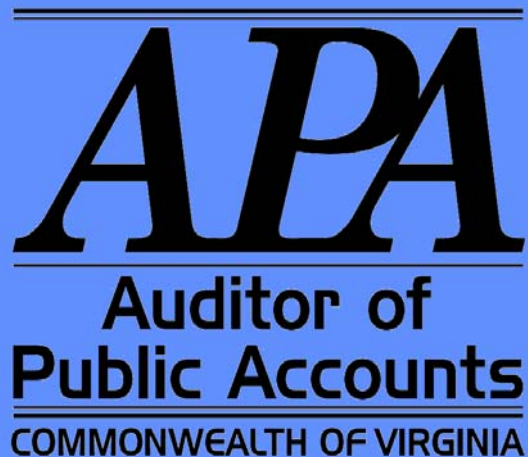


**VIRGINIA BIOTECHNOLOGY
RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP AUTHORITY**

**REPORT ON AUDIT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2012**



AUDIT SUMMARY

Our audit of the Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority (Authority) for the year ended June 30, 2012, found:

- The financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects;
- No internal control findings requiring management's attention; and
- No instances of noncompliance or other matters required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority (Authority) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and issued our reports thereon, dated November 20, 2012. Our report is included in the Authority's Annual Report that it anticipates releasing on or around December 4th, 2012, and will be available at the Auditor of Public Accounts website at www.apa.virginia.gov and at the Authority's website at <http://vabiotech.com/>.



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November 20, 2012

The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell
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The Honorable Charles J. Colgan
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Board Members
Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority Board
Virginia Biotechnology Research Park Corporation Board

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

We have audited the basic financial statements of the **Virginia Biotechnology Research Partnership Authority** as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated November 20, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting 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 financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Status of Prior Findings

The Authority has taken adequate corrective action with respect to audit findings reported in the prior year.

Report Distribution and Exit Conference

The "Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters" is intended solely for the information and use of the Governor and General Assembly of Virginia, the Authority's Board and management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone, other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

We discussed this report with management on November 20, 2012.

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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