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Teachers' Retirement Board  
California State Teachers' Retirement System

**Re: Cash Balance Benefit Program  
Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2008**

Dear Members of the Board:

At your request, we have performed an actuarial valuation of the Cash Balance Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan as of June 30, 2008. Details about the actuarial valuation are contained in the following report.

In preparing the valuation report, we relied without audit on information furnished by CalSTRS. Although we did not audit this data, we compared the data for this and the prior valuation and tested for reasonableness. Based on these tests, we believe the data to be sufficiently accurate for the purposes of our calculations. Since the valuation results are dependent on the integrity of the data supplied, the results can be expected to differ if the underlying data is incomplete or missing. It should be noted that if any data or other information is inaccurate or incomplete, our calculations may need to be revised.

The findings have been determined according to actuarial assumptions and methods that were chosen on the basis of recent experience of the CBB Program and of current expectations concerning future economic conditions. In our opinion, the assumptions used in the actuarial valuation are appropriate for purposes of the valuation, are internally consistent, and reflect reasonable expectations. The assumptions represent our best estimate of future conditions affecting the CBB Program. The Teachers' Retirement Board has sole authority to determine the actuarial assumptions and methods used for the valuation of the CBB Program. The Board adopted all of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in the 2008 valuation.

Future actuarial measurements of the CBB Program will vary from those presented in this report due to such factors as the following: actual experience differs from that projected by the assumptions, actuarial assumptions are revised in the future, or changes are made to the benefit or contribution provisions in the applicable law. Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements.

We certify that the information included in this report is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. All calculations have been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices that are consistent with the applicable Standards of Practice adopted by the American Academy of Actuaries.

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I, Mark Olleman, am a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

I, Nick Collier, am a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and an Associate of the Society of Actuaries, and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Respectfully submitted,



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## Cash Balance Benefit Program - 2008 Actuarial Valuation

### SECTION 1

#### SUMMARY OF THE FINDINGS

The Cash Balance Benefit (CBB) Program was established on July 1, 1996 (as the CB Plan). The number of participants has increased over the years, as shown below.

Date of Valuation	Total Number of Non-retired Participants	Accumulated Account Balances
June 30, 2004	18,201	\$ 41,972,042
June 30, 2005	19,919	51,728,731
June 30, 2006	21,970	62,018,487
June 30, 2007	24,115	76,120,285
June 30, 2008	26,664	97,802,319

The Actuarial Value of Assets for this valuation is the Fair Market Value as certified to us by CalSTRS. The actual return for the year, as measured using uniform cash flow throughout the year, was about -7.1% net of investment and administrative expenses.

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	Year Ended June 30, 2008	Year Ended June 30, 2007
<b>Additions</b>		
Contributions	\$ 14,418	\$ 11,884
Earnings	<u>(6,995)</u>	<u>14,092</u>
Total Additions	\$ 7,423	\$ 25,976
<b>Deductions</b>		
Benefits	\$ 1,661	\$ 1,548
Expenses	<u>52</u>	<u>44</u>
Total Deductions	\$ 1,713	\$ 1,592
<b>Net Increase (Decrease)</b>	\$ 5,710	\$ 24,384
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Beginning of Year	\$ 93,182	\$ 68,797
Accounting Adjustments		1
Net Increase (Decrease)	<u>5,710</u>	<u>24,384</u>
End of Year	\$ 98,892	\$ 93,182
<b>Estimated Net Rate of Return</b>	-7.1%	19.0%

The CBB Program continues to have an Actuarial Surplus. As of June 30, 2008 the Actuarial Value of Assets of the CBB Program exceeded the Actuarial Obligation by \$861,000. If the experience had emerged as assumed, the Actuarial Surplus was expected to grow from \$13,300,000 to \$14,331,000. The difference between the actual and expected Actuarial Surplus is the actuarial gain or loss for the year.

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- There was an actuarial loss of \$14,763,000 due to the actual investment return being less than the assumed long-term return of 7.75%, and
- There was an actuarial gain of \$1,293,000 due primarily to the current year interest credits being less than 7.75% during the year. The Minimum Interest Rate for 2007-08 was 5.25%.
- The net actuarial loss was \$13,470,000 which brought the Funded Ratio to 100.88%.

The valuation results are based on the June 30, 2008 fair market value of assets. This value does not reflect the any investment losses that have occurred since that date which have been significant. These losses will likely cause a material increase in the Unfunded Actuarial Obligation as of June 30, 2009 and a decrease in the Funded Ratio.

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
<b>Actuarial Balance Sheet</b>		
Actuarial Obligation	\$ 98,031	\$ 76,303
Actuarial Value of Assets	<u>98,892</u>	<u>93,182</u>
Unfunded Actuarial Obligation (Surplus)	\$ (861)	\$(16,879)
Additional Earnings Credit	0	3,571
Additional Annuity Credit	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>
Final Unfunded Actuarial Obligation or (Actuarial Surplus)	(861)	(13,300)
<b>Funded Ratio</b>		
<b>Before Add'l Credits</b>	<b>100.88%</b>	<b>122.12%</b>
<b>After Add'l Credits</b>	<b>100.88%</b>	<b>116.65</b>
(Assets ÷ Actuarial Obligation)		
<b>Actuarial (Gain) or Loss</b>		
Investment Return on Assets	\$ 14,763	\$ (8,132)
Interest Credits on Accounts	<u>(1,293)</u>	<u>(2,367)</u>
Actuarial (Gain) or Loss	\$ 13,470	\$(10,498)
Expected UAO at End of Year	<u>(14,331)</u>	<u>(6,381)</u>
Unfunded Actuarial Obligation (Surplus)	\$ (861)	\$(16,879)
<i>* To be determined by the Teachers' Retirement Board on June 5, 2009.</i>		

The Board established a Policy on June 9, 2006 that was effective for the Additional Earnings Credit and Additional Annuity Credit decisions beginning in 2006.

The Board's Policy calls for a two-step determination of the allocation as shown in detail in this report. Based on the Board's Policy, we recommended that no Additional

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Earnings Credit or Additional Annuity Credit be granted as of June 30, 2008. The Board adopted this recommendation.

The following chart shows a ten-year history of prior Board actions.

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>			
<b>Valuation Date</b>	<b>Available Reserves and Unallocated Gains (Losses)</b>	<b>Additional Earnings Credit Adopted</b>	<b>Final Gain and Loss Reserve</b>
June 30, 1998	\$ 355	\$ 9	\$ 346
June 30, 1999	223	58	165
June 30, 2000	517	0	517
June 30, 2001	(1,170)	0	(1,170)
June 30, 2002	(3,332)	0	(3,332)
June 30, 2003	(3,874)	0	(3,874)
June 30, 2004	250	0	250
June 30, 2005	2,137	0	2,137
June 30, 2006	6,641	733	5,908
June 30, 2007	16,879	3,579	13,300
June 30, 2008	861	0	861

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### Section 2

#### Actuarial Certification

The major findings of the 2008 Actuarial Valuation are contained in this report. This report reflects the benefit provisions and contribution rates in effect as of the valuation date. To the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and contains sufficient information to fully and fairly disclose the funded condition of the Cash Balance Benefit Program as of June 30, 2008.

In preparing the valuation report, we relied without audit on information furnished by CalSTRS. Although we did not audit this data, we compared the data for this and the prior valuation and tested for reasonableness. Based on these tests, we believe the data to be sufficiently accurate for the purposes of our calculations. Since the valuation results are dependent on the integrity of the data supplied, the results can be expected to differ if the underlying data is incomplete or missing. It should be noted that if any data or other information is inaccurate or incomplete, our calculations may need to be revised.

The findings have been determined according to actuarial assumptions and methods that were chosen on the basis of recent experience of the CBB Program and of current expectations concerning future economic conditions. In our opinion, the assumptions used in the actuarial valuation are appropriate for purposes of the valuation, are internally consistent, and reflect reasonable expectations. The assumptions represent our best estimate of future conditions affecting the CBB Program. The Teachers' Retirement Board has sole authority to determine the actuarial assumptions and methods used for the valuation of the CBB Program. The Board adopted all of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in the 2008 valuation.

Future actuarial measurements of the CBB Program will vary from those presented in this report due to such factors as the following: actual experience differs from that projected by the assumptions, actuarial assumptions are revised in the future, or changes are made to the benefit or contribution provisions in the applicable law. Due to the limited scope of our assignment, we did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements.

On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices which are consistent with Actuarial Standards of Practice promulgated by the Actuarial Standards Board and applicable Guides to Professional Conduct, amplifying Opinions, and supporting Recommendations of the American Academy of Actuaries.

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### SECTION 3

#### FINDINGS OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUATION

An actuarial valuation is performed as of June 30 of each year, the last day of the Program's plan year. The primary purpose of the valuation is to determine the financial condition of the CBB Program through the measurement of the Gain and Loss Reserve. We also describe recent changes in the Program's financial condition and provide certain disclosure information in accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 25.

The findings have been determined according to actuarial assumptions that were adopted on the basis of recent experience and current expectations of future experience. In our opinion, the assumptions used in the valuation are reasonably related to the past experience of the CBB Program and represent our best estimate of future conditions affecting the Program. Nevertheless, the emerging costs of the Program will vary from those presented in this report to the extent that actual experience differs from that projected by the actuarial assumptions.

#### ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS

The Actuarial Value of Assets for this valuation is the Fair Market Value as reported by CalSTRS. A Statement of Program Assets for the last two plan years is shown in **TABLE 1**, and the Statement of Change in Program Assets is shown in **TABLE 2**.

The investment return for 2007-08 was calculated to be -7.1% net of all investment and administrative expenses, and assuming uniform cash flow throughout the year. This is an estimate only for the purpose of comparing investment experience from one year to the next and differs from information provided by your investment advisors.

#### ACTUARIAL BALANCE SHEET

Under the Traditional Unit Credit Actuarial Cost Method, when the assumed investment return is equal to the assumed interest crediting rate, the Normal Cost is equal to the contributions made during the year and the Actuarial Obligation is equivalent to the current sum of the Participants' Account Balances plus a reserve for current annuity payments. **TABLE 3** shows the Actuarial Obligation for this and the prior valuation.

For the purpose of this valuation, the account information was provided to us by CalSTRS. We checked the information for reasonableness by reviewing the individual participant records supplied to us. We independently calculated the value of the annuitized benefits.

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The excess of the Actuarial Obligation over the Actuarial Value of Assets is called the Unfunded Actuarial Obligation. If the Actuarial Value of Assets exceeds the Actuarial Obligation, the difference is called the Actuarial Surplus.

If all experience emerged as assumed every year, the CBB Program would have an Actuarial Surplus at the end of each year before any Additional Earnings Credit or Additional Annuity Credits. This is because the Minimum Interest Rate is less than the assumed earnings rate. In order to retain an Actuarial Surplus, the investment returns over a long period of time must exceed the combination of the Minimum Interest Rates, the Additional Earnings Credits, and the Additional Annuity Credits.

Although we expect this to be the case, investment performance for several prior years was below the long-term assumption.

### **ACTUARIAL GAINS AND LOSSES**

The Minimum Interest Rate for the year ending on the valuation date was 5.25%. Since the assumed total earnings rate is 7.75% per year, the increase in the Actuarial Obligation was less than expected. The total actuarial gain on the Actuarial Obligation was \$1,293,000.

The assumed earnings rate on the invested assets is 7.75% per year. The actual return for the year was about -7.1% (net of investment and administrative expenses and assuming uniform cash flow through the year, which is slightly different than how interest is actually posted), which produced an investment loss of \$14,763,000.

The total actuarial loss due to all causes was \$13,470,000 as shown in **TABLE 4**.

### **GAIN AND LOSS RESERVE**

**TABLE 5** shows the derivation of the Gain and Loss Reserve. After each actuarial valuation, the Teachers' Retirement Board decides on the adjustment to the prior year's Gain and Loss Reserve and the Additional Earnings Credit, if any.

On June 5, 2009, the Teachers' Retirement Board allocated the unallocated loss to funding. None of the current Gain and Loss Reserve will be used for Additional Earnings Credits or Additional Annuity Credits.

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### ADDITIONAL CREDITS BASED ON BOARD POLICY

Based on the Board's Policy, we recommended that no Additional Earnings Credit or Additional Annuity Credit be granted as of June 30, 2008. This recommendation was adopted by the Board.

The Board's Policy calls for a two-step determination of the allocation.

- The first step in the process allocates the excess of the Actuarial Surplus over twice the Minimum Interest Rate in the year after the valuation date, but limited by the long-term assumed rate of earnings.

#### First Allocation

Long-term Net Investment Return	7.75%
Minimum Interest Rate (year prior to valuation)	<u>5.25</u>
Maximum Available in First Allocation (1)	2.50%
Actuarial Surplus	0.88%
First Threshold (2008-09 MIR x 2)	<u>10.00</u>
Actuarial Surplus in excess of First Threshold (2)	0.00%
<b>First Allocation (lesser of (1) and (2))</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

- The second step is not necessary this year.

Details of the calculation are shown in **TABLE 6**.

### Accounting Disclosures

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued statements that describe the information to be disclosed in the System's financial reports. The required actuarial disclosures are shown in **TABLES 7, 8, AND 9**.

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**TABLE 1**  
**STATEMENT OF PROGRAM ASSETS**

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
<b>Invested Assets</b>		
Short-term investments	\$ (590)	\$ 111
Pooled Domestic Securities	24,632	22,875
Pooled Domestic Equity	<u>74,269</u>	<u>69,319</u>
Total Investments	\$ 98,311	\$ 92,305
<b>Receivables</b>	602	909
<b>Liabilities</b>	<u>(21)</u>	<u>(32)</u>
<b>Fair Market Value of Net Assets</b>	\$ 98,892	\$ 93,132

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**TABLE 2**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN PROGRAM ASSETS**

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	<b>Year Ended June 30, 2008</b>	<b>Year Ended June 30, 2007</b>
<b>Additions</b>		
Contributions		
Participants	\$ 6,921	\$ 5,953
Employers	<u>7,497</u>	<u>5,931</u>
Total Contributions	14,418	11,884
Net Earnings	<u>(6,995)</u>	<u>14,092</u>
Total Additions	\$ 7,423	\$ 25,976
<b>Deductions</b>		
Benefit Payments		
Retirement, death, and survivor	\$ 1,053	\$ 884
Refunds of Participant contributions	<u>608</u>	<u>664</u>
Total Benefits	1,661	1,548
Expenses	<u>52</u>	<u>44</u>
Total Deductions	\$ 1,713	\$ 1,592
<b>Net Increase (Decrease)</b>	\$ 5,710	\$ 24,384
<b>Fair Market Value of Net Assets</b>		
Beginning of Year	\$ 93,182	\$ 68,797
Accounting Adjustments	0	1
Net Increase (Decrease)	<u>5,710</u>	<u>24,384</u>
<b>End of Year</b>	\$ 98,892	\$ 93,182
<b>Estimated Net Rate of Return</b>	(7.1)%	19.0%
assuming uniform cash flow through the year net of investment and administrative expenses		

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**TABLE 3  
ACTUARIAL BALANCE SHEET**

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
<b>Total Requirements</b>		
Actuarial Obligation *		
Retirees and Beneficiaries	\$ 229	\$ 190
Inactive Participants	30,234	24,925
Active Participants	<u>67,568</u>	<u>54,767</u>
Total Requirements	\$ 98,031	\$ 79,882
<b>Total Resources</b>		
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$ 98,892	\$ 93,182
Unfunded Actuarial Obligation or (Actuarial Surplus)	<u>(861)</u>	<u>(13,300)</u>
Total Resources	\$ 98,031	\$ 79,882
<b>Funded Ratio</b>	100.88%	116.65%

\* The 2007 Actuarial Obligation includes the Additional Earnings Credits and Additional Annuity Credits granted by the Retirement Board on June 5, 2008.

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**TABLE 4**  
**ACTUARIAL GAINS AND LOSSES**

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	<b>Actuarial Obligation</b>	<b>Actuarial Value of Assets</b>	<b>Unfunded Actuarial Obligation (Surplus)</b>
<b>Balance at June 30, 2007</b>	\$ 79,882	\$ 93,182	\$ (13,300)
<b>Expected Changes</b>			
Actual Contributions	14,418	14,418	0
Actual Benefits Paid	(1,661)	(1,661)	0
Expected Earnings / Credits	<u>6,685</u>	<u>7,716</u>	<u>(1,031)</u>
<b>Expected Balance at June 30, 2008</b>	\$ 99,324	\$113,655	\$ (14,331)
<b>Actuarial Gains or Losses</b>			
(Gain) on Actuarial Obligation	(1,293)		
(Gain) on Assets	<u>          </u>	<u>14,763</u>	
Net (Gain) or Loss	(1,293)	14,763	13,470
<b>Actual Balance at June 30, 2008</b>	\$ 98,031	\$ 98,892	\$ (861)

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**TABLE 5  
GAIN AND LOSS RESERVE**

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	<b>June 30, 2008</b>	<b>June 30, 2007</b>
<b>Unfunded Actuarial Obligation or (Actuarial Surplus)</b>	\$ (861)	\$ (16,879)
<b>Gain and Loss Reserve</b>		
Beginning of Year	\$ 13,300	\$ 5,908
Additional Earnings Credit	0	(3,571)
Additional Annuity Credit	0	(8)
Allocated to Funding	<u>(12,439)</u>	<u>10,971</u>
End of Year Gain and Loss Reserve	\$ 861	\$ 13,300
<b>Unallocated Gains and (Losses)</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0

<i>(\$Thousands)</i>	<b>Available Reserves and Unallocated Gains (Losses)</b>	<b>Additional Credits Adopted</b>	<b>Final Gain and Loss Reserve</b>
<b>Valuation Date</b>			
June 30, 1999	\$ 223	\$ 58	\$ 165
June 30, 2000	517	0	517
June 30, 2001	(1,170)	0	(1,170)
June 30, 2002	(3,332)	0	(3,332)
June 30, 2003	(3,874)	0	(3,874)
June 30, 2004	250	0	250
June 30, 2005	2,137	0	2,137
June 30, 2006	6,641	733	5,908
June 30, 2007	16,879	3,579	13,300
June 30, 2008	861	0	861

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**TABLE 6**  
**ADDITIONAL CREDITS BASED ON BOARD POLICY**

	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
Funded Ratio before Additional Credits	100.88%	122.12%
Actuarial Surplus	0.88%	22.12%
Minimum Interest Rate (year following valuation date)	5.00%	5.25%
First Threshold	10.00%	10.50%
Second Threshold	15.00%	15.75%
<b>First Allocation</b>		
Long-term Net Investment Return	7.75%	7.75%
Minimum Interest Rate (year prior to valuation)	<u>5.25</u>	<u>4.75</u>
Maximum Available in First Allocation (1)	2.50%	3.00%
Actuarial Surplus	0.88%	22.12%
First Threshold	<u>10.00</u>	<u>10.50</u>
Actuarial Surplus in excess of First Threshold (2)	0.00%	11.62%
<b>First Allocation (lesser of (1) and (2))</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>3.00%</b>
<b>Second Allocation</b>		
Remaining Actuarial Surplus	0.88%	19.12%
Second Threshold	<u>15.00%</u>	<u>15.75%</u>
Actuarial Surplus in excess of Second Threshold	0.00%	3.37%
Less, 50%	<u>(0.00)</u>	<u>(1.68)</u>
<b>Available for Second Allocation</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>1.69%</b>
<b>Recommended Additional Earnings Credit and Additional Annuity Credit based on Policy</b>		
As a percentage of Actuarial Obligation as of the valuation date of June 30, 2007	0.00%	4.69%
As a dollar amount (\$000)	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 3,579</b>

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**Table 7 History of Cash Flow**

Year End	Contributions for the Year	Expenditures During the Year				External Cash Flow	Fair Market Value of Assets
		Benefit Payments	Contribution Refunds	Expenses	Total		
1997	\$ 148	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 428	\$ 428	\$ (280)	\$ (393)
1998	1,544	0	0	466	466	1,078	790
1999	3,082	0	15	430	445	2,637 <sup>(1)</sup>	5,224
2000	4,955	0	59	4	63	4,892	10,868
2001	5,972	0	119	8	127	5,845	15,768
2002	7,121	0	195	11	206	6,915	21,748
2003	7,171	0	320	17	337	6,834	29,963
2004	7,712	580	197	28	805	6,907	42,253
2005	8,639	1,235	245	34	1,514	7,125	53,918
2006	10,605	1,330	472	34	1,836	8,769	68,797
2007	11,884	884	664	44	1,592	10,292	93,182
2008	14,418	1,053	608	52	1,713	12,705	98,892

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes write-off of loan from the DB Plan of \$1,417,000 as of January 1, 1999.

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**Table 8      Schedule of Funding Progress**

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(\$Thousands)

<b>Year End</b>	<b>Actuarial Value of Assets</b>	<b>Actuarial Accrued Liability</b>	<b>Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability</b>	<b>Funded Ratio Assets/AAL</b>	<b>Estimated Covered Payroll</b>	<b>Coverage Ratio UAAL/Pay</b>
1997	\$ (393)	\$ 164	\$ 557	(240)%	\$ 4,504	12%
1998	790	1,728	938	46%	18,838	5%
1999	5,224	5,001	(223)	104%	50,426	0%
2000	10,868	10,351	(517)	105%	70,605	(1)%
2001	15,768	16,938	1,170	93%	97,921	1%
2002	21,748	25,080	3,332	87%	89,871	4%
2003	29,963	33,837	3,874	89%	81,080	5%
2004	42,253	42,003	(250)	101%	96,199	(0)%
2005	53,918	51,781	(2,137)	104%	106,951	(2)%
2006	68,797	62,889	(5,908)	109%	122,316	(5)%
2007	93,182	79,882	(13,300)	117%	144,516	(9)%
2008	98,892	98,031	(861)	101%	181,104	(0)%

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**Table 9      Schedule of Employer Contributions**

*(\$Thousands)*

<b>Year End</b>	<b>Annual Required Contribution</b>	<b>Contributed by Employers</b>	<b>Contributed by the State</b>	<b>Total Contributed</b>	<b>Percentage Contributed</b>
1997	\$ 74	\$ 74	\$ 0	\$ 74	100%
1998	772	772	0	772	100%
1999	1,562	1,562	0	1,562	100%
2000	2,365	2,365	0	2,365	100%
2001	3,036	3,036	0	3,036	100%
2002	3,586	3,586	0	3,586	100%
2003	3,590	3,590	0	3,590	100%
2004	3,845	3,845	0	3,845	100%
2005	4,490	4,490	0	4,490	100%
2006	5,102	5,102	0	5,102	100%
2007	5,931	5,931	0	5,931	100%
2008	7,497	7,497	0	7,497	100%

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### Appendix A

#### Provisions of Governing Law

All of the actuarial calculations contained in this report are based upon our understanding of the Cash Balance Benefit (CBB) Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan as contained in Part 14 of the California Education Code. The provisions used in this valuation are summarized below for reference purposes.

#### Participation

- Eligibility Requirement: Participation if employed at less than 50% of a full-time position for a California school district, community college district, or county office of education which has elected to offer the CBB Program.
- Participant: An eligible employee with creditable service subject to coverage, who has contributions credited in the Program or is receiving an annuity from the Program.

#### Account Balance

- Account Balance: Nominal accounts established for the purpose of determining benefits payable to the Participant. Accounts are credited with Contributions, Minimum Interest Rate, and Additional Earnings Credits.
- Contributions: Generally, Participant Contributions are 4% of salary, and Employer Contributions are 4% of salary.
- Rules for Contribution rates may differ for Participants covered by a collective bargaining agreement, but the sum of the Participant and Employer contributions must equal or exceed 8% of salary, and in no event can the Employer contribution rate be less than 4% of salary.
- The Retirement Board may adjust Employer Contributions for a fixed number of years, but the adjustment shall not exceed 0.25% of salaries in any plan year.
- Minimum Interest Rate: Annual rate determined for the plan year by the Retirement Board in accordance with federal laws

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and regulations. The Minimum Interest Rate is equal to the average of the yields on 30-year Treasuries for the twelve months ending in February preceding the beginning of the plan year, rounded to the next highest 0.25%.

**Additional Earnings Credit:** Annual rate determined for the plan year by the Retirement Board based on the actual earnings during the plan year, but only to the extent the earnings are sufficient to credit the Minimum Interest Rate and provide any additions to the Gain and Loss Reserve deemed warranted by the Board.

**Additional Annuity Credit:** Annual rate determined for the plan year by the Retirement Board based on the actual earnings during the plan year, but only to the extent the earnings are sufficient to credit the Minimum Interest Rate and provide any additions to the Gain and Loss Reserve deemed warranted by the Board.

### **Normal Retirement**

**Eligibility Requirement:** Age 60.

**Benefit:** The Account Balance at the retirement date subject to limits imposed under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 415.

**Form of Payment:** The normal form of payment is a lump sum distribution. Annuity options are available if the sum of the employer and employee accounts equal or exceed \$3,500.

### **Early Retirement**

**Eligibility Requirement:** Age 55.

**Benefit and Form:** Same as Normal Retirement.

### **Late Retirement**

**Benefit and Form:** Same as Normal Retirement.

Contributions and interest continue to be credited to the Account Balances until distributed.

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#### **Deferred Retirement**

Benefit: A Participant may cease active service, leave the accumulated Account Balance on deposit, and later retire upon attaining the minimum age requirement.

#### **Disability Benefit**

Eligibility Requirement: Determination by the Retirement Board that the Participant has a total and permanent disability.

Benefit: The Account Balance at the date of disability. An annuity benefit is discontinued if the Participant is re-employed before age 60, and performs service creditable under the Program.

Form of Payment: Same as Normal Retirement.

#### **Death Before Retirement**

Eligibility Requirement: Deceased Participant has an Account Balance.

Benefit: The Account Balance at the date of death payable to the designated beneficiary.

Form of Payment: Same as Normal Retirement.

#### **Death After Retirement**

Eligibility Requirement: The deceased Participant was receiving an annuity.

Benefit: According to the terms of the annuity elected by the Participant.

#### **Termination from the Program**

Eligibility Requirement: More than five years has elapsed since the most recent termination benefit, if any, has been paid.

Benefit: Lump sum distribution of the Account Balance as of the date of distribution. The benefit is payable one year from the termination of credited service.

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### Appendix B

#### Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

This section of the report discloses the actuarial methods and assumptions used in this Actuarial Valuation. These methods and assumptions have been chosen on the basis of recent experience of the DB Program and on current expectations as to future economic conditions.

The assumptions are intended to estimate the future experience of the members of the DBS Program and of the DBS Program itself in areas that affect the projected benefit flow and anticipated investment earnings. Any variations in future experience from that expected from these assumptions will result in corresponding changes in estimated costs of the DBS Program's benefits.

#### Actuarial Cost Method

The accruing costs of all benefits are measured by the Traditional Unit Credit Actuarial Cost Method. Under this method, the projected benefits of each individual member are allocated by a consistent formula to valuation years. The actuarial present value of future projected benefits allocated to the current year is called the Normal Cost. The actuarial present value of future projected benefits allocated to periods prior to the valuation year is called the Actuarial Obligation.

The Actuarial Obligation is equal to the accumulated account balances and the Normal Cost is equal to the total annual contribution.

#### Asset Valuation Method

The assets are valued at Fair Market Value.

#### Actuarial Assumptions

The Actuarial Standards Board has adopted Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 27, *Selection of Economic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. This Standard provides guidance on selecting economic assumptions under defined benefit retirement programs such as the System. In our opinion, the economic assumptions have been developed in accordance with the Standard.

The Actuarial Standards Board has adopted Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 35, *Selection of Demographic and Other Noneconomic Assumptions for Measuring Pension Obligations*. This Standard provides guidance on selecting demographic assumptions

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under defined benefit retirement programs such as the System. In our opinion, the demographic assumptions have been developed in accordance with the Standard.

The assumptions are intended to estimate the future experience of the members of the DB Program and of the System itself in areas that affect the projected benefit flow and anticipated investment earnings. Any variations in future experience from that expected from these assumptions will result in corresponding changes in estimated costs of the Program's benefits.

The demographic assumptions are listed in **Table B.1** and illustrated at selected ages and duration combinations in **Tables B.2 – B.7**.

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**Table B.1 List of Major Valuation Assumptions**

**I. Economic Assumptions**

A.	Investment Return (net of investment and administrative expenses)	7.75%
B.	Interest on Member Accounts	6.00%
C.	Wage Growth	4.25%
D.	Inflation	3.25%

**II. Demographic Assumptions**

A.	Mortality		
	(1) Active	- Male	2007 CalSTRS Retired – M (-2 years)
		- Female	2007 CalSTRS Retired – F (-2 years)
	(2) Retired & Beneficiary *	- Male	2007 CalSTRS Retired – M
		- Female	2007 CalSTRS Retired – F
	(3) Disabled *	- Male	RP 2000-M (minimum 2.5% with select rates in first three years)
		- Female	RP 2000-F (minimum 2.0% with select rates in first three years)

\* *Future retirees and beneficiaries are valued with a 2-year age setback*

B.	Service Retirement	Experience Tables	Table B.3
C.	Disability Retirement	Experience Tables	Table B.4
D.	Withdrawal	Experience Tables	Table B.5
	Probability of Refund	Experience Tables	Table B.6
E.	Merit Salary Increases	Experience Tables	Table B.7
F.	Supplemental Assumptions		Table B.8

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**Table B.2      Mortality**

<b><u>Active Members</u></b>					
	<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Male</u></b>	<b><u>Female</u></b>		
	25	0.032%	0.019%		
	30	0.037	0.020		
	35	0.039	0.024		
	40	0.063	0.039		
	45	0.096	0.060		
	50	0.130	0.094		
	55	0.186	0.143		
	60	0.292	0.221		
	65	0.527	0.392		
	<b><u>Retired Members and Beneficiaries *</u></b>		<b><u>Disabled Members (After Year 3) *</u></b>		
<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Male</u></b>	<b><u>Female</u></b>	<b><u>Male</u></b>	<b><u>Female</u></b>	
50	0.151%	0.112%	2.500%	2.000%	
55	0.214	0.168	2.500	2.000	
60	0.362	0.272	2.500	2.000	
65	0.675	0.506	2.500	2.000	
70	1.274	0.971	2.728	2.067	
75	2.384	1.674	4.691	3.411	
80	4.355	3.257	8.049	5.629	
85	7.958	6.164	13.604	9.634	
90	14.262	11.915	21.661	15.762	
95	23.366	18.280	29.985	21.524	
<b>Select rates for disability:</b>					
	First year of disablement		6.0%	3.5%	
	Second year of disablement		4.8	3.0	
	Third year of disablement		3.5	2.5	

\* Future retirees and beneficiaries are valued with a 2-year age setback

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**Table B.3 Service Retirement**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Only for the 1990 Benefit Structure</u>		<u>For the DB Program</u>			
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Under 30 Years *</u>		<u>30 or More Years</u>	
			<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
50	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	2.5%
51	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.5
52	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.5
53	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.5
54	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	2.0	3.0
55	5.8	7.0	2.7	4.5	8.0	9.0
56	3.9	4.5	1.8	3.2	8.0	9.0
57	4.9	4.5	1.8	3.2	10.0	11.0
58	6.8	7.0	2.7	4.1	14.0	16.0
59	17.5	14.0	4.5	5.4	18.0	19.0
60	25.0	22.0	6.3	9.0	27.0	31.0
61	16.5	15.0	6.3	9.0	43.0	40.0
62	16.5	15.0	10.8	10.8	38.0	37.0
63	15.0	15.0	11.7	16.2	30.0	35.0
64	17.5	18.0	10.8	13.5	30.0	32.0
65	20.0	18.0	13.5	14.4	30.0	32.0
66	16.0	18.0	10.8	13.5	30.0	32.0
67	16.0	18.0	10.8	13.5	30.0	32.0
68	16.0	16.0	10.8	13.5	30.0	32.0
69	16.0	16.0	10.8	13.5	30.0	32.0
70	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

\* If service is equal to or greater than 25 but less than 28 years, the assumed retirement rates shown above for members with less than 30 years of service are increased by 50%. For members with 28 but less than 30 years, the assumed retirement rates shown above for members with less than 30 years of service are increased by 11%.

The assumptions shown above are for retirement from active status. We assume that all vested terminated members retire at age 60.

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**Table B.4      Disability Retirement**

**Coverage A**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
25	0.021%	0.021%
30	0.030	0.030
35	0.051	0.060
40	0.081	0.090
45	0.111	0.110
50	0.159	0.220
55	0.210	0.280

**Coverage B**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Entry Ages - Male</u>		<u>Entry Ages - Female</u>	
	<u>Under 40</u>	<u>40 and Up</u>	<u>Under 40</u>	<u>40 and Up</u>
25	0.012%		0.021%	
30	0.018		0.021	
35	0.036		0.042	
40	0.090		0.078	
45	0.123	0.118%	0.126	0.139%
50	0.171	0.202	0.219	0.252
55	0.252	0.312	0.318	0.367
60	0.204	0.477	0.243	0.529
65	0.144	0.853	0.168	0.916

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**Table B.5      Withdrawal**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Entry Ages - Male</u>					
	<u>Under 25</u>	<u>25 - 29</u>	<u>30 - 34</u>	<u>35 - 39</u>	<u>40 - 44</u>	<u>45 &amp; Up</u>
0	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	18.0%
1	13.0	12.5	13.0	13.0	13.0	14.0
2	9.0	7.7	9.0	9.0	9.0	10.0
3	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	7.0
4	4.4	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.0
5	3.9	3.6	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
10	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	
15	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1		
20	0.6	0.6	0.6			
25	0.4	0.5				
30	0.3					

  

<u>Year</u>	<u>Entry Ages - Female</u>					
	<u>Under 25</u>	<u>25 - 29</u>	<u>30 - 34</u>	<u>35 - 39</u>	<u>40 - 44</u>	<u>45 &amp; Up</u>
0	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%	15.3%
1	10.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	10.5	10.5
2	7.2	8.5	8.5	7.5	7.0	7.0
3	6.3	7.0	6.5	6.0	5.5	5.5
4	5.8	6.0	5.5	4.5	4.0	3.0
5	5.5	5.3	4.5	3.8	3.3	2.5
10	2.3	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.3	
15	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9		
20	0.5	0.5	0.5			
25	0.3	0.4				
30	0.3					

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**Table B.6 Probability of Refund**

<b>Entry Ages - Male</b>					
<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Under 25</u></b>	<b><u>25 - 29</u></b>	<b><u>30 - 34</u></b>	<b><u>35 - 39</u></b>	<b><u>40 and Up</u></b>
Under 5	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
10	46	46	38	36	36
15	38	38	31	21	
20	28	31	15		
25	15	15			
30	10				

  

<b>Entry Ages - Female</b>					
<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Under 25</u></b>	<b><u>25 - 29</u></b>	<b><u>30 - 34</u></b>	<b><u>35 - 39</u></b>	<b><u>40 and Up</u></b>
Under 5	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
10	34	32	32	29	29
15	27	24	24	24	
20	19	14	14		
25	10	10			
30	10				

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**Table B.7     Merit Salary Increases**

Yr.	Entry Age - Annual Increase in Salaries Due to Merit					
	<u>Under 25</u>	<u>25 - 29</u>	<u>30 - 34</u>	<u>35 - 39</u>	<u>40 - 44</u>	<u>45 &amp; up</u>
1	5.6%	5.3%	5.1%	4.8%	4.8%	3.5%
2	5.6	5.1	4.9	4.7	4.7	3.3
3	5.6	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.6	3.0
4	5.5	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.4	2.9
5	5.5	4.8	4.5	3.8	3.8	2.6
10	3.2	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.6
15	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.1	0.8
20	1.3	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.6
25	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.5	
30	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5		
35	0.8	0.7	0.6			
40	0.8	0.6				
45	0.8					

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**Table B.8 Supplemental Assumptions**

<b>Unused Sick Leave:</b>	Credited Service is increased by 2.1%				
<b>Optional Forms:</b>	Active & Inactive: Based on single life annuity assumed Retirees and Beneficiaries: Based on optional form in data				
<b>Probability of Marriage:</b>	Male:	90%			
	Female:	70%			
	Male spouses are assumed to be three years older than female spouses.				
<b>Number of Children:</b>	Married members are assumed to have the following number of children:				
	<b><u>Member's Gender</u></b>	<b><u>Assumed No. of Children</u></b>			
	Male	0.75			
	Female	0.50			
<b>Assumed Offsets:</b>	The following offsets, expressed as a percentage of Final Compensation, are assumed to cease at age 60:				
		<b><u>Coverage A</u></b>		<b><u>Coverage B</u></b>	
		<b><u>Male</u></b>	<b><u>Female</u></b>	<b><u>Male</u></b>	<b><u>Female</u></b>
	Death	8.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Disability	2.5%	4.0%	2.2%	3.0%

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### Appendix C Valuation Data

The participant data for this actuarial valuation was supplied by CalSTRS and accepted without audit. We have examined the data for reasonableness and consistency with prior valuations and periodic reports from the CalSTRS staff to the Teachers' Retirement Board.

In preparing this report, we relied upon the participant data furnished by CalSTRS. Although we did not audit this data, we compared the data for this and the prior valuation and tested for reasonableness. Based on these tests, we believe the data to be sufficiently accurate for the purposes of this valuation. Since the valuation results are dependent on the integrity of the data supplied, the results can be expected to differ if the underlying data is incomplete or missing. It should be noted that if any data or other information is inaccurate or incomplete, our calculations may need to be revised.

**Tables C.1** through **C.4** summarize the census data used in this valuation.

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**Table C.1 Summary of Statistical Information**

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	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
<b>Number of Participants</b>		
Active Participants	11,627	10,579
Inactive Participants	15,037	13,536
Retirees and Beneficiaries	<u>24</u>	<u>17</u>
Total Number of Participants	26,688	24,132
<b>Active Participant Statistics</b>		
Annualized Salaries	\$ 181.1 million	\$ 144.5 million
Average Salary	\$ 15,571	\$ 13,659
Average Age	47.7 years	47.7 years
Average Service in CBB Program	3.9 years	3.7 years

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**Table C.2    Age and Service Distribution**  
**All Active Participants**

<b>Age Group</b>		<b>Years</b>	
Under 25	137	Under 1	3,118
25 – 29	911	1 – 2	1,691
30 – 34	1,222	2 – 3	1,374
35 – 39	1,374	3 – 4	717
40 – 44	1,369	4 – 5	1,134
45 – 49	1,456	5 and Over	<u>3,593</u>
50 – 54	1,494	Total	11,627
55 – 59	1,520		
60 – 64	1,148		
65 and Over	<u>996</u>		
Total	11,627		

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**Table C.3      Inactive Members**

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<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Account</u> <u>Balances</u>
2005	10,534	\$ 15,438,000
2006	12,101	19,307,000
2007	13,536	23,848,000
2008	15,031	28,543,000

**Table C.4      Annuitants**

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<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Accounts at</u> <u>Retirement</u>
2005	4	\$ 52,000
2006	13	141,000
2007	17	185,000
2008	24	311,000

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**Appendix D**  
**Glossary**

<b>Account Balance:</b>	The nominal account amount of an individual's benefit as of a specific date, determined in accordance with the terms of the plan. The Account Balance is accumulated with contributions and interest.
<b>Actuarial Assumptions:</b>	Assumptions as to the occurrence of future events affecting pension costs, such as mortality, withdrawal, disablement, and retirement, changes in compensation, rates of investment earnings and asset appreciation or depreciation, procedures used to determine the Actuarial Value of Assets, and other relevant items.
<b>Actuarial Cost Method:</b>	A procedure for determining the Actuarial Present Value of pension plan benefits and expenses and for developing an actuarially equivalent allocation of such value to time periods, usually in the form of a Normal Cost and an Actuarial Obligation.
<b>Actuarial Gain or Loss:</b>	A measure of the difference between actual experience and that expected based upon a set of Actuarial Assumptions during the period between two Actuarial Valuation dates, as determined in accordance with a particular Actuarial Cost Method.
<b>Actuarial Obligation:</b>	That portion, as determined by a particular Actuarial Cost method, of the Actuarial Present Value of pension plan benefits and expenses which is not provided for by future Normal Costs.
<b>Actuarial Present Value:</b>	The value of an amount or series of amounts payable or receivable at various times, determined as of a given date by the application of a particular set of Actuarial Assumptions.
<b>Actuarial Surplus:</b>	The excess, if any, of the Actuarial Value of Assets over the Actuarial Obligation.

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<b>Actuarial Valuation:</b>	The determination, as of a Valuation Date, of the Normal Cost, Actuarial Obligation, Actuarial Value of Assets, and related Actuarial Present Values for a pension plan.
<b>Actuarial Value of Assets:</b>	The value of cash, investments and other property belonging to a pension plan, as used by the actuary for the purpose of an Actuarial Valuation.
<b>Actuarial Equivalent:</b>	Of equal Actuarial Present Value, determined as of a given date with each value based on the same set of Actuarial Assumptions.
<b>Normal Cost:</b>	The actuarial present value of benefits expected to accrue in the plan year subsequent to the valuation date. The Normal Cost is equivalent to the expected Participant and Employer contributions for the next year.
<b>Traditional Unit Credit Actuarial Cost Method:</b>	A method under which the Actuarial Obligation is equal to the actuarial present value of benefits for service accrued to the valuation date.
<b>Unfunded Actuarial Obligation:</b>	The excess, if any, of the Actuarial Obligation over the Actuarial Value of Assets.
<b>Valuation Date:</b>	June 30, 2008.