Memorandum

May 1, 2006

To: Ann Craddock, Office of Sponsored Projects
    Bob Effinger, Research Foundation
    Richard Hamilton, Contracts Office

From: Max Wardrup
      Director of Special Projects

Re: Statewide Single Audit

Attached is the package the University will furnish to respond to grantors who wish to review the independent audit opinion on the University’s financial statements and on the expenditure of federal funds. The last audit was performed as part of the Statewide Single Audit for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2005. This package reflects the unqualified opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole, the independent unqualified opinion on the Schedule of Federal Expenditures, and documents that Prairie View A&M University had no findings of non-compliance nor any questioned costs related to federal funds. Please ensure that grantors or potential grantors making this request are furnished with this package.
May 1, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

As an agency of the State of Texas, Prairie View A&M University is audited annually as part of the Statewide Single Audit. The Texas State Auditor’s Office issued an unqualified opinion on the State’s basic financial statements and contracted with KPMG, LLP to perform the federal portion of the 2005 Statewide Single Audit. As indicated by the attached reports, KPMG, LLP issued an unqualified opinion of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, but was unable to issue an unqualified opinion for their review of compliance and control over the State’s federal awards. All institutions and agencies with compliance issues or questioned federal costs are listed on the attached report. Please note that KPMG, LLP noted no findings and no questioned costs of federal funds at Prairie View A&M University. The complete reports may be accessed at the Texas State Auditor’s Web site which is located at www.sao.state.tx.

Sincerely,

Mary Lee Hodge
Vice President for Business Affairs
State of Texas Financial Portion of the Statewide Single Audit Report for the Year Ended August 31, 2005

March 2006

Report Number 06-555

Overall Conclusion

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the State of Texas accurately presents the financial position and activities of the State for the year ended August 31, 2005.

The ability to prepare materially correct financial statements represents a significant accomplishment for the State. With the third-largest budget among all 50 states, nearly $77.7 billion in annual expenditures, and more than 200 state agencies and institutions of higher education, the State must contend with significant complexities in preparing its basic financial statements. The financial statements provide a comprehensive picture of how the State used its resources during the year, as well as the State’s remaining assets and obligations at the end of the year.

Auditing financial statements is not limited to reviewing the accuracy of the numbers in those statements. Conducting this audit also requires the State Auditor’s Office to audit the underlying systems and processes that agencies and institutions of higher education use to record their financial activities. Through that effort, we identified specific weaknesses that certain agencies should correct to ensure the accuracy of their financial information.

The State Auditor’s Office conducts this audit so that the State can comply with legislation and federal grant requirements that require it to obtain an opinion regarding the material accuracy of its basic financial statements and a report on internal controls related to those statements. The results of this audit are used primarily by bond-rating agencies that rate newly issued bonds and by federal agencies that award grants.

Contact the SAO about this report.

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The State Auditor’s Office’s opinion letter regarding the State’s basic financial statements is published in the State of Texas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended

http://www.sao.state.tx.us/Reports/report.cfm/report/06-555

5/1/2006

The State Auditor's Office and KPMG, LLP performed the federal portion of the 2005 statewide single audit. The federal portion included a review of compliance and controls over the State's federal awards and an audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. This report, along with the financial portion of the statewide single audit performed by the State Auditor's Office, is submitted to the federal government to fulfill single audit reporting requirements.
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Federal Portion of
Statewide Single Audit Report

For the Year Ended August 31, 2005
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT ON
THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

The Honorable Rick Perry, Governor
The Honorable Carole Keeton Strayhorn, Comptroller of Public Accounts
The Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor
The Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House of Representatives
and
Members of the Legislature, State of Texas

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the State of Texas as of and for the year ended August 31, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2006.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements that collectively comprise the State of Texas’s basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for the purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and it is 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.

As described in note 1 to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards does not include expenditures of federal awards for four component units of the State of Texas. Each of those component units has its own independent audit in compliance with OMB Circular A-133.

John Keel, CPA
State Auditor

February 21, 2006

SAO No. 06-320
Independent Auditors’ Report
on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to
Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance
in Accordance With OMB Circular A-133

The Honorable Rick Perry, Governor,
and Members of the Texas State Legislature
State of Texas:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the State of Texas (the State) with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2005, except those requirements discussed in the sixth following paragraph. We also did not audit the State’s compliance with compliance requirements applicable to the Student Financial Assistance Cluster and the Research and Development Cluster, which is approximately 11.8% of total federal assistance received by the State. The State’s major Federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors’ results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The Student Financial Assistance Cluster and the Research and Development Cluster are identified in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as major Federal programs and were audited by another auditor whose report has been furnished to us. Our opinion, insofar as it relates to the Student Financial Assistance Cluster and the Research and Development Cluster, is based solely on the report of the other auditor. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the State’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the State’s compliance based on our audit.

Our audit described below does not include expenditures of Federal awards for four component units of the State of Texas for financial statement purposes. Each of those agencies has its own independent audit in compliance with OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations.

Except as discussed in the following paragraph, 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 State’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. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the State’s compliance with those requirements.

We were unable to obtain sufficient documentation supporting the compliance of the State for the program compliance requirements listed below nor were we able to satisfy ourselves as to the State’s compliance with those requirements by other auditing procedures. These program’s compliance requirements were:
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As identified below and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, the State did not comply with certain compliance requirements that are applicable to certain of its major Federal programs. Based on our audit and the report of other auditors, compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the State to comply with requirements applicable to the identified major Federal programs. The results of the auditing procedures are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items:

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In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, except for the noncompliance described in the preceding paragraph and except for the effects of such noncompliance, if any, as might have been determined had we been able to examine sufficient evidence regarding the State’s compliance with the requirements described in the second preceding paragraph, the State complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major Federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2005, other than those requirements discussed in the following paragraph. The results of our auditing procedures and the report of other auditors also disclosed instances of noncompliance with those requirements, which are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items:
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The other auditors did not audit compliance with requirements governing billing and collection of Perkins loans for certain portions of the State. Those requirements govern functions that are performed by Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. (ACS) and Campus Partners. Since the other auditors did not apply auditing procedures to satisfy themselves as to compliance with those requirements, the scope of their work was not sufficient to enable them to express, and the other auditors do not express, an opinion on compliance with those requirements.
The service organizations' compliance with the requirements governing the functions that they perform was examined by other accountants whose reports have been furnished to the other auditors. The reports of the other accountants indicate that compliance with those requirements was examined in accordance with the Department of Education's Audit Guide, *Audits of Federal Student Financial Assistance Programs at Participating Institutions and Institution Servicers*. Based on the other auditors review of the service organization accountants' reports, the other auditors have determined that all of the compliance requirements included in the *Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to the Student Financial Assistance Cluster major program are addressed in either their report or the report of the respective service organization's accountants. Further, based on the other auditors review of the service organization accountants' reports, the other auditors have determined that they do not contain any findings of noncompliance that would have a direct and material effect on the Student Financial Assistance Cluster major program.

**Internal Control Over Compliance**

The management of the State is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to Federal programs. In planning and performing the audit, we and the other auditors considered the State's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major Federal program in order to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on the internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Requirements governing billing and collection of Perkins loans are performed by the service organizations noted above. Internal control over compliance relating to such functions was reported on by other accountants in accordance with the Department of Education's Audit Guide, *Audits of Federal Student Financial Assistance Programs at Participating Institutions and Institution Servicers*. Copies of the service organizations accountants' reports have been furnished to the other auditors. However, the scope of the other auditors work did not extend to internal control maintained at the respective service organizations as noted above.

We and the other auditors noted certain matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that we and the other auditors consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over compliance that, in our and the other auditors judgment, could adversely affect the State's ability to administer a major Federal program in accordance with the applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, and are listed below, excluding those reportable conditions we also consider to be material weaknesses:

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