher education. And in extreme situations, some funding lines may be eliminated. For example, WVSU, along with 17 other HBCU, were notified the HBCU Masters Grant would not be funded for federal fiscal year 2016. That is the elimination of \$11.5M in federal funding. West Virginia State University, like many other HBCUs across the country, is proactively preparing for these cuts. These will include, but are not limited to, reduction in operational costs, strategic staffing, freezing vacant positions, and layoffs. The University will continue to aggressively seek funding via competitive grants and contracts in an attempt to both bring in resources to support the University's mission, as well as offset spending cuts.

Incentivized by new administrative leadership and organizational restructuring, the University continues to seek external and internal resources for the conduct of its institutional mission: research, instruction and outreach programming. Furthermore, new academic offerings including additional graduate (e.g. engineering and energy management) and undergraduate programs (pre-engineering and pre-medicine), along with their associated research and public service, have been established. WVSU is also positioning itself as an active participant in statewide initiatives, along with other state Universities, related to research infrastructural improvements which in turn translate into regional economic development. These efforts provide the basis for greater opportunities for external funding.

West Virginia Research and Development Corporation will continue supporting and playing a vital role, as the designated fiscal manager of external resources, in the administration and advancement of research, teaching, and public service for the University. The Corporation has been, and will continue to be, a foundational fiscal catalyst in increasing sponsored activities at the University. As previously discussed, this year's financial statements reflect a slightly better position (based on revenue and net assets outcomes), in spite of a still quiescent economic environment. Through its "Vision 2020" Strategic Plan, the University is committed to increasing efforts related to expanding external resources, which, in turn, generate positive impacts on the communities and citizenry served throughout the state, regional economic development, increased research capacity, and expansion of educational facilities and programming.

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014**

	2015	2014
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 162,476	\$ 307,060
Grants and contracts receivable	873,077	847,203
Other receivables	-	337
Due from West Virginia State University	12,965	1,675
Prepaid expense	<u>135,413</u>	<u>191,605</u>
Total current assets	1,183,931	1,347,880
NONCURRENT ASSETS - Capital assets - net	<u>1,840,030</u>	<u>1,386,079</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	3,023,961	2,733,959
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 3,023,961</u>	<u>\$ 2,733,959</u>

See notes to financial statements.

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**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014**

	2015	2014
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS, AND NET POSITION		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 338,952	\$ 351,149
Due to other	1,298	1,298
Compensated absences - current portion	<u>230,071</u>	<u>216,952</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>570,321</u>	<u>569,399</u>
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Compensated absences - noncurrent portion	187,839	142,415
Other post employment benefits liability	<u>2,836,158</u>	<u>2,739,183</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>3,023,997</u>	<u>2,881,598</u>
Total liabilities	<u>3,594,318</u>	<u>3,450,997</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL	<u>3,594,318</u>	<u>3,450,997</u>
NET POSITION:		
Net investment in capital assets	1,840,030	1,386,079
Unrestricted	<u>(2,410,387)</u>	<u>(2,103,117)</u>
Total net position	<u>(570,357)</u>	<u>(717,038)</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 3,023,961</u>	<u>\$ 2,733,959</u>

See notes to financial statements.

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**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014**

	2015	2014
OPERATING REVENUES — Contracts and grants:		
Federal	\$ 8,622,666	\$ 9,030,399
State	2,432,822	2,058,657
Private	<u>394,300</u>	<u>1,068,717</u>
Total operating revenues	<u>11,449,788</u>	<u>12,157,773</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Salaries and wages	5,605,591	5,523,326
Supplies and other services	4,695,979	5,307,271
Benefits	1,390,742	1,256,584
Depreciation	443,561	395,937
Utilities	<u>64,787</u>	<u>51,966</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>12,200,660</u>	<u>12,535,084</u>
OPERATING LOSS	<u>(750,872)</u>	<u>(377,311)</u>
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES):		
Investment income	41	52
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	<u>10,676</u>	<u>(33,703)</u>
Net nonoperating revenue (expenses)	<u>10,717</u>	<u>(33,651)</u>
LOSS BEFORE OTHER REVENUES, EXPENSES, GAINS, OR LOSSES	(740,155)	(410,962)
CAPITAL GRANTS AND GIFTS	<u>886,836</u>	<u>334,053</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	146,681	(76,909)
NET POSITION — Beginning of year	<u>(717,038)</u>	<u>(640,129)</u>
NET POSITION — End of year	<u>\$ (570,357)</u>	<u>\$ (717,038)</u>

See notes to financial statements.

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014**

	2015	2014
CASH FLOWS USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Contracts and grants	\$ 11,412,961	\$ 11,873,122
Payments to and on behalf of employees	(6,840,815)	(6,672,137)
Payments to suppliers	(4,651,984)	(5,275,566)
Payments to utilities	<u>(64,787)</u>	<u>(51,966)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(144,625)</u>	<u>(126,547)</u>
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Capital grants and gifts received	886,836	334,053
Purchases of capital assets	<u>(886,836)</u>	<u>(334,053)</u>
Net cash provided by capital financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES — Investment income	<u>41</u>	<u>52</u>
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(144,584)	(126,495)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS — Beginning of year	<u>307,060</u>	<u>433,555</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS — End of year	<u>\$ 162,476</u>	<u>\$ 307,060</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Operating loss	\$ (750,872)	\$ (377,311)
Adjustments to reconcile net operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation expense	443,561	395,937
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Grants/contracts receivable	(25,874)	(323,767)
Other receivable	337	(337)
Due from West Virginia State University	(11,290)	39,453
Prepaid expenses	56,192	(80,947)
Accounts payable and due to other	(12,197)	112,652
Compensated absences and other post employment benefits liability	<u>155,518</u>	<u>107,773</u>
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>\$ (144,625)</u>	<u>\$ (126,547)</u>
NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES —		
Equipment purchased from trade-in of equipment	\$ 70,000	\$ -
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	10,676	(33,703)

See notes to financial statements

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014**

1. ORGANIZATION

West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation (the "Corporation") is a not-for-profit corporation incorporated in 1991, pursuant to the laws of the State of West Virginia (the "State"). The purpose of the Corporation is to foster, support, and assist in any research and economic development activities consistent with the educational objectives and mission of West Virginia State University (the "University"). With the assistance of the University, the Corporation has been designated by the University to fulfill the role of public institutions to work in partnership with business, industry, or government and encourages the acceptance of gifts, grants, contracts, and equipment and the sharing of facilities, equipment, technical assistance, and instructional programs in the State. The Corporation is governed by a board of directors (the "Board of Directors"), the chairperson of which is the president of the University.

During fiscal year 2008, House Bill 3215 was passed which clarified and redefined relationships between and among certain higher education boards and institutions. This legislation defines the statewide network of independent accredited community and technical colleges. Effective June 1, 2007, the administratively linked community and technical college of the University established its own Board of Governors. As required, the newly established Kanawha Valley Community and Technical College Board of Governors and the Board of Directors of the WVSU Research and Development Corporation agreed on a division of assets to be transferred to the Kanawha Valley Community and Technical College.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The financial statement presentation required by GASB provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the Corporation's assets, liabilities, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position, and cash flows.

Reporting Entity — The Corporation is included in the financial statements of the University (its Parent), as the University is the sole member of the nonstock not-for-profit corporation. The University is an operating unit of the West Virginia Higher Education Fund and represents separate funds of the State that are not included in the State's general fund. The University is a separate entity which, along with all State institutions of higher education, the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission (which includes West Virginia Network for Educational Telecomputing) (the "Commission"), and the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education form the Higher Education Fund of the State. The Higher Education Fund is considered a component unit of the State and its financial statements are discretely presented in the State's comprehensive annual financial report.

Financial Statement Presentation — GASB establishes standards for external financial reporting for public colleges and universities and requires that financial statements to be presented on a combined basis to focus on the Corporation as a whole. The components of net position are classified into four categories according to external donor restrictions or availability of assets for satisfaction of Corporation obligations. The Corporation's components of net position are classified as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets — This represents the Corporation's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred, but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets. The Corporation has no capital-related debt.

Restricted, Expendable — This includes resources in which the Corporation is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties. The Corporation did not have any restricted, expendable components of net position at June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Restricted, Nonexpendable — This includes endowment and similar type funds in which donors or other outside sources have stipulated, as a condition of the gift instrument, that the principal is to be maintained inviolate and in perpetuity, and invested for the purpose of producing present and future income, which may either be expended or added to principal. The Corporation did not have any restricted nonexpendable components of net position at June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Unrestricted — This represents resources that are not subject to externally imposed stipulations. Such resources are derived from investment income and sales and services of educational activities. These resources are used for transactions related to the educational and general operations of the Corporation and may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board of Directors.

Basis of Accounting — For financial reporting purposes, the Corporation is considered a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the Corporation's financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting with a flow of economic resources measurement focus. Revenues are reported when earned and expenses are reported when materials or services are received.

Cash and Cash Equivalents — For purposes of the statements of net position, the Corporation considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts — It is the Corporation's policy to provide for future losses on uncollectible accounts, contracts, grants, and loans receivable based on an evaluation of the underlying account, contract, grant, and loan balances, the historical collectibility experienced by the Corporation on such balances, and such other factors which, in the Corporation's judgment, require consideration in estimating doubtful accounts. As of June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Corporation has not recorded an allowance for doubtful accounts.

Capital Assets — Capital assets include property, plant, and equipment, software, books, and materials that are part of a catalogued library, and infrastructure assets. Capital assets are stated at cost at the date of acquisition or construction, or fair market value at the date of donation in the case of gifts. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 20 to 50 years for buildings and infrastructure, 20 years for land improvements, 7 years for library books, 5 years for software, and 3 to 10 years for furniture and equipment. The Corporation's threshold for capitalizing capital assets is \$5,000.

Compensated Absences and Other Post Employment Benefits Liability — GASB provides for the measurement, recognition, and display of OPEB expenditures, assets, and liabilities, including applicable note disclosures and required supplementary information. During fiscal year 2006, House Bill No. 4654 was established to create a trust fund for postemployment benefits for the State. The Corporation is required to participate in this multiple-employer, cost-sharing plan, the West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund, sponsored by the State of West Virginia. Details regarding this plan and its stand-alone financials can be obtained by contacting the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA), State Capitol Complex, Building 5, Room 1001, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Charleston, WV 25305-0710 or <http://www.wvpeia.com>.

GASB requires entities to accrue for employees' rights to receive compensation for vacation leave or payments in lieu of accrued vacation or sick leave as such benefits are earned and payment becomes probable. The Corporation's full-time employees earn up to two vacation leave days for each month of service and are entitled to compensation for accumulated, unpaid vacation leave upon termination. Full-time employees also earn 1 1/2 sick leave days for each month of service and are entitled to extend their health or

life insurance coverage upon retirement in lieu of accumulated, unpaid sick leave. Generally, two days of accrued sick leave extend health insurance for one month of single coverage, and three days extend health insurance for one month of family coverage. For employees hired after 1988, or who were hired before 1988 but did not choose such coverage until after 1988 but before July 1, 2001, the employee shares in the cost of the extended benefit coverage to the extent of 50% of the premium required for the extended coverage. Employees hired July 1, 2001, or later will no longer receive sick leave credit toward insurance premiums when they retire. Additionally, all retirees have the option to purchase continued coverage regardless of their eligibility for premium credits. This liability is now provided for under the multiple-employer, cost-sharing plan sponsored by the State.

Certain faculty employees (generally those with less than a 12-month contract) earn a similar extended health or life insurance coverage retirement benefit based on years of service. Generally, 3 1/3 years of teaching service extend health insurance for one year of single coverage, and five years extend health insurance for one year of family coverage. Faculty hired after July 1, 2009, will no longer receive years of service credit toward insurance premiums when they retire. Employees hired after July 1, 2010, receive no health insurance premium subsidy from the Corporation. Two groups of employees hired after July 1, 2010, will not be required to pay the unsubsidized rate: 1) active employees who were originally hired before July 1, 2010, who have a break in service of fewer than two years after July 1, 2010; and 2) retired employees who retired before July 1, 2010, return to active service after July 1, 2010, and then go back into retirement. In those cases, the original hire date will apply.

The estimated expense and expense incurred for the vacation leave or OPEB benefits is recorded as a component of benefits expense in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

Risk Management — The State's Board of Risk and Insurance Management (BRIM) provides general liability coverage to the Corporation and its employees. Such coverage may be provided to the Corporation by BRIM through self-insurance programs maintained by BRIM or policies underwritten by BRIM that may involve experience-related premiums or adjustments to BRIM.

BRIM engages an independent actuary to assist in the determination of its premiums so as to minimize the likelihood of premium adjustments to the Corporation or other participants in BRIM's insurance programs. As a result, management does not expect significant differences between the premiums the Corporation is currently charged by BRIM and the ultimate cost of that insurance based on the Corporation's actual loss experience. In the event such differences arise between estimated premiums currently charged by BRIM to the Corporation and the Corporation's ultimate actual loss experience, the difference will be recorded as the change in estimate becomes known.

Classification of Revenues — The Corporation has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

Operating Revenues — Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (3) most federal, state, local, and nongovernmental grants and contracts, and (4) sales and services of educational activities.

Nonoperating Revenues — Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenues that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB, such as state appropriations, Federal Pell Grants, investment income, and sale of capital assets (including natural resources).

Other Revenues — Other revenues consist primarily of capital grants and gifts.

Use of Restricted Components of Net Position — The Corporation has not adopted a formal policy regarding whether to first apply restricted or unrestricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available. Generally, the Corporation attempts to utilize restricted resources first when practical.

Government Grants and Contracts — Government grants and contracts normally provide for the recovery of direct and indirect costs subject to an audit. The Corporation recognizes revenue associated with direct costs as the related costs are incurred. Recovery of related indirect costs is generally recorded at fixed rates negotiated for a period of one to five years.

Tax Status — The Corporation has applied for and received from the Internal Revenue Service an exemption from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as an entity organized for educational, research, and economic development purposes.

Use of Estimates — The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The carrying amount of cash in bank at June 30, 2015 and 2014 was \$162,476 and \$307,060, respectively, compared with the bank balance of \$398,485 and \$374,258, respectively. The difference is primarily caused by outstanding checks and items in transit. Of the bank balances at June 30, 2015 and 2014, \$398,485 and \$374,258, respectively, were covered by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Corporation had no exposure to custodial credit risk at June 30, 2015 and 2014.

4. CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of capital asset transactions for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, is as follows:

2015	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance
Capital assets:				
Equipment	\$ 3,952,291	\$ 896,233	\$ (90,600)	\$ 4,757,924
Motor vehicles	566,106	60,603	(64,330)	562,379
Software	340,069	-	-	340,069
Library books	205,945	-	-	205,945
Total capital assets	<u>5,064,411</u>	<u>956,836</u>	<u>(154,930)</u>	<u>5,866,317</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	2,665,329	381,240	(31,276)	3,015,293
Motor vehicles	466,989	62,321	(64,330)	464,980
Software	340,069	-	-	340,069
Library books	205,945	-	-	205,945
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>3,678,332</u>	<u>443,561</u>	<u>(95,606)</u>	<u>4,026,287</u>
Capital assets — net	<u>\$ 1,386,079</u>	<u>\$ 513,275</u>	<u>\$ (59,324)</u>	<u>\$ 1,840,030</u>
Capital asset summary:				
Capital assets	\$ 5,064,411	\$ 956,836	\$ (154,930)	\$ 5,866,317
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>3,678,332</u>	<u>443,561</u>	<u>(95,606)</u>	<u>4,026,287</u>
Capital assets — net	<u>\$ 1,386,079</u>	<u>\$ 513,275</u>	<u>\$ (59,324)</u>	<u>\$ 1,840,030</u>
2014	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance
Capital assets:				
Equipment	\$ 4,294,888	\$ 334,053	\$ (676,650)	\$ 3,952,291
Motor vehicles	566,206	-	(100)	566,106
Software	340,069	-	-	340,069
Library books	205,945	-	-	205,945
Total capital assets	<u>5,407,108</u>	<u>334,053</u>	<u>(676,750)</u>	<u>5,064,411</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment	2,988,833	319,463	(642,967)	2,665,329
Motor vehicles	390,595	76,474	(80)	466,989
Software	340,069	-	-	340,069
Library books	205,945	-	-	205,945
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>3,925,442</u>	<u>395,937</u>	<u>(643,047)</u>	<u>3,678,332</u>
Capital assets — net	<u>\$ 1,481,666</u>	<u>\$ (61,884)</u>	<u>\$ (33,703)</u>	<u>\$ 1,386,079</u>
Capital asset summary:				
Capital assets	\$ 5,407,108	\$ 334,053	\$ (676,750)	\$ 5,064,411
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>3,925,442</u>	<u>395,937</u>	<u>(643,047)</u>	<u>3,678,332</u>
Capital assets — net	<u>\$ 1,481,666</u>	<u>\$ (61,884)</u>	<u>\$ (33,703)</u>	<u>\$ 1,386,079</u>

Title for motor vehicles is with the University.

5. OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

In accordance with GASB, OPEB costs are accrued based upon invoices received from PEIA, which are based upon actuarially determined amounts. At June 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, the noncurrent liability related to OPEB costs was \$2,836,158, \$2,739,183 and \$2,691,767, respectively. The total OPEB expense incurred and the amount of OPEB expense that relates to retirees was \$96,975 and \$0, respectively, during 2015, \$47,416 and \$0, respectively, during 2014, and \$48,094 and \$0, respectively, during 2013. As of the year ended June 30, 2015, there were no retirees receiving these benefits.

6. RETIREMENT PLAN

All eligible employees of the Corporation participate in the Teachers' Insurance and Annuities Association — College Retirement Equities Fund (the TIAA-CREF). The TIAA-CREF is a defined contribution plan in which benefits are based solely upon amounts contributed plus investment earnings. Each employee who elects to participate in this plan is required to make a contribution equal to 6% of total annual compensation. The Corporation matches the employees' 6% contributions. Contributions are immediately and fully vested. In addition, employees may elect to make additional contributions to TIAA-CREF which is not matched by the Corporation.

Total contributions to the TIAA-CREF for the years ended June 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, were \$494,639, \$501,258 and \$519,150, respectively, which consisted of equal contributions from the Corporation and covered employees in 2015, 2014 and 2013 of \$247,319, \$250,629 and \$259,575, respectively.

The Corporation's total payroll for the years ended June 30, 2015, 2014 and 2013, was \$5,140,372, \$5,303,143, and \$5,428,356, respectively; total covered employees' salaries for TIAA-CREF were \$4,121,988, \$4,177,150, and \$4,326,249 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

7. CONTINGENCIES

Under the terms of federal grants, periodic audits are required and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the terms of the grants. Such audits could lead to reimbursement to the grantor agencies. The Corporation's management believes disallowances, if any, will not have a significant financial impact on the Corporation's financial position.

The nature of the educational industry is such that, from time-to-time, claims will be presented against the Corporation on account of alleged negligence, acts of discrimination, breach of contract, or disagreements arising from the interpretation of laws or regulations. While some of these claims may be for substantial amounts, they are not unusual in the ordinary course of providing educational services in a higher education system. In the opinion of management, all known claims are covered by insurance or are such that an award against the Corporation would not seriously affect the financial position of the institution.

8. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Corporation did not have any recognized or nonrecognized subsequent events that need to be recorded or disclosed after June 30, 2015, the statement of net position date. Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of the auditors' report, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

9. OPERATING LEASES

Future minimum lease payments for years subsequent to June 30, 2015, are as follows:

2016	\$ 40,012
2017	40,412

The total operating lease expense for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, was \$192,312 and \$170,546, respectively. The Corporation does not have any noncancelable leases.

10. UNRESTRICTED COMPONENTS OF NET POSITION

At June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Corporation has no designated unrestricted components of net position.

11. NATURAL CLASSIFICATIONS WITH FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS

Operating expenses within both natural and functional classifications for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, are as follows:

2015	Salaries and Wages	Benefits	Supplies and Other Services	Utilities	Depreciation	Total
Research	\$ 2,454,667	\$ 650,363	\$ 1,625,305	\$ 26,288	\$ -	\$ 4,756,623
Public service	1,860,050	491,955	1,293,389	35,553	-	3,680,947
General institutional support	1,290,874	248,424	1,776,594	2,946	-	3,318,838
Auxiliary enterprises	-	-	691	-	-	691
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	443,561	443,561
Total	<u>\$ 5,605,591</u>	<u>\$ 1,390,742</u>	<u>\$ 4,695,979</u>	<u>\$ 64,787</u>	<u>\$ 443,561</u>	<u>\$ 12,200,660</u>
2014	Salaries and Wages	Benefits	Supplies and Other Services	Utilities	Depreciation	Total
Research	\$ 2,433,472	\$ 588,168	\$ 1,197,699	\$ 18,065	\$ -	\$ 4,237,404
Public service	1,698,044	384,223	1,825,817	33,054	-	3,941,138
General institutional support	1,391,810	284,193	2,286,349	847	-	3,963,199
Auxiliary enterprises	-	-	(2,594)	-	-	(2,594)
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	395,937	395,937
Total	<u>\$ 5,523,326</u>	<u>\$ 1,256,584</u>	<u>\$ 5,307,271</u>	<u>\$ 51,966</u>	<u>\$ 395,937</u>	<u>\$ 12,535,084</u>

12. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The summary of long-term obligation transactions for the Corporation for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, is as follows:

	2015				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Compensated absences	<u>\$ 359,367</u>	<u>\$ 277,271</u>	<u>\$ (218,728)</u>	<u>\$ 417,910</u>	\$ 230,071
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 359,367</u>	<u>\$ 277,271</u>	<u>\$ (218,728)</u>	<u>\$ 417,910</u>	

	2014				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Compensated absences	<u>\$ 299,010</u>	<u>\$ 292,211</u>	<u>\$ (231,854)</u>	<u>\$ 359,367</u>	\$ 216,952
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 299,010</u>	<u>\$ 292,211</u>	<u>\$ (231,854)</u>	<u>\$ 359,367</u>	

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Agency	Source	CFDA/ Contract Number	Indirect Agency	Indirect Agency Award Number	Federal Expenditures
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CLUSTER:					
Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service	D	10.205			\$ 1,915,146
Cooperative Research (Evans Allen — Section 1445) 1890		10.205 Subtotal			\$ 1,915,146
Capacity Building Grant — TROUT	D	10.216			82,798
Capacity Building Grant — ONLINE TEACHING	D	10.216			116,113
Capacity Building Grant — CGIAR	D	10.216			91,088
Capacity Building Grant — ALCORN SUBAWARD	I	10.216	Alcorn State	2012-38821-20036	70,807
Capacity Building Grant — WATERMELON	D	10.216			113,161
Capacity Building Grant — PLANT BREEDING	D	10.216			20,803
Capacity Building Grant — 4-H FAMILY	D	10.216			65,041
Capacity Building Grant — TOMATOES	D	10.216			32,839
Capacity Building Grant — MINE SITES	D	10.216			119,240
Capacity Building Grant — BIO TECHNOLOGIES	D	10.216			35,014
Capacity Building Grant — BIO ENERGY COMM	D	10.216			29,836
Capacity Building Grant — 4-H PLANTERS	D	10.216			95,152
Capacity Building Grant — PUMPKIN	D	10.216			119,080
Capacity Building Grant — COLD STORAGE	D	10.216			782
Capacity Building Grant — KSU SUBAWARD	I	10.216	KY State University	2014-38821-22413	3,152
Capacity Building Grant — MICROBIOMES	D	10.216			5,482
Capacity Building Grant — MUSHROOM SUBAWARD	I	10.216	Southern University	2013-38821-21386	20,634
Capacity Building Grant — CROP EVOLUTION	D	10.216			11,177
Capacity Building Grant — HIBISCUS	I	10.216	Southern University	2012-38821-20092	20,639
		10.216 Subtotal			1,052,838

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WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Agency	Source	CFDA/ Contract Number	Indirect Agency	Indirect Agency Award Number	Federal Expenditures
Sustainable Agriculture (SARE)	I	10.215	University of Vermont	2011-47001-30421	2,136
Sustainable Agriculture PDP (SARE) 14	I	10.215	University of Vermont	2014-38640-22161	<u>2,457</u>
		10.215 Subtotal			4,593
National Institutes of Health (NIH)					
WV INBRE NATURAL PRODUCTS-BITTERMELON	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	15,009
WV INBRE NATURAL PRODUCTS-PEPPER	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	20,853
WV INBRE NATURAL PRODUCTS-FULTZ 15	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	13,255
WV INBRE NATURAL PRODUCTS-FULTZ 14	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	5,522
WV INBRE NATURAL PRODUCTS-HARRIS 14	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	3,429
WV INBRE BIOINFORMATICS	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	431
WV INBRE HANKINS 13	I	93.859	MURC	5P20GM103434-13	39,562
WV INBRE HANKINS 14	I	93.859	MURC	2P20GM103434-14	<u>25,731</u>
		93.859 Subtotal			123,792
National Science Foundation (NSF)					
LSAMP	I	47.076	University of Kentucky	HRD-1305039	6,873
CLIPS	I	47.049	Case Western Reserve	DMR-0423914	8,474
EPSCOR — Track 1	I	47.081	WVRO HEPC	EPS-1003907	<u>726,694</u>
		Subtotal			742,041
Total research and development cluster					<u>3,838,410</u>
US Department of Agriculture					
MCINTIRE STENNIS 12	D	10.202			4,417
MCINTIRE STENNIS 13	D	10.202			8,427
MCINTIRE STENNIS 14	D	10.202			64,574
MCINTIRE STENNIS 15	D	10.202			<u>3,178</u>
		10.202 Subtotal			80,596

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WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Agency	Source	CFDA/ Contract Number	Indirect Agency	Indirect Agency Award Number	Federal Expenditures
EXTENSION IMPLEMENTATION	I	10.329 10.329 Subtotal	West Virginia University	2014-70006-22578	524
NRCS HIGH TUNNEL	D	10.902			586
NRCS Drilling Mud	D	10.902			36,572
		10.902 Subtotal			37,158
AFRI Food Security	I	10.310 10.310 Subtotal	Pennsylvania State	2011-68004-30057	23,841
Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service	D	10.500			1,455,605
Cooperative Extension Service (Smith Lever - Section 1444)	D	10.500			156,751
1890 Facilities Grant Extension Service	D	10.500			1,357
Renewable Resources Extension Act - RREA 13	D	10.500			9,526
Renewable Resources Extension Act - RREA 14	D	10.500			9,568
Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program - EFNEP	D	10.500			101,216
Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program - EFNEP	D	10.500			70,847
Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program - EFNEP	D	10.500			300
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Program - CYFAR 13	D	10.500			50
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Program - CYFAR 14	D	10.500			12,864
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Program - CYFAR SC	D	10.500			32,529
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk Program - CYFAR SC	D	10.500			83,767
Get Fit McDowell	D	10.500			5,948
WV Agrability	I	10.500	West Virginia University	2014-41590-22385	2,418
Cape Health Literacy - Dunn	I	10.500	Michigan State University	2013-48765-21544	9,045
Cape Health Literacy - Wamsley	I	10.500	Michigan State University	2013-48765-21544	59,498
Cape II-CABELL Co	I	10.500	Michigan State University	2013-48765-21544	12,692
Cape II-Kanawha Co	I	10.500	Michigan State University	2013-48765-21544	10,808
		10.500 Subtotal			2,034,789

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WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Agency	Source	CFDA/ Contract Number	Indirect Agency	Indirect Agency Award Number	Federal Expenditures
Small Fruit Trees 2	I	10.170	WV Dept. of Agric.	2013SC08	1,450
Speciality Mushrooms	I	10.170	WV Dept. of Agric.	2014SC07	3,868
Speciality Hops	I	10.170	WV Dept. of Agric.	2014SC06	8,418
Speciality High Tunnel	I	10.170	WV Dept. of Agric.	2015SC05	174
Speciality Pecan	I	10.170	WV Dept. of Agric.	2015SC07	261
		10.170 Subtotal			14,171
Disadvantage Farmers	D	10.443		60,663	60,663
		10.443 Subtotal			
FSA OUTREACH	D	58-0510-4-069		1,533	1,533
		Subtotal			
U.S. Department of Education (D of Ed)	D	84.031		531,407	531,407
Title III-B-2014 Strengthening Historically Black College	D	84.031		1,176,613	1,176,613
Title III-B-2015 Strengthening Historically Black College	D	84.031 B		237,465	237,465
Title III Part F 2014	D	84.031 B		349,313	349,313
Title III Part F 2015	D	84.031 B		Subtotal	2,294,798
Title VII Master 2014	D	84.382 G		24,141	24,141
Title VII Master 2015	D	84.382 G		342,368	342,368
		84.382 G Subtotal			366,509
GearUP	I	84.334S	WVHEPC	2015-NEWGU-12	1,057
		84.334S Subtotal			1,057
21st Century 4-H	I	84.287	Bob Burdette Center	0402 15000000 826	501
		84.287 Subtotal			501

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Federal Agency	Source	CFDA/ Contract Number	Indirect Agency	Indirect Agency Award Number	Federal Expenditures
ITQ Hungry For Words	I	ITQ-15	WVHEPC	ITQ-15-WVSU-1	21,052
		Subtotal			21,052
Department of Defense	D	12.630		320,515	
DOD Mass Spectrometer	D	12.630		199,667	
DOD Gas Chromatograph	D	12.630		74,109	
DOD Photometric Analyzer		12.630 Subtotal			594,291
Appalachian Regional Commission ARC Renewable Energy	I	23.002	MURC	WV-16454-C1-13	25,728
		23.002 Subtotal			25,728
U.S. Department of the Interior 4-H Youth Mentoring 14	I	16.726	4-H	2013-JU-FX-0022	26,624
4-H Youth Mentoring 15	I	16.726	4-H	2014-JU-FX-0025	25,796
		16.726 Subtotal			52,420
U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) STI 14	I	20.205	WV DOT	N/A	42,138
STI 15	I	20.205	WV DOT	N/A	16,423
		20.205 Subtotal			58,561
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS					\$ 9,506,602

See notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards

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**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

1. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation (the "Corporation") for the year ended June 30, 2015, and is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. For purposes of the Schedule, federal awards have been classified into two types: direct federal funds (D) and indirect federal funds (I) received from nonfederal organizations made under federally sponsored programs conducted by those organizations.
2. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Numbers are presented for those programs for which such numbers are available. In instances where no CFDA Number is available, the contract award number is included.
3. The Corporation receives significant financial assistance from the federal government, including the sponsorship of federal research projects. Research grants and contracts normally provide for the recovery of direct and indirect costs. Recovery of the related indirect costs is generally recorded at predetermined rates negotiated with the federal government. Entitlement to these resources for the recovery of the applicable direct and related indirect costs is generally conditioned upon compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of the resources for eligible purposes. Substantially, all grants and the Corporation's indirect cost rate are subject to financial and compliance reviews and audits by the grantors. In management's opinion, the likelihood of an adverse material outcome upon the Corporation's financial position from those reviews and audits is unlikely.
4. Subrecipient expenditures in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards at June 30, 2015, include:

Federal Agency	Subrecipient	CFDA	Subrecipient Expenditures
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Kanawha Institute for Social Research and Action, Inc	10.443	\$ 21,196
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Alabama A&M University	10.216	53,957
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Florida A&M University	10.216	<u>5,660</u>
	Total all Subrecipients		<u>\$ 80,813</u>



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

To the Board of Directors of
West Virginia State University
Research and Development Corporation

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation ("the Corporation"), which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2015, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 30, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 Corporation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* 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 and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

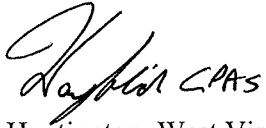
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Corporation's financial statements are free from 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*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kayla L. CAS".

Huntington, West Virginia
November 30, 2015



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the Board of Directors of
West Virginia State University
Research and Development Corporation

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited West Virginia State University Research and Development Corporation's ("the Corporation") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Corporation's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Corporation's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Corporation's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Corporation's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Corporation's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Corporation complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Corporation's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Huntington, West Virginia
November 30, 2015

**WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

PART I. — SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued:

Unmodified opinion

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified?

_____ Yes X No

Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weakness(es)?

_____ Yes X No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

_____ Yes X No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness(es) identified?

_____ Yes X No

Significant deficiency(ies) identified not considered to be material weakness(es)?

_____ Yes X No

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:

Unmodified opinion

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 (Section .510(a))?

_____ Yes X No

Identification of Major Programs:

CFDA Number

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

84.031

Title III

12.630

DOD Photometric Analyzer

12.630

DOD Mass Spectrometer

12.630

DOD Gas Chromatograph

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B Programs

 \$ 300,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

 X Yes _____ No

PART II. — FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS SECTION

No matters are reportable.

PART III. — FEDERAL AWARD FINDING AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION

No matters are reportable.