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Subject: Submission of HB 946 Report to Education Interim Budget Committee

Dear Ms. Guenther,

On behalf of the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, I write to formally submit the report for the Montana University System as required by HB 946 (2023).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Helen Thigpen
Deputy Commissioner
Government Relations and Public Affairs

Enclosure

cc: David Bedey, Chairman, Education Interim Budget Committee
Clayton Christian, Commissioner of Higher Education
Pad McCracken, Research Analyst, Education Interim Committee

HB 946 Reporting										
MUS REPORT - July 31, 2023 Submission										
PCCDC = Partnership, collaboration, contract, donation or contribution										
Campus	Country Involved	Description of PCCDC	Goal of PCCDC	Length of PCCDC (i.e. start date and end date)	Orientation	Name of Individual or Entity who made or received the contribution	Did the State Institution receive financial compensation?	If Yes, Amount of Compensation	Did the Foreign Entity receive Financial Compensation	If yes, how much?
MSU-Bozeman	China	Conversion agreement (IIA-0156)	commercialize converted Seed	2/27/2004 - indefinite	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	yes - royalties	\$ 13,220	no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Exclusive license (EL-0178)	commercialize plant variety MTCL1077 developed at MSU	8/29/2012 - 8/1/2033	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	yes - license issue fee, license maintenance fees, royalties	\$ 961,472	no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	License amendment to EL-0178 (ADD-0189)	amend license maintenance fee for 2018 and beyond	10-23-2017 - 8/1/2033	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-1082)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	7/17/2016 - indefinite	Research	China Agricultural University	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-1087)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	8/10/2016 - indefinite	Research	Chinese Academy of Sciences	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-1161)	MSU testing Syngenta seed varieties	2/7/2017 - indefinite	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2067)	Mutual testing of MSU and Syngenta seed varieties	3/29/2018 - indefinite	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Bilateral Confidentiality, Material Transfer and Testing Agreement (MTA-2075)	Mutual testing of MSU and Syngenta seed varieties	5/4/2018 - indefinite	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	amendment to Syngenta MTA-2075 (ADD-0263)	amend MTA to add seed variety	2/2/2022 - indefinite	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2600)	Transfer material to HWWFHB Testing Network	10/1/2022 - 9/30/2027	Research	Syngenta Seeds LLC	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2060)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	2/13/2018 - indefinite	Research	ShanghaiTech University	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2445)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	7/14/2021 - indefinite	Research	China Agricultural University	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2420)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	5/11/2021 - indefinite	Research	CAS Center for Excellence in Molecular Plant Sciences	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Material Transfer Agreement (MTA-2430)	Transfer material from Addgene to MSU for research	5/20/2020 - indefinite	Research	CAS Center for Excellence in Molecular Plant Sciences	no		no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Epic Crystal - Wire Transfer	Purchase	10/19/2021	Research	Physics	No		Yes	\$ 4,539.00

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MSU-Bozeman	China	Chengu - Wire Transfer	Purchase	6/14/2022	Research	Physics	No		Yes	\$ 1,042.50
MSU-Bozeman	China	Chengu - Wire Transfer	Purchase	11/2/2021	Research	Physics	No		Yes	\$725.00
MSU-Bozeman	China	Chengu - Wire Transfer	Purchase	8/11/2022	Research	Physics	No		Yes	\$ 225.00
MSU-Bozeman	China	Hunan Fushel- Wire Transfer	Purchase	12/6/2022	Research	Physics	No		Yes	\$ 437.00
MSU-Bozeman	China	International Student Recruitment Agreement with Prepare Global Education Group (CS190062)	Increase International Enrollment	6/18/19 - 6/18/24	Other	MSU Office of International Programs	No		No	
MSU-Bozeman	China	International Student Recruitment Agreement with Can Achieve International Education Ltd (CS190060)	Increase International Enrollment	6/25/19 - 6/25/24	Other	MSU Office of International Programs	No		No	
MSU-Bozeman	China	International Student Recruitment Agreement with Shinyway Education (CS210030)	Increase International Enrollment	2/5/21 - 2/5/26	Other	MSU Office of International Programs	No		No	
MSU-Billings	China	University partnership with Xhuchang University	University collaboration - programs, 2+2 pathway	2011 - ongoing	Curriculum	Paul Foster, Executive Director, Office of International Studies MSU Billings	Yes	Annual amount varies	Yes	Less than \$20K annually
MSU-Bozeman	China	Testing Service Agreement	Test companies proprietary material	5/5/2023 -8/31/2023	Research	Montana State University-Bozeman Center for Biofilm Engineering	yes	\$ 35,157	no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Testing Service Agreement	Test companies proprietary material	2/21/2023-12/01/2023	Research	Montana State University -Plant Science and Plant Pathology	yes	\$ 6,480	no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Testing Service Agreement	Test companies proprietary material	4/14/2023-12/31/2023	Research	Montana State University -Southern Agricultural Research Center	yes	\$ 7,700	no	
MSU-Bozeman	China	Testing Service Agreement	Test companies proprietary material	5/3/2023-11/1/2023	Research	Montana State University-Agricultural Research Center	yes	\$ 11,250	no	
UM-Western	Russia	Student and faculty exchange agreement.	Promote mutual friendships, academic research, and educational cooperation.	6/25/2021 - 6/25/2026	Other	Chancellor's Office	No		No	
UM-Helena	China	Student exchange agreement	Promote academic and cultural exchange.	09/2021-10/2026	Other	Helena College	Yes	\$83,327	No	

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UM-Missoula	China	ISEC – recruitment collaboration and transfer articulation agreement with consortium of Chinese universities, based in Beijing	Increase International Enrollment	2019 - ongoing	Other	Admissions / New Student Services	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	UM-Shanghai International Studies University-International Cooperative Programs, 2+2 Articulation Agreement	Increase International Enrollment	2/2022 - 2/2028	Other	Admissions / New Student Services	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	MOU with the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE)	Increase International Enrollment. Facilitate student exchange opportunities.	8/2022-ongoing	Other	Admissions / New Student Services	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Informal relationship with YANA group, an international student recruitment business	To facilitate recruitment and provide admissions and visa support to students from Iran and the Middle East	2019 - ongoing	Other	Admissions / New Student Services	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	General memorandum of agreement between East China Normal University and UM.	Exploring research and education in the field of wildlife biology and management in China.	4/2007 - ongoing	Other	Global Engagement Office	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Exchange agreement between Shanghai International Studies University and UM.	Exchange of student, faculty, and staff between institutions.	2019-2024	Other	Global Engagement Office	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Program Cooperation Agreement with Dongfang International Center for Educational Exchange (ISEC) and UM.	Promote academic exchange and cultural communication.	4/2019-4/2024	Curriculum	Global Engagement Office	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Research Collaboration Agreement with the Polar Research Institute of China.	Cooperative research in the area of "phylogenetic, genomic, and functional diversity of snow algae and potential impacts on cryosphere loss."	3/20/2020-2/28/2026	Research	Office of Technology Transfer	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Joint Application Agreement with the Institute of Hydrobiology, Chinese Academy of Sciences.	The agreement provides for a cooperative application to the "Intergovernmental International Science and Technology Innovation Cooperation Projects" under the Ministry of Science and Technology of China.	5/2023-5/2027	Research	Office of Technology Transfer	No		No	

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UM-Missoula	China	Power of Attorney delegation from the University of Montana to a Chinese patent associate ("CCPIT Patent and Trademark Law Office").	The delegation permits for the prosecution of a UM-owned patent application before the Chinese Patent Office (i.e., "Method of Reducing Neuronal Cell Death...").	Active from 6/27/2019 until close of patent prosecution or revocation.	Research	Office of Technology Transfer	No		No	
UM-Missoula	China	Power of Attorney delegation from the University of Montana to a Chinese patent associate ("The China National Intellectual Property Administration").	The delegation permits for the prosecution of a UM-owned patent application before the Chinese Patent Office (i.e., "Vaccine Adjuvants Based on TLR Receptor Ligands").	Active from 2/11/2022 until close of patent prosecution or revocation.	Research	Office of Technology Transfer	No		No	