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Dear Ms. Ellis:

We have completed our actuarial analysis of the Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund ("the Fund") for Kentucky's Affordable Prepaid Tuition ("KAPT" or "the Program") as of June 30, 2005. This report presents our findings with respect to the Fund's expected cash flows and adequacy of the Fund in light of assets in the Fund.

The analysis of the funding of the Program was prepared for the KAPT Board for the purpose of assessing the actuarial soundness of the Fund as required by statute. The analyses have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices commonly applicable to similar types of arrangements.

Currently the expected value of liabilities is \$146,868,362 and the value of assets is \$140,244,433 for a difference of \$6,623,928 or 4.5% of liabilities. These results are based on assumptions approved by KAPT personnel after consultation with us.

We appreciate the opportunity to serve the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Any questions about the report should be directed to me at (770) 752-5656.

Very truly yours,

Robert B. Crompton, FSA, MAAA

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The following are the key findings of our analysis.

Status of the Program

The KAPT Fund's liabilities exceed its assets by \$6,623,928, resulting in a deficit. This result is based on the assumption that the Program will not sell any additional contributions.

The deficit is offset by the availability of the Kentucky Abandoned Property Fund as provided in KRS 393.015. Seventy-five percent of the Abandoned Property Fund is available for any unfunded liability of KAPT. As of June 30, 2005, the balance of the Abandoned Property Fund is \$211,647,794.

If the Program continues to sell appropriately priced contracts, then the deficit is projected to be cured in as little as two years, depending on the number of contracts sold. This issue is addressed more fully in the *Effects of Future Contract Sales* section of this report.

Furthermore we note that the results above are based on a single baseline estimate of future experience. When potential volatility is considered, the Program is projected to have a 37% likelihood of at least breaking even. This issue is addressed more fully in the *Monte Carlo Modeling* section of this report.

The table following summarizes results for June 30, 2005:

Value as of June 30, 2005	Assets and Liabilities
Invested Assets & Contract Receivables	\$139,594,846
Other Receivables & Accruals	\$647,071
Fixed Assets	\$2,517
Actuarial Liabilities	<u>\$146,868,362</u>
Actuarial Deficit	<u>(\$6,623,928)</u>
Deficit as a Percent of Liabilities	4.5%

Effect of Premiums on New Enrollment Group

Contracts sold in the enrollment period beginning in 2004 were sold with a premium surcharge of 7.5% over the formula used to determine contract prices. As of June 30, 2005, there were 1,776 active contracts from this enrollment group. We have projected that the financial effect of these additional contracts is:

\$542,127 Surplus.

This result illustrates the effectiveness of appropriate contract pricing – in spite of adverse tuition increases and adverse investment results, these contracts still generated a surplus.

Legislative Changes

On March 19, 2005, HB 267 was signed into law. The pertinent items of this bill affecting the Program are:

- The KAPT Fund must repay \$13,700,100 to the General Fund, and
- The bill prohibits transfers from the Unclaimed Property Fund or the General Fund into the KAPT Fund.

These two provisions of HB 267 are currently under legal dispute, and a temporary injunction has so far prevented the transfer out of the KAPT Fund. Should this transfer ultimately take place, there would be a material effect on the Program’s financial status. The existing deficit would worsen by approximately the amount of this transfer.

Further, it is our understanding that while the General Assembly has repealed KRS 393.015, it cannot prohibit KAPT from accessing the Abandoned Property Fund in the future for any unfunded liabilities owed to current KAPT contract holders. As discussed in *Status of the Program* above, the balance of the Abandoned Property Fund is more than sufficient to meet the program’s unfunded liability.

Key Assumptions

Key economic assumptions are listed below.

Key Assumptions	
Yield on Investments	
All Years	7.76%
Investment returns are before expenses.	

Key Assumptions (Continued...)		
Tuition Inflation		
All Classes of Contracts		
2006/07 - 2011/12	(5 years)	7.50%
2012/13 - 2013/14	(2 years)	7.25%
All years thereafter		7.00%
Expenses		
Initial Expenses		\$840,184
The initial expense is projected to decrease over time as more contracts are sold.		

The tuition inflation assumptions are based on a combination of statistical models of tuition increases and on actuarial judgment. Our statistical models use information from the past 20 years.

II. RELIANCES & COMPLIANCE WITH ACTUARIAL STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

In making the projections on which this report is based, we relied on the following information supplied to me as indicated below.

- Tuition amounts at Kentucky colleges and universities, public and private, supplied by the staff of KAPT
- Program expenses, supplied by the staff of KAPT
- Market value of assets of the Program's trust fund, supplied by the staff of KAPT
- Inventory of KAPT contracts by category, enrollment period, payment method and anticipated matriculation year, supplied by the Program's records administrator, Intuition Solutions, Inc.
- Assumptions regarding future investment returns on the Program's trust fund, supplied by the Program's investment advisor, Evaluation Associates
- Assumptions regarding the Program's anticipated asset allocation, supplied by the Program's investment advisor, Evaluation Associates

There are no actuarial standards of practice that apply specifically to prepaid tuition programs. However, there are two general standards that we believe apply:

- Actuarial Standard of Practice #3 "Actuarial Communications". This standard sets general guidelines for actuarial communications. This report is in compliance with Standard #3.
- Actuarial Standard of Practice #23 "Data Quality". This standard sets guidelines on review of data supplied by a third party. We have performed reasonableness and consistency checks on the data supplied to us by personnel of the Program and by the records administrator, and are in compliance with this standard. Our review of the data was not an audit of the data.

III. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

The Program was created in 2000 by the Kentucky Legislature "to provide access to participating institutions for the qualified beneficiaries and to provide students and their parents' economic protection against rising tuition costs." The Legislature created the Prepaid Tuition Trust Fund in the custody of the state treasurer for administration by a board of directors. "The fund shall consist of payments received from prepaid tuition contracts. Income earned from the investments of the fund shall remain in the fund and be credited to it."

Administration of the Program and board governance now resides with the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

Description of Contracts & Payment Options

There are three types of contracts.

- The Value Plan, which provides in-state tuition at community colleges and technical colleges. Purchasers have the option of buying one year or two years of tuition under the Value Plan.
- The Standard Plan, which provides in-state tuition at any of Kentucky's eight public universities. The price for Standard Plan contracts is based on the most expensive public university. Purchasers have the option of buying from one year's tuition to five years' tuition in one-year increments.
- The Premium Plan, which is designed to cover the cost of average tuition at Kentucky's private colleges and universities. The cost of the Premium Plan contracts is based on the enrollment weighted-average tuition of Kentucky's private colleges and universities and increases at the same rate as tuition increases at the University of Kentucky. Similar to the Standard Plan, purchasers may purchase one year's tuition to five years' tuition in one-year increments.

Contracts are available to students who are at least two years away from initial college enrollment. Benefits can be used at any institution of higher education that is accredited by the U.S. Department of Education anywhere in the country. Benefits paid for out-of-state institutions or graduate schools will not exceed the benefits provided for Kentucky undergraduate benefits described above.

Each contract type has three main types of payment options:

- Lump Sum Payment
- Installment Payments, which come in several varieties:
 - Monthly payments over three years
 - Monthly payments over five years
 - Monthly payments over seven years
 - Monthly payments until the beneficiaries projected year of enrollment

- A combination of a Lump Sum down payment plus Installment Payments, where the installment payments are available in the following options:
 - Monthly payments over three years
 - Monthly payments over five years
 - Monthly payments over seven years

Residency Requirements

There are no residency requirements imposed on the purchasers of KAPT contracts.

KAPT beneficiaries can be either:

- Kentucky residents at the time the application is signed or
- Intend to attend college in Kentucky.

Refunds

For cancellations other than death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship, the purchaser receives a refund of payments minus administrative charges and cancellation fees if the cancellation occurs before July 1 of the projected year of initial college enrollment.

Cancellations for reasons other than death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship that occur on or after July 1 of the projected year of initial college enrollment will receive the tuition payout value of the contract minus administrative and cancellation fees.

If the beneficiary dies, becomes disabled, or receives a scholarship, the purchaser will receive a refund as described immediately above but with no deduction of any administrative or cancellation fees.

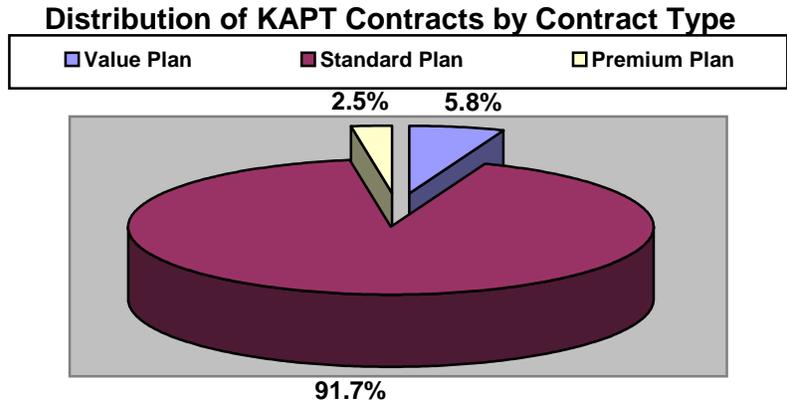
Change of Beneficiary

A contract owner may request a change of beneficiary to a substitute who is a family member of the immediately-preceding beneficiary. Changes in beneficiary for reasons other than death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship of the original beneficiary will be subject to administrative fees.

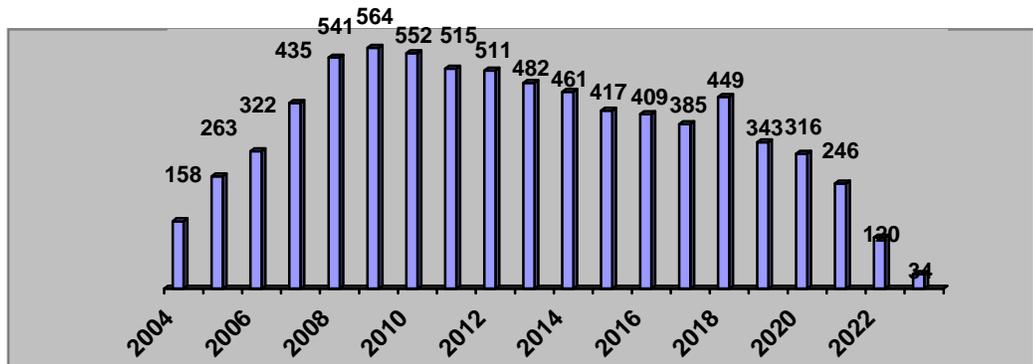
IV. SUMMARY OF CONTRACT DATA AND CURRENT ASSETS

Contract Data

Data on the number of outstanding contracts and payments was provided by the Program’s records administrator, Intuition Solutions, Inc. The graphs below summarize the data provided concerning these KAPT contracts.



Distribution of KAPT Contracts by Year of Initial College Enrollment



Current Assets

The assets currently held by the Fund are an important part of the determination of the actuarial adequacy of the Program. The investment strategy for those assets is also critical to the yield and to the vulnerability of the Program's actuarial adequacy to changes in the return earned on investments.

Fund Investments

The total market value of assets held as of June 30, 2005 is \$106,402,910. The allocation of these assets is shown in the table below.

Market value of cash & invested assets held as of June 30, 2005		
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>% Of Total</u>
Cash	\$ 399,320	0.38%
Corporate Bonds	10,295,290	9.68%
U.S. Treasury and Government Agency Securities	27,425,069	25.77%
Corporate Stock	58,919,151	55.37%
Money Market Securities	<u>9,364,080</u>	<u>8.80%</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$106,402,910</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Investment Strategy

The investment strategy is designed to achieve an investment return in excess of tuition inflation, which will allow KAPT to provide the contractual benefits to KAPT beneficiaries at their anticipated initial year of college enrollment. The Fund's asset allocation has a target allocation by asset category as follows:

- Large Cap U.S. Stocks 45%
- Small/Mid Cap U.S. Stocks 10%
- Non-U.S. Stocks 5%
- Inflation Indexed Bonds 25%
- Corporate Bonds 15%

We note that the current asset allocation is within the ranges allowed by the Program's Investment Policy.

V. ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

Methods

The actuarial method for the determination of the adequacy of the Fund consists of projecting future tuition rates, future expenses based on the average anticipated number of KAPT Contracts in place, and future utilization of KAPT Contracts. Future benefits and expenses are discounted using the assumed investment yield as the interest discount rate. The assumed discount rate is based on the current and anticipated mix of assets of the Fund.

For the projection of future benefits, the analysis proceeds as follows:

- Project future tuition rates for all years under consideration. Future tuition is based on the assumptions for tuition inflation. These assumptions vary by postsecondary school.
- Determine the nominal cost of future use of KAPT contracts based on the assumptions regarding utilization of contracts and the length of time the average beneficiary will take to complete his college education.
- Determine the nominal value of administrative expenses.
- Determine the present value of future contract usage and future expenses based on the investment yield assumptions.
- Perform projections for all of the Program's beneficiaries to determine if the Fund is adequate in the aggregate and make sufficient provision for overhead expenses.

Assumptions

Actuarial assumptions used to determine financial soundness of programs are of two general types: economic and demographic. Demographic assumptions determine the expected exposure to financial claims and generally answer the question "How and when will people use their contract?" Economic assumptions are concerned with the expected level of contract usage and answer the question "What is the expected value of contract usage?" The assumptions that we used were those that were approved by the KAPT Executive Director, after consultation with us.

Economic Assumptions

Economic assumptions are used to estimate the annual tuition rates at two and four year colleges, increases in Fund expenses, and Fund earnings on assets invested. Because inflation is a major component of the rate of increase in tuition rates and of investment returns, we considered these rates together. We believe that the difference in these rates is more important than the absolute level of the rates. The following paragraphs describe the economic assumptions used in this study.

Federal Income Tax

We assumed that Fund earnings are exempt from Federal Income Tax.

Annual Tuition Rates

Tuition increases vary by duration and are shown in the table below. Our assumptions were guided by our observations of historic tuition increases, trends in postsecondary enrollment in Kentucky, and the level of legislative appropriations for postsecondary schools in Kentucky.

Tuition Inflation	
All Classes of Contracts	
2006/07 - 2011/12	7.50%
2012/13 - 2013/14	7.25%
All years thereafter	7.00%

Fund Earnings Rate

Our assumption for investment returns is based on information supplied to us by the Program's investment advisor, Evaluation Associates. Evaluation Associates supplied us with expected asset class returns. The assumption below is gross before expenses and is based on the asset class returns combined with the Program's target allocation ratios.

Investment Returns	
Investment Return for all future years	7.76%

Annual Expenses

We are projecting future expenses to be as shown in the following table.

Expenses	
Investment Expenses	
First \$25,000,000 of assets	0.49%
Next \$25,000,000 of assets	0.28%
Assets in excess of \$50,000,000	0.21%
Administrative Expenses	
Initial Annual Amount	\$840,184
This amount is assumed to decline as the Program grows.	

Demographic Assumptions

The demographic assumptions used in this report are based on our experience with similar types of liabilities. Our choice of assumptions is based on recent experience and our best estimates as to future events. These assumptions are as follows:

Contract Cancellations Due To Mortality and Disability

We assumed no contract terminations due to death or disability.

Other Contract Cancellations

We assumed that contracts would cancel according to the tables given below.

Contract Cancellation Table 1 of 2			
		36 Monthly	60 Monthly
Type of Payment=>	Lump Sum	Payments	Payments
Year of purchase	1.50%	3.00%	5.00%
Year of purchase+1	1.00%	2.00%	4.00%
Year of purchase+2	0.75%	1.00%	3.00%
Year of purchase+3	0.75%	1.00%	2.00%
Year of purchase+4	0.50%	0.75%	1.00%
Thereafter	0.50%	0.75%	0.75%

Contract Cancellation Table 2 of 2			
Type of Payment=>	84 Monthly Payments	Extended Payments	Custom Payments
Year of purchase	6.00%	8.00%	8.00%
Year of purchase+1	4.00%	7.00%	7.00%
Year of purchase+2	3.00%	5.00%	5.00%
Year of purchase+3	2.00%	4.00%	4.00%
Year of purchase+4	1.00%	3.00%	3.00%
Year of purchase+5	1.00%	2.00%	2.00%
Year of purchase+6	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Thereafter	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%

Matriculation Percent

All beneficiaries are assumed to matriculate at the matriculation date specified in the application, except for those who are projected to terminate, die, or become disabled.

Utilization of Benefits

We assume that beneficiaries will enroll in college at the date indicated as their anticipated matriculation date. We also assume that beneficiaries will use one year's worth of benefits over the course of only one academic year. That is, a 4-year contract will use all benefits over four academic years.

Within an academic year, contract usage is assumed to be 50% for the fall semester, 50% for the spring semester and none for the summer semester.

We believe these assumptions are slightly conservative since the alternate assumption is to assume that beneficiaries use their benefits more slowly. This slowdown in utilization would be beneficial to the Program since the anticipated Fund earnings rate will exceed the tuition increase rate after the first five years of the projection.

Dropout Rate

All beneficiaries are assumed to use 100% of their contractual benefits once they have enrolled in college.

Frequency of Beneficiary Replacement

Since all surviving beneficiaries are expected to matriculate and are expected to use their KAPT contracts until completion, the assumption is made that no replacement of beneficiaries will occur.

VI. STATUS OF THE FUND AS OF JUNE 30, 2005

In determining the status of the Fund, we estimated the future disbursements for higher education expenses of beneficiaries, expenses, and refunds for terminated contracts. We also projected the future assets based on current assets and expected earnings on assets. We believe these estimates are reasonable based on the information available and our past experience and judgment.

The estimates of the prospective assets and liabilities of the Fund are summarized in the table on the following page and demonstrate the financial position of the Fund. The value of all assets is \$140,244,433 while the expected value of the actuarial liabilities is \$146,868,362. The resulting actuarial deficit is \$6,623,928.

The actuarial deficit will change from year to year due to positive and negative cash flows and due to the change in the present value of future contract usage and expense payments because of the passage of time. The actuarial deficit will also change due to the variance of experience from the assumptions. These variances include tuition increases, investment income, and expenses.

The deficit will also change due to the growth of the program and due to the updating of the assumptions to reflect the Program's emerging experience. The changes for the year ending June 30, 2005 are summarized in the table below.

Progression of Deficit	
Deficit at June 30, 2004	(\$ 13,700,051)
Projected Increase to June 30, 2005 ¹	(807,756)
Loss due to Unfavorable Tuition Inflation	(4,554,184)
Loss due to Unfavorable Investment Experience	(554,839)
Gain due to Additional Contract Sales	542,127
Changes due to Change In Assumptions	(1,249,324)
Transfer from Unclaimed Property Fund	13,700,100
Deficit at June 30, 2005	(\$ 6,623,928)

¹ The projected increase represents interest on the beginning deficit amount, plus some additional amounts due to the change in the non-level tuition inflation assumptions.

In the following chart we show the value of expected future contract usage, expected future payments, current assets, and expected deficit as of the end of each future year for active contracts as of June 30, 2005. We note that the Fund is projected to have sufficient money to pay benefits until Fiscal 2024 - that is, for a period of 18 years.

PRESENT VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Fiscal Year Ending	Cash & Invested Assets	Actuarial Value Of Future Revenues	Actuarial Value Of Future Benefits And Expenses	Actuarial Deficit
2005	106,402,910	33,841,524	146,868,362	(6,623,928)
2006	119,728,420	26,294,078	152,804,386	(6,781,887)
2007	130,536,425	20,491,209	157,979,078	(6,951,444)
2008	138,364,895	15,677,786	161,157,011	(7,114,330)
2009	142,463,966	11,804,830	161,546,258	(7,277,462)
2010	142,683,663	9,021,452	159,154,079	(7,448,964)
2011	139,920,186	7,050,508	154,608,065	(7,637,370)
2012	134,782,574	5,440,787	148,073,110	(7,849,748)
2013	127,721,405	4,343,022	140,157,315	(8,092,888)
2014	119,821,994	3,389,807	131,584,095	(8,372,293)
2015	110,948,109	2,572,306	122,213,225	(8,692,811)
2016	101,278,982	1,871,569	112,210,159	(9,059,608)
2017	90,729,633	1,266,400	101,474,205	(9,478,171)
2018	78,914,256	775,540	89,644,653	(9,954,857)
2019	65,081,872	430,553	76,010,208	(10,497,783)
2020	49,923,321	180,489	61,222,242	(11,118,432)
2021	33,769,618	51,792	45,655,609	(11,834,200)
2022	17,612,303	8,546	30,295,632	(12,674,783)
2023	4,218,888	- 0 -	17,865,866	(13,646,978)
2024	(5,838,553)	- 0 -	8,867,431	(14,705,984)
2025	(12,567,010)	- 0 -	3,280,158	(15,847,168)
2026	(16,247,077)	- 0 -	829,832	(17,076,908)
2027	(18,356,414)	- 0 -	44,292	(17,837,864)
2028	(19,102,738)	- 0 -	- 0 -	(19,102,738)

VII. EFFECT OF FUTURE CONTRACT SALES

We have considered the effect of future contract sales on the existing Fund deficit. Our analysis assumes that contract sales resume for the 2006/07 enrollment period with contract payments beginning in February 2007. We have assumed that the premium surcharge of 7.5%, which was implemented for the 2004/05 enrollment period, is retained. We examined three different levels of contract sales: 1,000 contracts each year; 2,000 contracts each year and 3,000 contracts each year.

The number of future consecutive enrollment periods required to generate sufficient surplus to cure the existing deficit is shown in the table below.

Contracts Sold	Enrollment Periods Required to Cure Deficit
1,000	5
2,000	3
3,000	2

VIII. SENSITIVITY TESTING

We believe that when there is a significant amount of uncertainty about conditions prevailing in the future it is important to test for adequacy under other possible assumptions.

We investigated the effect of variances in both university inflation and investment yield assumptions from those anticipated by the adequacy test assumptions. For these projections, we assumed no future contributions. These scenarios are described below. These scenarios are based on level adjustments to the baseline adequacy assumptions discussed earlier in this report.

- 1) Tuition inflation lower than adequacy test assumptions by 0.25% every year.
- 2) Tuition inflation higher than adequacy test assumptions by 0.25% every year.
- 3) Investment yields higher than adequacy test assumptions by 0.25% every year.
- 4) Investment yields lower than adequacy test assumptions by 0.25% every year.
- 5) Tuition inflation higher and investment yields lower than adequacy test assumptions by 0.25% every year.

The deficit for each of these scenarios is shown below.

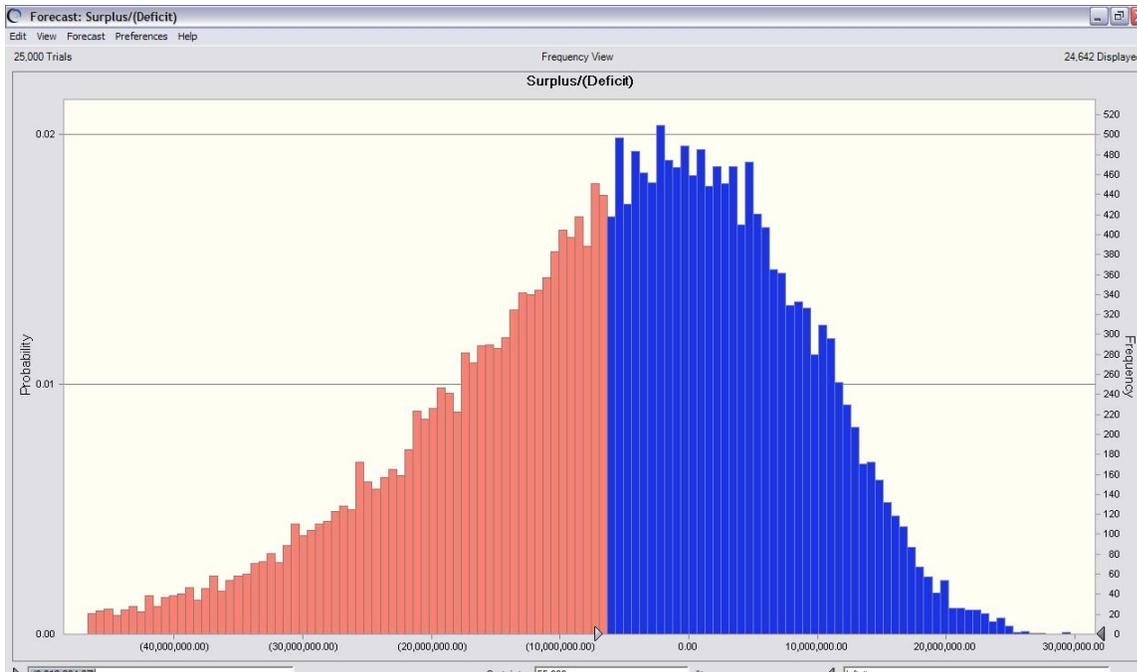
Sensitivity Testing Results		
<u>Scenario</u>	<u>Deficit</u>	<u>Change From Reported</u>
1	(\$3,948,003)	\$2,675,925
2	(\$9,369,882)	(\$2,745,954)
3	(\$4,029,258)	\$2,594,670
4	(\$9,300,785)	(\$2,676,857)
5	(\$12,126,974)	(\$5,503,046)

IX. MONTE CARLO ANALYSIS

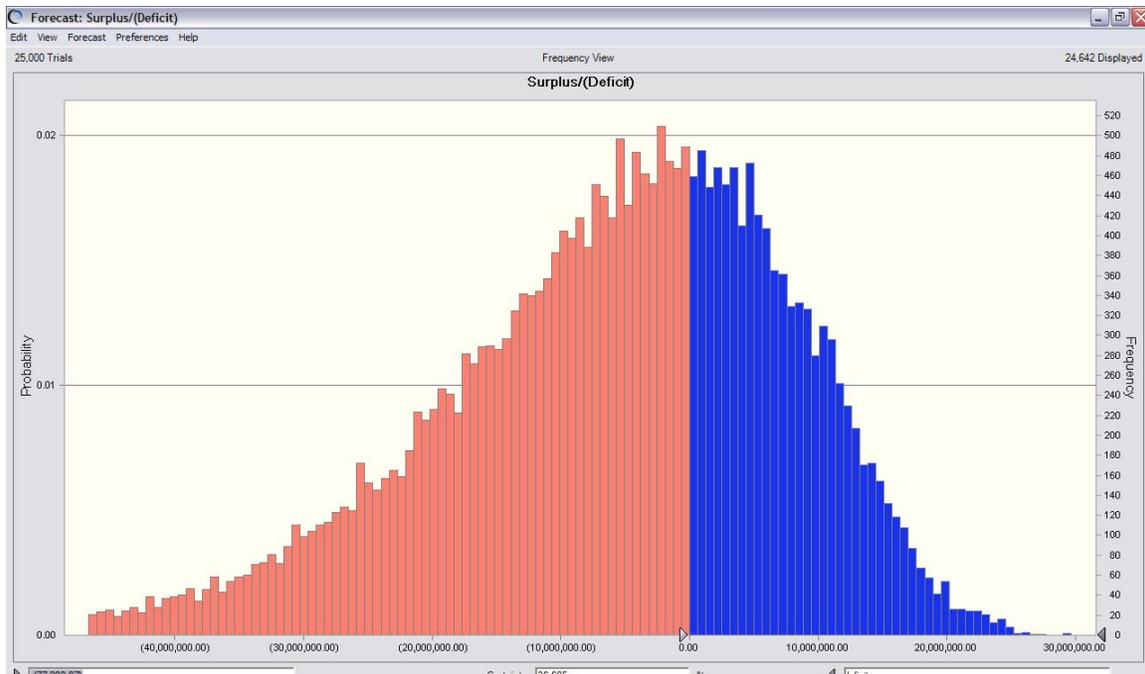
We believe that when there is a significant amount of uncertainty about conditions prevailing in the future it is important to test for adequacy under other possible assumptions.

We have performed Monte Carlo analysis of the Program as of June 30, 2005 in order to gain a better understanding of the likelihood of various results. Monte Carlo analysis involves a large number (25,000 in this case) of statistically generated scenarios based on the statistical parameters of investment returns and tuition inflation. Monte Carlo analysis provides information on how likely it is that the Program will not have a deficit based on current contracts. The results of both bases are shown in the table and graphically in the charts below.

Proportion of Projections with Surplus	37%	
25% of results are better than	\$3,245,805	Surplus
50% of results are better than	(\$4,510,898)	Deficit
75% of results are better than	(\$15,474,088)	Deficit
Best Result	\$30,001,910	Surplus
Worst Result	(\$95,868,587)	Deficit
Mean Result	(\$6,453,721)	Deficit



Reported Deficit \$6,623,928: 56% of the Monte Carlo projections are better than this result.



Break-even: 37% of the Monte Carlo projections are better than break-even.

The most important measures from the table immediately above are the *Proportion of Projections with Surplus* and the *50% of Results are better than* amounts. The *Proportion of Projections with Surplus* of 37% indicates that there is slightly better than a 1/3 likelihood that the Program will have a surplus.

The *50% of Results are better than* amount measure is a “best-estimate” measure of results. If my assumptions are neither conservative (that is they understate results) nor aggressive (that is they overstate results) then the *50% of Results are better than* measure should be close to our projected result. The table above indicates that our assumptions are somewhat conservative since the results of the Monte Carlo analysis are about \$2.1 million better than my projection.

The *Worst Result* measure indicates what happens if economic events continue adversely for the lifetime of the current contracts – continued high tuition increases coupled with negative returns in the equity market until the end of the projection horizon.

X. CHANGES IN ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

We made two changes to the assumptions used in projecting the actuarial deficit. These assumptions changes are, in aggregate, conservative – that is, they cause the deficit to be larger than it would have been without these changes. These changes are discussed below.

Changes in Expenses

We updated the assumption for aggregate expenses to reflect the current budget of the program as shown below.

Current Assumption	Prior Assumption
\$840,184	\$742,700

Change in Tuition Inflation

We revised the tuition inflation assumptions to better reflect our long-term view of what tuition increases will be.

Current Assumption	Prior Assumption
7.50% through 2011/12	7.50% through 2010/11
7.25% through 2013/14	7.00% thereafter
7.00% thereafter	

Dollar Effect of Change in Assumptions

If assumptions had been the same as last year, the Program's deficit would have been:

(\$5,374,604)

These two changes increased the deficit by \$1,249,324. The effect of the inflation assumption change by itself was to increase the deficit by \$894,290, while the effect of the expense assumption change by itself was to increase the deficit by \$355,035.

XI. EXPECTED USE OF FUNDS

The Fund, which is comprised of contributions, fees, all interest and earnings, and any other money appropriated or made available to KAPT, is expected to pay benefits and expenses in the following proportions:

- Tuition payments - 92.4%
- Expenses and repayment of the initial legislative appropriation - 4.3%
- Payments of refunds to contract owners - 3.3%

These results are shown graphically below.

