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Status of the Heterotic String Optical Unification Investigation GERALD CLEAVER, JOHN PERKINS, BEN DUNDEE, RICHARD OBOUSY, MATT ROBINSON, Baylor University, STEPHANIE HATTEN, Walla Walla College, ERIC KASPER, Texas A&M, CASSEL SLOAN, College of Charleston, KRISTIN SLOAN, East Tennessee State University — A weakly coupled heterotic string model was recently constructed that offers the possibility of optical unification. Whether optical unification can be realized depends on the availability of anomalycanceling D- and F-flat directions meeting certain phenomenological requirements. This paper reports on the current status of a systematic investigation of the optical unification properties of a subset of flat directions of this model that are stringently flat.

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