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Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Brown:

In compliance with Chapter 69, Title 31 U.S. Code, §6901-6907, commonly referred to as the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Act, we are enclosing the following requested information:

**Attachment A** Statement of Federal Land Payments during the period  
*October 1, 2014, through September 30, 2015*

**Attachment B** Code of Virginia Chapter 8, Public School Funds, Article 3  
§ 22.1-108, *Money derived from forest reserve*

The total amount disbursed for **Timber Payments** matches the amount reported on Enclosure 2, which we received on January 5, 2016, from the United States Department of the Interior. The disbursements are included on the Statement of Federal Land Payments.

The total amount disbursed for **Minerals Management Service Payments** includes undistributed funds at the end of federal fiscal year 2014 that were subsequently distributed during federal fiscal year 2015, and therefore does not match Enclosure 2. In addition, some funds received during federal fiscal year 2015 were undistributed at the end of the federal fiscal year 2015. Details on the distribution of these payments are disclosed in Note 1 of the Statement of Federal Land Payments.

Funds received from **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Power Sales** during federal fiscal year 2014 and 2015 were undistributed at the end of federal fiscal year 2015. Details on the distribution of these payments are disclosed in Note 2 of the Statement of Federal Land Payments.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**  
**STATEMENT OF FEDERAL LAND PAYMENTS**

For the Period October 1, 2014, through September 30, 2015

| <b>Governmental Unit</b> | <b>Timber<br/>Payments</b>    | <b>Mineral<br/>Management<br/>Service Payments</b> | <b>FERC<br/>Power<br/>Sales</b> | <b>Total<br/>Recommended<br/>for Acceptance</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Alleghany County         | \$ 138,926.73                 | \$ 694.12                                          | -                               | \$ 139,620.85                                   |
| Amherst County           | 67,827.33                     | 283.16                                             | -                               | 68,110.49                                       |
| Augusta County           | 156,371.98                    | 959.22                                             | -                               | 157,331.20                                      |
| Bath County              | 91,344.41                     | 849.85                                             | -                               | 92,194.26                                       |
| Bedford County           | 15,255.55                     | 281.51                                             | -                               | 15,537.06                                       |
| Bland County             | 80,321.40                     | 1,146.01                                           | -                               | 81,467.41                                       |
| Botetourt County         | 50,414.13                     | 1,082.74                                           | -                               | 51,496.87                                       |
| Carroll County           | 9,653.59                      | 109.00                                             | -                               | 9,762.59                                        |
| Craig County             | 131,701.04                    | 1,741.27                                           | -                               | 133,442.31                                      |
| Dickenson County         | 13,149.16                     | 131.12                                             | -                               | 13,280.28                                       |
| Frederick County         | 4,162.64                      | 23.89                                              | -                               | 4,186.53                                        |
| Giles County             | 83,481.06                     | 953.01                                             | -                               | 84,434.07                                       |
| Grayson County           | 59,309.43                     | 496.52                                             | -                               | 59,805.95                                       |
| Highland County          | 47,001.75                     | 285.07                                             | -                               | 47,286.82                                       |
| Lee County               | 19,156.93                     | 169.58                                             | -                               | 19,326.51                                       |
| Mecklenburg County       | -                             | -                                                  | -                               | -                                               |
| Montgomery County        | 26,743.69                     | 290.96                                             | -                               | 27,034.65                                       |
| Nelson County            | 3,882.48                      | 97.00                                              | -                               | 3,979.48                                        |
| Page County              | 28,603.80                     | 132.49                                             | -                               | 28,736.29                                       |
| Pulaski County           | 19,886.91                     | 288.55                                             | -                               | 20,175.46                                       |
| Roanoke County           | 2,310.48                      | 46.98                                              | -                               | 2,357.39                                        |
| Rockbridge County        | 72,582.79                     | 544.39                                             | -                               | 73,127.18                                       |
| Rockingham County        | 27,333.97                     | 683.95                                             | -                               | 28,017.92                                       |
| Scott County             | 54,084.01                     | 517.38                                             | -                               | 54,601.39                                       |
| Shenandoah County        | 14,820.83                     | 372.11                                             | -                               | 15,192.94                                       |
| Smyth County             | 89,451.52                     | 1,119.96                                           | -                               | 90,571.48                                       |
| Tazewell County          | 11,377.04                     | 146.88                                             | -                               | 11,523.92                                       |
| Warren County            | 1,200.24                      | 30.78                                              | -                               | 1,231.02                                        |
| Washington County        | 21,918.78                     | 333.71                                             | -                               | 22,252.49                                       |
| Wise County              | 51,011.17                     | 545.84                                             | -                               | 51,557.01                                       |
| Wythe County             | <u>80,866.12</u>              | <u>873.39</u>                                      | <u>-</u>                        | <u>81,739.51</u>                                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>             | <u><u>\$ 1,474,150.96</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 15,230.44</u></u>                         | <u><u>\$ -</u></u>              | <u><u>\$ 1,489,381.33</u></u>                   |

**Note 1:** During federal fiscal year 2015, the amount reported for **Minerals Management Service Payments** on Enclosure 2 from the Department of the Interior was \$15,268. Actual cash payments to localities during federal fiscal year 2015 totaled \$15,230.44, which includes \$352.45 of undistributed payments from the prior year. There is \$390.01 in undistributed funds at the end of federal fiscal year 2015, which we will include in our reporting for federal fiscal year 2016.

|                                         | <u>FFY 2015</u>    |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Prior Year Undistributed Funds          | \$ 352.45          |
| Current Year Receipts                   | <u>15,268.00</u>   |
| Total Funds Available for Distribution  | 15,620.45          |
| Cash Payments Distributed to Localities | <u>(15,230.44)</u> |
| Current Year Undistributed Funds        | <u>\$ 390.01</u>   |

**Note 2:** During federal fiscal year 2015, the amount reported for **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Power Sales** on Enclosure 2 from the Department of the Interior was \$54,103. None of these funds were paid to localities during federal fiscal year 2015. As a result, there is \$105,544 in undistributed funds at the end of federal fiscal year 2015, which we will include in our reporting for federal fiscal year 2016.

|                                         | <u>FFY 2015</u>      |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Prior Year Undistributed Funds          | \$ 51,441.00         |
| Current Year Receipts                   | <u>54,103.00</u>     |
| Total Funds Available for Distribution  | 105,544.00           |
| Cash Payments Distributed to Localities | <u>(0.00)</u>        |
| Current Year Undistributed Funds        | <u>\$ 105,544.00</u> |

**Code of Virginia Chapter 8, Public School Funds, Article 3**

[§ 22.1-108.](#) Money derived from forest reserve.

All federal funds paid to the Commonwealth arising from the forest reserve shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be distributed and disposed of as provided in this section.

The treasurer of each school division within whose boundaries there is located any land owned by the United States government and held as a forest reserve shall ascertain the area of such land so situated in the school division and the reserve in which the same is located and make a report thereof to the Comptroller. Upon receipt of such information from the treasurer, the Comptroller shall apportion all federal funds arising from such forest reserve among the school divisions in which such forest reserve is located according to the area in each school division. The Comptroller shall keep separate accounts of all federal forest reserve funds received by him.