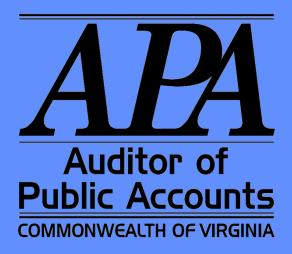
# VIRGINIA NATIONAL DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY

REPORT ON AUDIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2010



# **AUDIT SUMMARY**

Our audit of the Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010, found:

- proper recording and reporting of all transactions, in all material respects, in the accounting system;
- no matters involving internal control and its operations necessary to bring to management's attention; and
- no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws and regulations or other matters that are required to be reported.

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#### AGENCY HIGHLIGHTS

The Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority (Authority) provides technical assistance and coordination of military and national defense activities between the Commonwealth, its political subdivisions, and the United States government. The Authority assists military installations and surrounding communities in addressing the challenges and opportunities resulting from the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Process. The Authority also seeks to work in partnership with the U.S. Department of Defense and local communities to strengthen and expand military operations throughout the Commonwealth.

An 18- member board consisting of 16 citizen members, the Adjunct General of Virginia and the Secretary of Commerce and Trade directs the work of the Authority. The Governor appoints 10 of the citizen members. The Speaker of the House appoints four citizen members and the Senate Rules Committee appoints the remaining two citizen members. The Board has formed three standing committees to guide the Authority's activities.

- The *Strategic Planning Committee* is responsible for developing a strategic plan to sustain and grow the economic impact of the Commonwealth's defense activities. The Committee is also responsible for monitoring defense related state and federal legislation and advocating funding for the Commonwealth's defense activities.
- The Local Coordination, Support and Communication Committee is responsible
  for coordinating and providing advice on the Authority's communications with
  military installations and community leaders throughout the Commonwealth,
  including the content on the Authority's website and newsletter and its use of
  roundtables and site visits.
- The Grant Review and Oversight Committee is responsible for soliciting and reviewing grant applications, making award recommendations to the Governor, and providing oversight of the use of grant funds for the Commonwealth's Military Strategic Response Fund.

#### Military Strategic Response Fund (Fund)

During the 2006 Session, the Virginia General Assembly established the Fund to supplement local funding for projects initiated as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission's (BRAC) recommendations. The Governor and General Assembly approve grants from the Fund. The Secretary of Finance receives General Fund appropriations and makes grant disbursements from the Fund on a reimbursement basis. As noted above, the Authority's Grant Review and Oversight Committee assists in the application process and provides oversight for ensuring the grantee complies with the grant agreement including certifying to the Secretary of Finance that the grantee is requesting reimbursement of eligible expenses.

The General Assembly appropriated \$7.5 million in fiscal year 2009 and \$19.5 million in fiscal year 2010 for BRAC activities. All recipients must complete the grant application and award process and comply with grant award agreements. Each prospective grantee must show that it has funds available to match the Commonwealth's contribution. If the grantee does not comply with the grant agreement, the Commonwealth can withhold reimbursement or rescind the grant.

#### Financial Highlights

Funding for the Authority's activities typically comes through the Virginia Economic Development Partnership (Partnership) in the form of General Fund Appropriations. The Partnership provides all back office administrative support to the Authority including fiscal, human resources, and information technology services. The Partnership also records the Authority's financial activity in its accounting system. In 2010, however, the Authority directly received \$10 million from the General Fund (out of the \$19.8 million identified in the "Military Strategic Response Fund" section above) for the new Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) building. The Authority is allowed to retain and carry forward its unspent appropriation from prior years. A summary of the Authority's revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010 is below.

Analysis of Revenues for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010

			Percentage of Total Revenu	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
General Fund Appropriations				
Provided by the Partnership	\$445,700	\$ 403,317	72%	4%
Provided directly to the Authority	-	10,000,000	-	94%
Carry forward	174,627	186,465	28%	2%
Interest	<del>-</del>	13,179	<del>-</del>	<u>0%</u>
Total revenues	\$620,327	\$10,602,961	100%	100%
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Source: Virginia Economic Development Partnership's Accounting System

Excluding the pass-through payments for 2010, the majority of the Authority's expenses are for personnel, miscellaneous services, and administrative expenses. Miscellaneous services expenses primarily consist of research costs while administrative expenses represent the administrative fees paid to the Economic Development Partnership to provide general bookkeeping and administration. The pass-through payments for 2010 represent disbursements to Arlington County to support meeting the Department of Defense force protection standards for the DARPA building. A breakdown of the Authority's expenses by type for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010 is below.

Analysis of Expenses by Type for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010

			Percentage of Total Expenditures	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Personnel	\$ 348,205	\$ 339,538	80%	8%
Marketing and promotion	105	174	0%	0%
Missions, shows, and events	3,555	2,130	1%	0%
Travel	8,405	4,652	2%	0%
Services	44,955	34,133	10%	1%
Supplies and materials	926	1,594	0%	0%
Pass-through payments	-	3,890,940	0%	90%
Administrative costs	25,000	25,000	6%	1%
Other expenses	2,710	<u>1,546</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>0%</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 433,862</u>	<u>\$4,299,707</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Source: Virginia Economic Development Partnership's Accounting System



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January 27, 2011

The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell Governor of Virginia

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan Chairman, Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission

We have audited the financial records and operations of the **Virginia National Defense Industrial Authority** (Authority) for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010. We conducted this performance audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives. We believe that the evidence obtained provides a reasonable basis for our findings and conclusions based on our audit objectives.

#### **Audit Objectives**

Our audit's primary objectives were to evaluate the accuracy of the Authority's financial transactions in the Virginia Economic Development Partnership's (Partnership) accounting system, review the adequacy of the Authority's internal controls, and test compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

#### Audit Scope and Methodology

The Authority's management has responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal control and complying with applicable laws and regulations. Internal control is a process designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting, effectiveness and efficiency of operations, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

We gained an understanding of the overall internal controls, both automated and manual, sufficient to plan the audit. We considered significance and control risk in determining the nature and extent of our audit procedures. Our review encompassed controls over the following significant cycles, classes of transactions, and account balances.

Revenue

Expenditures (including payroll and pass-through expenses)

We performed audit tests to determine whether the Authority's controls were adequate, had been placed in operation, and were being followed. Our audit also included tests of compliance with provisions of applicable laws and regulations. Our audit procedures included inquiries of appropriate personnel, inspection of documents, records, and contracts, and observation of the Authority's operations. We tested transactions and performed analytical procedures, including budgetary and trend analyses. As the Authority relies on the Partnership's internal control structure, we also reviewed the results of the audit of the Partnership's operations.

#### Conclusions

We found that the Authority's financial transactions were properly recorded and reported, in all material respects, in the Partnership's accounting system. The Partnership records the Authority's financial transactions on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial information presented in this report came directly from the Partnership's accounting system.

We noted no matters involving internal control and its operation that we consider necessary to be reported to management. The results of our tests of compliance with applicable laws and regulations disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

#### Exit Conference and Report Distribution

We discussed this report with management on February 25, 2011.

This report is intended for the information and use of the Governor and General Assembly, management, and the citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia and is a public record.

**AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS** 

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