



CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a
Vercipia Biofuels (A Development Stage Company)
Year Ended December 31, 2010, and for the Period From
October 22, 2007 (Inception) to December 31, 2010
With Report of Independent Certified Public Accountants

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Report of Independent Certified Public Accountants

BP Biofuels North America, LLC, the Member
Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a
Vercipia Biofuels

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a Vercipia Biofuels (a development stage company) (the Company) as of December 31, 2010, and the related consolidated statements of operations, members' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended, and for the period from October 22, 2007 (inception) to December 31, 2010. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a Vercipia Biofuels (a development stage company) at December 31, 2010, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2010, and for the period from October 22, 2007 (inception) to December 31, 2010, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 29, 2011, on our consideration of Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a Vercipia Biofuels' internal control over financial reporting and our tests of their compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.

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September 29, 2011

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Consolidated Balance Sheet

December 31, 2010

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 797,684
Accounts receivable – grants	583,975
Prepaid expenses	236,448
Total current assets	<u>1,618,107</u>
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$8,114	56,800
Other long-term assets	120,000
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 1,794,907</u></u>

Liabilities and members' equity

Accounts payable	\$ 7,446
Accrued expenses	869,199
	<u>876,645</u>
Members' equity:	
Members' equity	31,348,845
Deficit accumulated during the development stage	(30,430,583)
Total members' equity	<u>918,262</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity	<u><u>\$ 1,794,907</u></u>

See accompanying notes.

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Consolidated Statements of Operation

	Year Ended December 31, 2010	Period From October 22, 2007 (Inception) to December 31, 2010
Revenue		
Grants	\$ 2,207,904	\$ 3,298,899
Operating expenses		
Research and development	9,545,380	22,196,115
General and administrative	6,309,795	11,565,654
Total operating expenses	<u>15,855,175</u>	<u>33,761,769</u>
Loss from operations	(13,647,271)	(30,462,870)
Interest income	15,482	32,287
Net loss	<u>\$ (13,631,789)</u>	<u>\$ (30,430,583)</u>

See accompanying notes.

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Consolidated Statements of Members' Equity

	Members' Equity – BPBNA	Members' Equity – BATI	Deficit Accumulated During the Development Stage	Total Members' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2009 (cumulative since October 22, 2007, inception)	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 8,326,273 *	\$ (16,798,794)	\$ 6,527,479
Equity contributions	8,022,572	–	–	8,022,572
Net loss	–	–	(13,631,789)	(13,631,789)
Balance at December 31, 2010	\$ 23,022,572	\$ 8,326,273	\$ (30,430,583)	\$ 918,262

*Includes the 2008 noncash contribution of Texas Biofuels of \$40,067 at cost.

See accompanying notes.

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended December 31, 2010	Period From October 22, 2007 (Inception) to December 31, 2010
Operating activities		
Net loss	\$ (13,631,789)	\$ (30,430,583)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	18,658	21,782
Write-off of Biofuels Texas land option	-	48,128
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable – grants	(121,500)	(583,975)
Prepaid rent	249,102	(236,448)
Accounts payable	(947,483)	7,446
Accrued expenses	837,105	869,199
Payable to Members, net	(774,192)	-
Net cash used in operating activities	(14,370,099)	(30,304,451)
Investing activities		
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment	(66,087)	(78,582)
Payments for land deposits	-	(128,061)
Net cash used in investing activities	(66,087)	(206,643)
Financing activities		
Capital contribution from Verenum	-	8,286,206
Capital contribution from BP	8,022,572	23,022,572
Net cash provided by financing activities	8,022,572	31,308,778
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(6,413,614)	797,684
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	7,211,298	-
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$ 797,684	\$ 797,684
Supplemental disclosures of noncash operating and financing activities		
Verenum contribution of Biofuels Texas	\$ -	\$ 40,067

See accompanying notes.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

December 31, 2010

1. Organization

Highlands Ethanol, LLC was formed on October 22, 2007 (inception) under the name Verenum Monkey Hammock Ethanol, LLC as a wholly owned subsidiary of Verenum Biofuels Corporation (Verenum). Highlands Ethanol, LLC was formed to develop one of the nation's first commercial-scale cellulosic ethanol facilities, located in Highlands County, Florida, and to create opportunities for commercial implementation of cellulosic ethanol technologies.

Highlands Ethanol, LLC d/b/a Vercipia Biofuels (Highlands) was a 50-50 joint venture formed on February 18, 2009, between Verenum and BP Biofuels North America (BPBNA), collectively, the "Members." On September 2, 2010, BPBNA and Verenum executed an agreement for BPBNA to acquire Verenum's cellulosic biofuels business for \$98.3 million, which included the Company. As part of the transaction, BPBNA purchased Verenum, indirectly acquiring the remaining 50% member interest through Verenum's 50% member interest in Highlands. Verenum changed its name to BP Biofuels Advanced Technology, Inc. (BATI) effective September 2, 2010. Subsequent to year end, on January 4, 2011, BATI declared a dividend of its 50% interest in Highlands to BPBNA, making BPBNA the sole member in Highlands effective January 4, 2011.

In the joint venture agreement, effective February 18, 2009, Highlands issued a 50% member interest to BPBNA for a \$22.5 million cash commitment. In conjunction with this transaction, Verenum contributed all assets related to Highlands and 100% of the interest in Biofuels Texas, which became a wholly owned subsidiary of Highlands. BPBNA's cash contribution was payable in four installments: \$7.0 million was paid on April 1, 2009, \$5.0 million was paid on July 1, 2009, \$3.0 million was paid on October 1, 2009, and \$7.5 million was paid on May 3, 2010. In accordance with authoritative guidance, all contributed assets were transferred at cost. Members' equity amounts represent interests held by the Members.

Vercipia Biofuels Texas, LLC (Biofuels Texas, LLC) was formed March 23, 2007, and was formerly known as Verenum Biofuels Texas, LLC, and prior to that, as East Texas Biofuels, LLC. In conjunction with the formation of the joint venture on February 18, 2009, Biofuels Texas became a wholly owned subsidiary of Highlands. Biofuels Texas was formed to exploit potential opportunities for a commercial-scale cellulosic ethanol facility in the Gulf Coast Region of the U.S.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

1. Organization (continued)

As of December 31, 2010, Highlands and Biofuels Texas (collectively, the Company) have devoted substantially all of their efforts to developing sites in Florida and the Gulf Coast Region of the U.S. The Company has a limited operating history and has not realized revenues from its planned principal operations. Accordingly, the Company is considered to be in the development stage.

Under the terms of the Company's limited liability agreement, the Company will continue until the occurrence of any of the following events: (a) the written consent of the Members; (b) the Members become deadlocked on one or more matters essential to the continued orderly operation of the Company; or (c) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution. The Members are not personally liable for any amount in excess of their respective capital contributions and are not liable for any of the debts and losses of the Company.

Basis of Presentation

Management of the Company expects to continue to incur net losses for at least the next several years as it pursues development of commercial-scale cellulosic ethanol facilities. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming the Company will continue as a going concern. This basis of accounting contemplates the recovery of the Company's assets and the satisfaction of its liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company has a limited operating history and the sales and income potential of the Company's business and market are unproven.

The Company has experienced a net loss since its inception on October 22, 2007, through December 31, 2010. Successful transition to attaining profitable operations is dependent upon achieving a level of revenues adequate to support the Company's cost structure. Accordingly, if the Company is unable to generate revenues adequate to support its cost structure, the Company will need to receive additional funding from BPBNA or raise debt or equity financing to continue to fund its development activities. As of December 31, 2010, the Company does not have sufficient cash to meet its funding requirements through December 31, 2011.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

1. Organization (continued)

In connection with the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 855, *Subsequent Events*, management has evaluated and reviewed the affairs of the Company for subsequent events that would have an impact on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010 through September 29, 2011, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principals of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Highlands and its wholly owned subsidiary, Biofuels Texas, as of the date of acquisition on February 18, 2009.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. 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 revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company adheres to authoritative guidance for fair value measurements and the fair value option for financial assets and financial liabilities. The guidance for the fair value option for financial assets and financial liabilities provides the irrevocable option to measure many financial assets and liabilities at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in earnings. The Company has not elected to measure any financial assets or liabilities at fair value that were not previously required to be measured at fair value.

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, and payables. The Company believes that the carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, and payables on the accompanying consolidated balance sheet approximate their fair values due to the short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of highly liquid investments, such as cash and money market funds, with original maturities of less than 90 days.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents currently are deposited with one major financial institution in the U.S. During the year ended December 31, 2010, balances may have exceeded the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance limits. Cash at risk at December 31, 2010 was approximately \$548,000.

Grant Revenue

The Company recognizes revenue from grants as related costs are incurred, as long as such costs are within the funding limits specified by the underlying grant agreements.

Crop Establishment

All crop establishment costs are expensed as they are incurred as the Company is still in the development stage of its projects. Crop establishment costs incurred in 2010 were approximately \$531,000 and included within research and development costs.

Income Taxes

The Company is a multi-member limited liability company taxed as a partnership for federal and state income tax purposes. Any taxable earnings or losses and certain other tax attributes are reported by the Members on their respective income tax returns. In September 2010, there was a change in ownership that resulted in the technical termination of the original partnership and the commencement of a new partnership for tax purposes.

The Company does not have significant operations in any state that taxes a limited liability company as a corporation.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The Company adheres to ASC Topic 740 (formerly FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an interpretation of ASC 740 (formerly FASB Statement 109), Accounting for Income Taxes*). ASC 740 creates a single model to address uncertain tax positions and clarifies the accounting for income taxes by prescribing a “more likely than not” minimum recognition threshold that a tax position is required to meet before being recognized in the financial statements.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Depreciation commences when assets, or major components thereof, are placed in service. Additions and improvements that extend the lives of the assets are capitalized while expenditures for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2010 was \$18,658.

Long-Lived Assets

In accordance with authoritative accounting guidance, the Company periodically reevaluates the original assumptions and rationale utilized in the establishment of the carrying values and estimated lives of all of its long-lived assets, including property and equipment. The determinants used for this evaluation include management’s estimate of the asset’s ability to generate positive income from operations and positive cash flow in future periods as well as the strategic significance of the asset to the Company’s business objective. The Company has not recognized any impairment losses from October 22, 2007 (inception) to December 31, 2010.

Business Combinations

The Company adheres to the revised FASB authoritative guidance for business combinations, which establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer in a business combination: (i) recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree; (ii) recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and (iii) determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. The provisions of the revised guidance did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Reclassifications

Certain amounts from the prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

3. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exit price, or the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date. The guidance also establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs market participants would use in valuing the asset or liability and are developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the Company's assumptions about the factors market participants would use in valuing the asset or liability. The guidance establishes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.

Level 2: Inputs, other than the quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions.

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3. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Cash measured at fair value as of December 31, 2010, is classified within the Level 1 designation as noted above.

	Fair Value Measurements (in 000s) at December 31, 2010 Using			
	December 31, 2010	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets				
Cash and money market account ⁽¹⁾	\$ 798	\$ 798	\$ —	\$ —
Total	\$ 798	\$ 798	\$ —	\$ —

⁽¹⁾Included as a component of cash and cash equivalents on the accompanying consolidated balance sheet

4. Grant Revenue

Grant revenue is attributable to two cost sharing grants awarded during early 2009 from the state of Florida under the Farm to Fuels and Renewable Energy and Energy Efficient Technologies Programs, both effective through the period of June 2012. Committed state funding pursuant to these grants is for \$7.0 million and \$2.5 million and is contingent upon annual appropriation by the state legislature. In the event of a state revenue shortfall, the funds available may be reduced. Revenue related to these grants for the year ended December 31, 2010, was approximately \$2.2 million. As of December 31, 2010, the Company had approximately \$6.2 million in funding remaining. At December 31, 2010, accounts receivable pertaining to the grants was approximately \$584,000.

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5. Other Long-Term Assets

Other long-term assets consist of option payments that may be credited against the purchase price of land pursuant to land (facility site) purchase agreements in Florida. As of December 31, 2010, the carrying value of these assets on the Company's consolidated balance sheet was \$120,000.

6. Commitments

Land Lease Options – The Company has entered into several land lease options for farmland near its intended commercial facility in the Gulf Coast Region of the U.S. In general, these options were entered into during 2009 and contain two one-year renewal options. These option agreements provide for the lease of farmland from 10 to 20 years and contain escalation clauses based on the Consumer Price Index, which is capped at 3% per annum. In general, the leases also contain an extension period of up to 10 years after expiration of the initial term. Land lease option payments made during 2010 were approximately \$145,000.

Land Purchase Options – The Company currently holds a land (facility site) purchase option in Florida. The option agreement contains renewal options and expires in July 2012 and provides for the purchase of land to build a commercial facility. If exercised, the payment under each option extension would be \$60,000 per year. Land purchase options payments made during 2010 were \$60,000.

Operating Leases – The Company has various operating leases for farmland on or near sites it intends to develop for commercial use. These sites are primarily for expanding the intended feedstock available for a commercial facility and/or for research of various farming techniques applicable to the intended feedstock. These obligations extend through 2012. Some of these leases contain renewal and escalation clauses. None of these leases contain restrictions on the Company's activities concerning dividends, additional debt, or further leasing. Rent expense pursuant to these leases totaled approximately \$773,000 in 2010.

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6. Commitments (continued)

During 2010, the Company had a month-to-month lease for office space from Verenum. This lease was terminated on June 30, 2010 as the Company completed the move of its principal office from Massachusetts to Florida. Rent expense during 2010, pursuant to the Verenum lease, was approximately \$92,000. The Company entered into a 12-month lease on March 17, 2010 when the Company moved its principal office to Florida. Subsequent to December 31, 2010, the Florida lease was extended for another 12 months. Rent expense for the Florida lease during 2010 totaled approximately \$79,000.

Future minimum rental payments required under operating leases that have initial or remaining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year are as follows (in thousands):

Year ending December 31:	
2011	\$ 365
2012	41
2013	—
2014	—
2015	—
Thereafter	—
	<u>\$ 406</u>

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7. Contingencies and Litigation

The Company may, from time to time, be involved in various claims and lawsuits regarding matters arising in the ordinary course of business. Accordingly, management assesses the probability of adverse judgments in connection with current and threatened litigation. Management would accrue the cost of an adverse judgment if, in its estimation, the adverse outcome is probable and management can reasonably estimate the ultimate cost. As of December 31, 2010, the Company was not aware of any threatened or pending lawsuits.

8. Related-Party Transactions

Verenium

The Company entered into a Business Services Agreement with Verenium effective February 18, 2009. Fixed services provided pursuant to this agreement terminated on December 31, 2009. The Business Services Agreement with Verenium was terminated as part of the sale of the Company to BPBNA in September 2010. Under this agreement, Verenium provided the Company with administrative, information systems, office space, technical, and other services, which were billed to the Company either through a negotiated fixed cost (fixed services) or on a daily rate (quotation-based services). Fixed services costs totaled approximately \$500,000 and quotation-based services totaled approximately \$270,000 during 2010.

A Secondment Agreement was also entered into with Verenium effective February 18, 2009. Under this agreement, certain employees of Verenium were seconded to the Company. These employees remained employed by Verenium and Verenium billed an amount equal to their salaries plus benefits to the Company on a monthly basis. The Secondment Agreement with Verenium was terminated as part of the sale of the Company to BPBNA. Total amounts billed from Verenium under the Secondment Agreement were approximately \$1,180,000 during 2010.

As of December 31, 2010, no amounts were outstanding between Verenium and the Company.

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8. Related-Party Transactions (continued)

BPBNA

A Secondment Agreement was also entered into with BPBNA effective February 18, 2009. Under this agreement, certain employees of BPBNA were seconded to the Company. These employees remained employed by BPBNA and BPBNA billed an amount equal to their salaries plus benefits to the Company on a monthly basis. Total amounts billed by BPBNA under the Secondment Agreement were approximately \$1,500,000 during 2010.

The cost of the services provided by Verenum and BPBNA have been recorded at invoiced amounts, which may not represent fair value as the services were provided by related parties to the Company.

As of December 31, 2010, no amounts were outstanding between BPBNA and the Company.

9. Subsequent Events

On January 4, 2011, the Company declared a dividend consisting of its 100% interest in Biofuels Texas to BPBNA. The dividend reflected the cumulative expenses related to Biofuels Texas and resulted in a decrease in member's equity and a corresponding decrease in accumulated deficit of approximately \$1,200,000 as of the dividend date.

During the period from January 1, 2011 through the audit report date, the Company received approximately \$14.6 million from BPBNA to fund its development activities.

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