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The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell  
Governor of Virginia  
Patrick Henry Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
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The Honorable Walter Stosch  
Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
General Assembly Building, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable Lacey E. Putney  
Chair, House Appropriations Committee  
General Assembly Building, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Dear Governor McDonnell, Senator Stosch and Delegate Putney:

I am pleased to submit the *Recommended Technology Investment Projects (RTIP) Report for 2012*, which is due each September 1 as required by the *Code of Virginia* § 2.2-2007 (A)(10). As required by statute, the RTIP report contains prioritized recommendations for technology investments (projects), projected costs of operations and maintenance activities for each project, and trends in projected information technology (IT) spending by state agencies

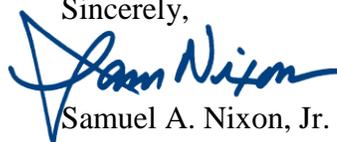
This year marks the tenth annual submission of the RTIP Report. During the past decade over \$2.3 billion in IT projects have been reviewed, approved, and reported as part of the RTIP process. In developing this year's report, only projects supported by a strong business case, based on established selection and ranking criteria, were considered as priorities for funding. Our selection and ranking criteria gave significant weight to the Commonwealth's strategic goals and objectives as established by the Governor and the Council on Virginia's Future. In addition, the current report also takes into account the technology business plan which was adopted by the Information Technology Advisory Council.

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This year's report recommends that funding be provided for 23 new projects, with an estimated cost of \$218,600,172. These projects have been selected by the Secretary of Technology into the Commonwealth Technology Portfolio as required by § 2.2-225(11) of the *Code of Virginia*. In addition, 25 active projects, with an estimated cost of \$259,254,706, are recommended for continued funding. Details of the projects can be found in appendices A and B of the accompanying report. The report also presents an update on last year's key recommendations and actions, along with this year's recommendations, and summarizes changes to the Commonwealth Technology Portfolio since the publication of the 2011 RTIP report. Finally, the report documents a major shift in project oversight and governance over the past two years with the implementation of Program Management offices.

Moving forward, top priority will continue to be given to systems or projects in the Commonwealth Technology Portfolio that will provide better service, save dollars, or generate revenue.

I welcome any assistance that the Governor and General Assembly can provide to ensure the RTIP Report remains a valuable reference for Commonwealth IT investment decisions.

Sincerely,  
  
Samuel A. Nixon, Jr.

Enclosure

c: The Honorable James D. Duffey, Jr., Secretary of Technology