# National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. and Subsidiary

Butte, Montana

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 30, 2022 and 2021



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To the Board of Directors National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. and Subsidiary Butte, Montana

#### Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) and Subsidiary (collectively NCAT), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as of September 30, 2022 and 2021, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. and Subsidiary as of September 30, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of NCAT and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about NCAT's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

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## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 NCAT's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about NCAT's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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## Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards,* and the schedule of determination of indirect cost rates, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and determination of indirect cost rates are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated 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 February 9, 2023 on our consideration of NCAT'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 solely 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 the effectiveness of NCAT's 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 NCAT's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

KCoe Jeom, LLP

March 13, 2023 Butte, Montana

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SECTION

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION September 30, 2022 and 2021

		2022		<u>2021</u>
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,880,543	\$	1,023,150
Certificates of deposit		-		204,174
Receivables		1,471,271		2,052,945
Prepaid expenses		30,095		28,870
Total current assets		3,381,909		3,309,139
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET		707,868		547,028
OTHER ASSETS				
Deposits and other		76,686		78,555
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	4,166,463	<u>\$</u>	3,934,722
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$	241,207	\$	226,317
Accrued expenses		779,007		656,399
Current portion of long-term debt		24,302		23,237
Deferred revenue		458,779		554,711
Total current liabilities		1,503,295		1,460,664
LONG TERM LIABILITIES				
Long-term debt, net of current portion		45,225		69,53 <u>6</u>
Total liabilities		1,548,520		1,530,200
NET ASSETS				
Without donor restrictions				
Undesignated		2,460,898		2,364,522
Total net assets without donor restrictions		2,460,898		2,364,522
With donor restrictions				
Purpose and time restrictions		157,045		40,000
Total net assets with donor restrictions		157,045		40,000
Total net assets		2,617,943		2,404,522
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$</u>	4,166,463	<u>\$</u>	3,934,722

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES Year ended September 30, 2022

		2022	
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
REVENUE AND SUPPORT			
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS: Contributions:			
Grant revenues	\$ 6,243,602	\$-	\$ 6,243,602
Contributions	62,733	215,000	277,733
In-kind contributions	532,541	-	532,541
Contract revenues	1,100,024	-	1,100,024
Investment income	1,895	-	1,895
Other income	21,976	<u> </u>	21,976
Revenue and support	7,962,771	215,000	8,177,771
Net assets released from restrictions	97,955	(97,955)	<u> </u>
Total revenue and support	8,060,726	117,045	8,177,771
EXPENSES			
PROGRAM SERVICES			
Sustainable Agricultural Programs	6,024,978	-	6,024,978
Sustainable Energy Programs	1,280,136		1,280,136
Total program services	7,305,114	<u>-</u>	7,305,114
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
General and administrative	617,722	-	617,722
Fundraising	41,514		41,514
Total supporting services	659,236		659,236
Total expenses	7,964,350		7,964,350
Change in net assets	96,376	117,045	213,421
Net assets, beginning of year	2,364,522	40,000	2,404,522
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 2,460,898</u>	<u>\$ 157,045</u>	<u>\$    2,617,943</u>

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES Year ended September 30, 2021

		2021	
REVENUE AND SUPPORT	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS:			
Contributions:			
Grant revenues	\$ 5,203,123	\$-	\$ 5,203,123
Contributions	33,045	40,000	73,045
In-kind contributions	241,245	-	241,245
Contract revenues	972,232	-	972,232
Investment income	1,712	-	1,712
Other income	68,853	<u> </u>	68,853
Revenue and support	6,520,210	40,000	6,560,210
Net assets released from restrictions			
Total revenue and support	6,520,210	40,000	6,560,210
EXPENSES			
PROGRAM SERVICES			
Sustainable Agricultural Programs	5,134,492	-	5,134,492
Sustainable Energy Programs	755,529		755,529
Total program services	5,890,021		5,890,021
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
General and administrative	529,105	-	529,105
Fundraising	10,307	-	10,307
Total supporting services	539,412		539,412
Total expenses	6,429,433	<u> </u>	6,429,433
Change in net assets	90,777	40,000	130,777
Net assets, beginning of year	2,273,745	<u> </u>	2,273,745
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$    2,364,522</u>	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$    2,404,522</u>

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year ended September 30, 2022

	Program Services						Supporting Services							
	ļ	ustainable Agriculture Programs		ustainable gy Programs	To	tal Program Services	_	eneral & ninistrative	Fur	ndraising		Supporting Services	Tot	al Expenses
Labor and fringe	\$	3,417,170	\$	819,314	\$	4,236,484	\$	573,906	\$	35,136	\$	609,042	\$	4,845,526
Subcontracts		1,050,218		215,915		1,266,133		26,875		-		26,875		1,293,008
Materials and supplies		1,078,331		149,522		1,227,852		11,500		6,378		17,878		1,245,730
Rent and utilities		179,976		42,217		222,193		-		-		-		222,193
Travel		242,255		44,647		286,902		5,441		-		5,441		292,343
Depreciation		57,028		8,521		65,550								65,550
Total expenses	<u>\$</u>	6,024,978	\$	1,280,136	\$	7,305,114	<u>\$</u>	617,722	\$	41,514	<u>\$</u>	<u>659,236</u>	<u>\$</u>	7,964,350

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES Year ended September 30, 2021

		Program Services					Supporting Services							
	ļ	ustainable Agriculture Programs		stainable gy Programs	To	tal Program Services	_	eneral & ninistrative	Fur	ndraising		l Supporting Services	Tot	al Expenses
Labor and fringe	\$	3,193,307	\$	518,250	\$	3,711,557	\$	493,745	\$	7,498	\$	501,243	\$	4,212,800
Subcontracts		999,757		101,835		1,101,592		2,340		-		2,340		1,103,932
Materials and supplies		651,682		82,899		734,581		32,722		2,809		35,531		770,112
Rent and utilities		164,150		41,038		205,188		-		-		-		205,188
Travel		75,660		4,045		79,705		298		-		298		80,003
Depreciation		49 <u>,936</u>		7,462		57,398		-				_		57,398
Total expenses	<u>\$</u>	5,134,492	<u>\$</u>	755,529	<u>\$</u>	5,890,021	<u>\$</u>	<u>529,105</u>	<u>\$</u>	10,307	\$	<u>539,412</u>	<u>\$</u>	6,429,433

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended September 30, 2022 and 2021

		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Change in net assets	\$	213,421	\$	130,777
Adjustment to reconcile change in net assets				
to cash flows from operating activities:				
Depreciation		65 <i>,</i> 550		57,398
Gain on sale of assets		-		(3,500)
Changes in assets and liabilities				
Receivables		581,674		(456,592)
Prepaid expenses		(1,225)		(6,468)
Deposits and other		1,869		(3,227)
Accounts payable		14,890		(69,784)
Accrued expenses		122,608		86,658
Deferred revenue		<u>(95,932)</u>		273,895
Net cash flows from operating activities		902,855		9,157
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchase of fixed assets		(226,390)		(83,392)
Proceeds from sale of assets		-		3,500
Redemption (purchases) of certificates of deposit		204,174		(508)
Net cash flows from investing activities		(22,216)		(80,400)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from long-term debt		-		98,431
Payments on long-term debt		(23,246)		(5,658)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(23,246)		92,773
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		857,393		21,530
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year		1,023,150		1,001,620
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	<u>\$</u>	1,880,543	<u>\$</u>	1,023,150
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION Interest paid	<u>\$</u>	3,690	<u>\$</u>	2,840

NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES

During 2021, NCAT disposed of \$16,700 of fully depreciated assets.

#### NOTE 1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

The National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. (NCAT) was organized on October 12, 1976, as a nonprofit corporation under the Montana Nonprofit Corporation Act. NCAT owns 100% of New Horizon Technologies, Inc. (NHT) (Subsidiary), a for-profit corporation.

The mission of NCAT and its Subsidiary is to help people by championing small-scale, local, and sustainable solutions to reduce poverty, promote healthy communities, and protect natural resources.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), as codified by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

#### New Accounting Pronouncements

On July 1, 2021, the Foundation adopted the following Accounting Standards Update (ASU):

 ASU No. 2020-07, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958) Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets. The new guidance requires nonprofit entities to present contributed nonfinancial assets as a separate line item in the statement of activities, apart from contributions of cash or other financial assets. The standard also increases the disclosure requirements around contributed nonfinancial assets, including disaggregating by category the types of contributed nonfinancial assets a nonprofit entity has received. Adoption of this new standard did not have a significant impact on the financial statements, with the exception of increased disclosure.

#### **Consolidation Policy**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of NCAT and New Horizon Technologies, Inc., a 100% owned subsidiary (collectively referred to as NCAT). Significant transactions between the entities, including all intercompany balances, have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue on cost-plus contracts is recognized when the right to bill exists as the performance obligation has been met. Current period revenue includes reimbursement of direct and indirect contract costs incurred in full or for partial performance of the contract. Other contracts in progress are accounted for by the percentage-of-completion method (revenues are recognized according to the ratio of costs incurred to estimated total contract costs) or by the pay-for-performance method (revenues are recognized in accordance with the performance contract), where applicable.

For the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, federal government contracts are charged and billed for costs at government approved provisional rates. Some projects are adjusted at year-end to reflect actual costs incurred.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, NCAT considers all cash and investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

NCAT maintains cash balances at various financial institutions. Deposit accounts at each institution are subject to insurance coverage up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). NCAT also maintains repurchase account balances at Glacier Bank totaling \$1,729,245 and \$633,949 at September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively. These amounts are not insured by the FDIC, rather, they are protected under a master repurchase agreement in which there is collateral held by a third party. At September 30, 2022 and 2021, NCAT has no uninsured balances.

#### Receivables

Accounts receivable consist primarily of amounts due from grants and government contracts. The allowance method is used to determine uncollectible amounts. An allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable is provided based on management's estimate, including such factors as prior collection history. Management believes all accounts receivable are fully collectible at September 30, 2022 and 2021. Accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary.

#### **Prepaid Expenses**

Prepaid expenses include amounts paid to vendors for services to be received in future periods.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment are stated at cost, if purchased, or at fair value at the date of the gift, if donated, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Building and Improvements	40 years
Equipment	4–12 years
Vehicles	5 years
Furniture and Fixtures	3-15 years
Software	3 years

NCAT capitalizes property and equipment with a cost greater than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life of three years or more. Repairs and maintenance are expended when incurred and betterments, which are expected to extend an asset's useful life, are capitalized.

NCAT records all gifts of long-lived assets as unrestricted unless the donor states time or purpose restrictions.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Property and Equipment (Continued)**

At the time property and equipment are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and the related accumulated depreciation is adjusted, and any gain or loss on disposal is included in the consolidated statement of changes in net assets. Additionally, NCAT periodically reviews the carrying value of property and equipment and will recognize impairments when the expected future operating cash flow derived from such assets is less than their carrying value.

#### Contributions

Contributions received are recorded as with or without donor restrictions depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. Purpose or time restricted contributions that are received and released from restrictions in the same year are classified as net assets without donor restrictions.

#### **Deferred Revenue**

Deferred revenue represents amounts received, but not earned, on work in process at year end. Deferred revenues consist of private or federal grants and amount to \$458,779 and \$554,711 at September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### **Compensated Absences**

Employees earn sick leave credits from the first full month of regular employment but must normally complete three months of regular employment before they are eligible to use any accrued credits. Regular full-time employees accumulate sick leave at the rate of nine days per year to a maximum of 480 hours. Sick leave is prorated for all employees with less than full-time status. Employees are not reimbursed for accumulated sick leave at termination. Sick leave is expensed as it is used.

Employees accrue vacation from the date of hire. Vacation is accrued based on years of service and is prorated for employees with less than full-time status. Full-time employees may accumulate a maximum of 240 hours of vacation time. Vacation hours are paid to terminated employees and is accrued and expensed on a bimonthly basis.

#### **Classification of Net Assets**

NCAT reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes, as follows:

Net Assets without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in carrying out the mission of the Organization, and include those expendable resources which have been designated for special use by the Organization. The Organization's policy is to record program service contracts and grants as net assets without donor restriction when it is expected the grants and contracts will be expended in the same year.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### **Classification of Net Assets (Continued)**

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Net assets that are subject to donor or certain grantor imposed stipulations. Some donor or grant restrictions are temporary in nature such as those that will be met by passage of time or other events specified by the donor or grantor. Other donor imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that are sources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled or both. The Organization had \$157,045 and \$40,000 of net assets with donor restrictions at September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### **Functional Expenses**

Expenses are charged to each program based on direct expenditures incurred. Any program expenditures not directly chargeable are allocated to a program based on an organization wide indirect cost plan. Accordingly, expenses, such as, depreciation, utilities, and rent are based on direct labor charges and apportioned to each program based on the labor/fringe ratio as calculated by NCAT management. General and administrative costs are allocated based on NCAT's indirect cost rate agreement.

#### **Income Taxes**

NCAT is generally exempt from federal income taxes under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Interest income earned on advances to its subsidiary and personal property rents are subject to unrelated business income tax. NCAT is not a private foundation as classified by the Internal Revenue Service.

NCAT's subsidiary, NHT, is a C-Corporation subject to federal and state income taxes.

NHT accounts for income taxes in accordance with GAAP, which requires the use of the liability method of accounting for income taxes. Accordingly, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Income tax credits are accounted for by the flow-through method, which recognizes the credits as reductions of income tax expense in the year utilized.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP 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 expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 13, 2023, the date which the financial statements were available for issuance.

#### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the September 30, 2021 consolidated financial statements to conform to the September 30, 2022 presentation. Such reclassifications had no effect on the previously reported net assets or change in net assets.

#### NOTE 3. LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

Financial assets available for general expenditure include only those without donor restrictions, excluding board designated net assets or other restrictions limiting their use within one year of the consolidated statement of financial position date. General expenditures include those listed within the management and general classification of the consolidated statements of activities.

The following financial assets are expected to be available to support NCAT in the years ending September 30, 2023 and 2022:

		<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>
Financial assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,880,543	\$	1,023,150
Certificates of deposit		-		204,174
Receivables		1,471,271		2,052,945
Less: grants receivable		(1,156,599)		(1,860,857)
Less: deferred revenue		(458,779 <u>)</u>		(554,711 <u>)</u>
Financial assets available to meet cash needs				
for general expenditures within one year	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,736,436</u>	<u>\$</u>	864,701

As of September 30, 2022 and 2021, NCAT has working capital of \$1,878,614 and \$1,848,475, respectively, and 86 and 58 days cash on hand, respectively. As part of NCAT's liquidity management plan, the Organization has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available for general expenditures, liabilities, and/or obligations as they become due. Grants receivable are excluded from financial assets available for general expenditure as they are generally restricted for specific purposes. NCAT has a committed line of credit in the amount of \$200,000, of which \$200,000 can be drawn upon at September 30, 2022 and 2021.

#### NOTE 4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following at September 30:

		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
Land	\$	30,456	\$	30,456
Buildings and improvements		1,086,873		766,337
Furniture and fixtures		383,682		383,682
Office equipment		160,301		160,301
Computer equipment		172,233		172,233
Software		46,690		46,690
Vehicles		53,428		53,428
Asset under construction		-		94,146
Less accumulated depreciation		<u>(1,225,795)</u>		(1,160,245 <u>)</u>
	<u>\$</u>	707,868	<u>\$</u>	547,028

Depreciation expense was \$65,550 and \$57,398 for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

Equipment purchased with federal funding is expensed if the grant indicates the title is to be held by the grantor. The equipment used by NCAT is below the threshold for NCAT's capitalization policy and therefore not included in the consolidated statements of financial position. Such equipment totaled approximately \$129,364 and \$130,003 for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### NOTE 5. CONCENTRATIONS

During 2022 and 2021, NCAT derived approximately 84% of its revenue from grants with various federal governmental agencies. Additionally, 79% and 91%, respectively, of its accounts receivable relates to grants with the federal government. However, management believes any risks associated with this concentration is mitigated due to the number of grants spread across several federal agencies and departmental programs.

#### NOTE 6. RECEIVABLES

Receivables consist of the following at September 30:

		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>			
Billed receivables	\$	1,424,806	\$	2,007,250			
Other receivables		46,465		45,695			
	<u>\$</u>	1,471,271	<u>\$</u>	2,052,945			

#### NOTE 7. CONTRIBUTED SERVICES

NCAT records various types of in-kind contributions. Contributed services are recognized at fair value if the services received (a) create or enhance long-lived assets or (b) require specialized skills, are provided by individuals possessing those skills, and would typically need to be purchased if not provided by donation. The amounts reflected in the accompanying financial statements as in-kind contributions are offset by like amounts included in expenses or additions to property and equipment. NCAT received contributed rent and professional services of \$532,541 and \$241,245 during the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

					Utilization in program		
Description		2022		2021	/ activities	Donor restrictions	Valuation techinque and inputs
							Estimated value for land rental associated
						No associated	with specific programs based on comparable
Rent	\$	512,911	\$	241,245	Program Support	donor restrictions	rental price in local real estate market
							Contributed services are values and are
					Various administrative		reported at the estimated fair market value in
					and direct project	No associated	the financial statements based on the
Professional Services		19,630		-	support activties	donor restrictions	current rates for similar services
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Total \$ 532,541 \$ 241,245

#### NOTE 8. ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accrued expenses consist of the following at September 30:

	<u>2022</u>			<u>2021</u>		
Accrued payroll taxes and withholding	\$	75,239	\$	63,969		
Accrued wages		176,855		145,287		
Accrued vacation		216,277		188,729		
Profit sharing plan		309,755		255,335		
Other		882		3,079		
	<u>\$</u>	<u>779,007</u>	\$	<u>656,399</u>		

#### NOTE 9. LINE OF CREDIT

At September 30, 2022 and 2021, NCAT had an unused line of credit of \$200,000 with a variable annual interest rate, initially at 5.0%. NCAT did not draw on this line of credit during 2022 or 2021. The line of credit expires March 31, 2023.

#### NOTE 10. LEASE COMMITMENTS

NCAT leases facility space in the following cities:

- Fayetteville, Arkansas with rent expense of \$2,300 per month, effective for five years beginning July 1, 2016 with a cost of living index increase each year; currently effective month-to-month;
- San Antonio, Texas with rent expense of \$1,106 per month, effective month-to-month;
- Davis, California with rent expense of \$1,175 per month, effective month-to-month;
- Jackson, Mississippi with rent expense of \$1,090 per month, effective month-to-month.

All of the office rental space leases are on an annual basis and are contingent on continued federal funding.

During the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, NCAT's total facility rental expense was \$52,241 and \$86,783, respectively.

NCAT also leases equipment under operating leases, with monthly rental expense amounting to \$945. The leases include an escape clause if federal funding is terminated.

During the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, equipment rental expense was \$36,273 and \$30,771, respectively.

#### NOTE 11. INCOME TAXES

NCAT did not incur any significant income tax expense or deferred tax expense or benefit for each of the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021. There were no deferred tax assets or liabilities and no accrued expenses of income tax liability at September 30, 2022 and 2021.

#### NOTE 12. NOTES PAYABLE

NCAT's obligation under notes payable consists of the following:

		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
Note payable to Glacier Bank, due in monthly installments of \$2,245,				
including interest at 4.5% through June 2025; unsecured.	\$	69,527	\$	92,773
Less current portion		(24,302)		(23,237)
Total	<u>\$</u>	45,225	<u>\$</u>	69,536

Interest expense was \$3,690 and \$2,840 for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### NOTE 12. NOTES PAYABLE (CONTINUED)

Aggregate maturities for the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

2023	\$	24,302
2024		25,413
2025		19,812
	<u>\$</u>	69,527

#### NOTE 13. NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Net assets with donor-imposed time or purpose restrictions at September 30, 2022 consist of:

- \$40,000 restricted for the purpose of Climate Actions Solutions That Enhance Local and Lowincome Initiatives in Rural and Distressed places
- \$75,000 for biochar lobbying activities of which \$34,720 was expended during 2022, leaving a balance of \$40,280 in donor restricted net assets
- \$100,000 restricted for the purpose of Grow Montana non-lobbying activities, of which \$47,125 was expended during 2022 having met purpose restrictions, with \$52,875 remaining in donor restricted balance
- \$40,000 for Agri-solar activities, of which \$16,110 was expended during 2022 having met the purpose restrictions, leaving \$23,890 in donor restricted net assets.

During 2022, a total of \$97,955 of donor restricted net assets were released as they were expended for their purpose restrictions.

#### NOTE 14. PROFIT SHARING PLAN

NCAT sponsors a 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan (the Plan) for eligible employees. The Plan permits employee salary reductions for employees who have attained age 21 and have completed at least three months of service.

Employer contributions are allowed for employees who have attained age 21 and have completed at least three months of service or 1000 hours of paid time. An employee must be employed on December 31 to be eligible for employer contribution. Effective January 1, 2018, NCAT established a match of 3% of salary deferred by eligible employees.

NCAT approves discretionary contributions to the profit-sharing plan on a calendar year basis. At September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively, \$381,005 and \$317,667 of employer contributions were expensed in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

#### NOTE 15. INDIRECT COST RATES AND FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF COSTS

NCAT's actual allocated cost rates for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Cost Pool:		
Directly allocated fringe - regular employees	44.00%	44.00%
Allocated direct costs	33.50%	36.00%
Indirect general and administrative (G&A)	9.07%	9.35%

The subsidiary does not use an indirect cost rate.

#### NOTE 16. ROYALTY AGREEMENT

NCAT has entered into a royalty agreement with NHTES, LLC (LLC). NCAT agreed to authorize LLC the right to use the name "New Horizon Technologies Energy Services," the existing logo, and the EnerTel trademark, in consideration of payment of a royalty fee.

LLC agreed to pay NCAT a royalty fee equal to two (2%) percent of LLC's annual cash receipts in excess of \$1,200,000 in a calendar year, provided that the fee shall not exceed \$20,000 in any given year and shall not exceed \$110,000 in the aggregate. For the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 royalty fees received amounted to \$-0-.

#### NOTE 17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Members of the board of directors of NCAT made contributions in the amount of \$5,850 and \$51,750 for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

#### NOTE 18. DEFERRED COMPENSATION

Effective October 2012, NCAT adopted a non-qualified deferred compensation agreement under Section 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions by NCAT are at the discretion of the Board of Directors and are subject to IRS limits. The plan allows for eligible employees to defer a portion of their compensation. Such deferrals accumulate on a tax deferred basis until the employee withdraws the funds upon retirement, termination, or death. Participants are fully vested on contributions made. After 60 days of separation from service, benefits may be paid out in a lump sum or installment payments. There were no contributions during the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021.

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS Year Ended September 30, 2022

Federal Source Pass-through Source			Federal	Passed
Program Title	Award	AL	Funds	Through to
Type of Assistance	Number	Number	Expended	Subrecipients
J.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
Rural Business - Cooperative Service				
Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA)	RD-RB-COOP-21-XX	10.782	\$ 1,915,137	\$
Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA)	RD-RB-COOP-2-XX	10.782	1,030,450	
Subtotal by AL Number			2,945,587	
Farm and School Nutrition Service				
Farm to School	USDA-FNS-F2S-TC-2019-MT-01	10.531	339,798	
Farm and School Nutrition Service				
Passed through Montana Department of Agriculture	FNS-F2S-IMPL-2022-MT-2	10.575	7,133	
Passed through Montana Department of Agriculture	11019	10.575	1,008	
Subtotal by AL Number			8,141	
Agricultural Research Service				
National Ag Law Center Legal Rights	NA	10.001	14,769	
National Ag Law Center Farm Foundations	NA	10.001	13,695	
Subtotal by AL Number			28,464	
Agricultural Marketing Service				
The Common Market Texas	AM180100XXXXG109	10.172	8,477	
AMS FMPP Sustainable Farmer's Market Success	AM200100XXXXG111	10.175	124,934	
Natural Resources Conservation Service				
Hispanic Farmers Conference	NR207442XXXXCO74	10.902	6,554	
Investing in Underserved Farmers	NR223A750003C036	10.902	40,255	
NRCS Soil for Water	NR203A750001C025	10.902	368,701	
Veteran Farmer Training	NA	10.902	22,358	
Latino Farmers Conference	NR299104XXXXC013	10.902	39,153	
Subtotal by AL Number			477,021	
Natural Resources Conservation Service				
CIG Subtropical Soil Health Initiative	69-3A75-17-281	10.912	61,656	
Passed through University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	NR213A750013G034-02	10.912	13,973	
Passed through Piikanii Lodge	NA	10.912	8,403	
Passed through Ridge to Reefs	NA	10.912	1,668	
Subtotal by AL Number			85,700	
Risk Management Agency				
Passed throughUp In Farms, LLC	RMA22CPT0012404	10.460	2,245	
CLBL Develop Orchard Crops	NA	10.170	37,457	
Healthcare Without Harm	NA	10.170	16,321	
MTDA Plant Seeds for Success	21SC07003	10.170	65,359	
Specialty Crop Block Grant	NA	10.170	4,465	
Specialty Crop Block Grant	NA	10.170	14,176	
Subtotal by AL Number		10.170	137,778	

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED) Year Ended September 30, 2022

Pass-through Source			Federal	Passed
Program Title	Award	AL	Funds	Through to
Type of Assistance	Number	Number	Expended	Subrecipients
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED)				
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education				
National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
Passed through University of Georgia	SUB00002335	10.215	41,331	
Passed through University of Georgia	SUB00002302	10.215	31,314	
Passed through University of Georgia	SUB00002607	10.215	41,236	
Passed through University of Georgia	SUB00002653	10.215	181,439	
Passed through University of Georgia	SUB00002935	10.215	2,727	
Passed through Montana State University	G359-20-W7502	10.215	10,753	
Passed through Montana State University	G182-21-W7903	10.215	19,674	
RAFI Disaster Assistance	NA	10.215	17,646	
Passed through University of Texas-Arlington	SUB00002065	10.215	20,770	
Subtotal by AL Number			366,890	
Community Food Projects				
Mississippi Food Justice Fellowship	2018-33800-28394	10.225	161,189	
Supporting a Vibrant Organic Sector	F1 47C 01	10 207	14 204	
Supporting a vibrant Organic Sector	F1476-01	10.307	14,394	
Passed through Community Food & Ag Coalition	NA	10.311	3,034	
Passed through University of Kentucky	2021-70033-35706	10.311	3,884	
Passed through Appalachian State University	A21-0030-S004	10.311	56,154	
National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
NIFA Preparing for Resilient Future	2021-70033-35698	10.311	20,961	
Passed through Alcorn State University	NA	10.311	5,847	
Subtotal by AL Number			89,880	
Community Food and Ag Coalition				
Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive Grants Program				
Double SNAP Project	NA	10.331	11,333	
Double SNAP Project	NA	10.551	11,555	
USDA NIFA AgVets Project	2020-77028-32877	10.334	81,993	
Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran				
Farmers and Ranchers				
Armed to Farm-Connecting Veterans	AO192501X443G016	10.443	221,041	
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education				
National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
Passed through Washington State University	2018-70027-28587	10.500	19,646	
Passed through University of Arkansas	31018-05	10.500	33,942	
Subtotal by AL Number	31018-05	10.500	53,588	
Subtotal by AL Number				
Agriculture and Food Research Initiative				
Passed through Montana State University	G286-22-W9452	10.31	724	
Texas Agorforestry	20-DG-11132540-035	10.664	24,290	
Rural Cooperative Development Grants				
Socially Disadvantaged Groups Grant	NA	10.871	64,333	

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED) Year Ended September 30, 2022

Federal Source Pass-through Source			Federal	Passed
Program Title	Award	AL	Funds	Through to
Type of Assistance	Number	Number	Expended	Subrecipients
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
LIHEAP NEAR	75ACF121P00024	93.568	8,008	
Passed through APPRISE	75N92021P0034	93.568	450,543	
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			458,551	
NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION Vital Communities Project TOTAL NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION	NA	90.601	<u> </u>	
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Environmental Education Grant TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	96881801	66.951	<u>38,715</u> 38,715	:
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Department of Energy Agrisolar Project TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	DE-EE0009372	81.087	<u>429,007</u> 429,007	<u>.</u>
TOTAL FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ -</u>

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS September 30, 2022

#### NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal awards activity of NCAT under programs of the federal government for the year ended September 30, 2022. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of NCAT, it is not intended and does not present the financial position, change in net assets, or cash flows of NCAT.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Schedule has been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting which is the method of accounting used for the consolidated financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following, as applicable, either the cost principles of Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

#### NOTE 3. PROGRAM INCOME

Program income in the amount of \$221,425 nets with related expenditures, therefore decreasing the amount of ATTRA federal expenditures (CFDA #10.350). ATTRA expenditures reported on the SEFA consist of allowable program expenses net of program income received.

#### NOTE 4. INDIRECT COST RATE

NCAT uses its negotiated indirect cost rate agreement and accordingly has elected not to use the 10percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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 National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. Butte, Montana

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 consolidated financial statements of the National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) (NCAT) and subsidiary which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of September 30, 2022, and the related consolidated statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 2023.

#### Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the consolidated financial statements, we considered NCAT'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 consolidated financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of NCAT's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of NCAT'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, 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 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 material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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*

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#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether NCAT's consolidated 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*.

## 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 NCAT's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering NCAT's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

KCoe Jsom, LLP

March 13, 2023 Butte, Montana



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

To the Board of Directors National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. Butte, Montana

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

#### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the National Center for Appropriate Technology's (NCAT) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of NCAT's major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2022. NCAT's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, NCAT, 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 September 30, 2022.

#### Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

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 the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of NCAT and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of NCAT's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for Compliance**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to NCAT's federal programs.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE (Continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on NCAT's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about NCAT's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding NCAT's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of NCAT's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of NCAT's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE (Continued)

## **Report on 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 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 corrected, or 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 of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a control over compliance with a type of compliance of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance is a deficiency.

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.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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 the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

KCoe Jsom, LLP

March 13, 2023 Butte, Montana

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS Year Ended September 30, 2022

#### SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements:		
Type of auditor's report issued:		Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness identified? Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness? Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	No	No ne reported No
<u>Federal Awards:</u> Internal Control over major programs: Material weakness identified? Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered		No
to be material weakness?	No	ne reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:		Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?		No
Identification of major programs:		
Name of Federal Program or Cluster	AL	Number
Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA) Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education		10.782 10.215
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$	750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		Yes

#### SECTION II - FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audit report for the year ended September 30, 2022, reported no findings.

#### SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

The audit disclosed no findings, which were required to be reported under the provisions of the Uniform Guidance for the year ended September 30, 2022.

#### SECTION IV - STATUS OF CORRECTIVE ACTION ON PRIOR FINDINGS

The audit for the year ended September 30, 2021, reported no findings.

**INDIRECT COST AUDIT SECTION** 



To the Board of Directors National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. Butte, Montana

#### Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Determination of Indirect Cost Rates of NCAT

#### Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the National Center for Appropriate Technology, Inc. (NCAT) and Subsidiary for the year ended September 30, 2022 and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 2023.

We have also audited the accompanying Schedule of Determination of Indirect Cost Rates of NCAT for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the Schedule of Determination of Indirect Cost Rates (the Schedule).

In our opinion, the Schedule referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the indirect cost rates of NCAT's cost reimbursable contracts for the year ended September 30, 2022, in conformity with accounting practices prescribed by subparts 42.7 "Indirect Cost Rates" and 42.8 "Disallowance of Costs" of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR).

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the applicable provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), provision subparts 42.7 "Indirect Cost Rates" and 42.8 "Disallowance of Costs," and the terms and conditions of the contracts as criteria to evaluate costs. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule is free of material misstatement.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of NCAT and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 2 to the Schedule, which describes the basis of accounting. The Schedule was prepared by the Company on the basis of accounting prescribed by Part 42 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and certain other federal and state regulations, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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## Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed by Part 42 of the FAR, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the Schedule.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 NCAT's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the Schedule.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal controlrelated matters that we identified during the audit.

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## Restriction on Use

This report is intended solely for the information and use of governance, management of NCAT, its oversight agencies and other grantors and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

KCoe Jsom, LLP

March 13, 2023 Butte, Montana

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. SCHEDULE OF DETERMINATION OF INDIRECT COST RATES Year Ended September 30, 2022

Fiscal Year	Cost Pool	Provisional Rate	Audit Adjustments	Final Rate
2022	Fringe	44.00%	-	44.00%
	Allocated Direct Costs	33.50%	-	33.50%
	Indirect General and Administrative (G&A)	9.07%	-	9.07%

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF DETERMINATION OF INDIRECT COST RATES September 30, 2022

#### NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION

NCAT was organized on October 12, 1976, as a nonprofit corporation under the Montana Nonprofit Corporation Act.

The purpose of NCAT is to help people by championing small-scale, local, and sustainable solutions to reduce poverty, promote healthy communities, and protect natural resources.

#### NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Schedule of Determination of Indirect Cost Rates has been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accounting practices prescribed by subpart 42.7 "Indirect Cost Rates" and 42.8 "Disallowance of Costs" of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR).

#### NOTE 3. PROVISIONAL RATE STRUCTURE

Contracts with the federal government are charged and billed for indirect costs utilizing an approved provisional rate structure. The difference between the approved provisional indirect rates and actual rates is an adjustment in subsequent rate negotiations.

#### NOTE 4. DESCRIPTION OF ALLOCATIONS

Fringe:

- Pool: Includes all fringe labor (vacation, holiday, sick, etc.) and fringe non-labor (insurance, employment related taxes, pension, and other various benefits).
- Base: Total labor (excluding fringe labor) including directly allocated labor, G&A labor, federally unallowed labor and direct project labor.

Fringe is allocated to all labor, except fringe labor. Fringe benefits are identified with salaries and wages and treated as direct costs, as appropriate.

#### Allocated Direct Costs:

Pool: Includes all directly allocated labor (including allocated fringe) and all non-labor directly allocated expenses (rent, computers, utilities, phones, lights, receptionist, supplies and various facility expense).

Base: Total direct project labor (including allocated fringe).

Allocated direct costs are allocated to all direct project labor, including allocated fringe.

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, INC. NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF DETERMINATION OF INDIRECT COST RATES (CONTINUED) September 30, 2022

#### NOTE 4. DESCRIPTION OF ALLOCATIONS (CONTINUED)

Indirect G&A:

- Pool: Includes all G&A labor (including allocated fringe) and non-labor G&A expenses (accounting, payroll, management, auditing, board expense and various other general expenses).
- Base: Total cost input including all direct, indirect and unallowable costs (labor, fringe, directly allocated costs and non-labor).

Indirect G&A is allocated to all direct project labor and direct project non-labor.

In accordance with 2 CFR 200.413 (e), "The costs of certain activities are not allowable as charges to Federal Awards. However, even though these costs are unallowable for purposes of computing charges to Federal awards, they nonetheless must be treated as direct costs for the purposes of determining indirect cost rates and be allocated their share of the organization's indirect costs if they represent activities which (1) include the salaries of personnel, (2) occupancy, space, and (3) benefit from the Organization's indirect costs."