Pat McCrory, Governor

\* Kieran J. Shanahan, Secretary

May 23, 2013

The Honorable Phil Berger President Pro-Tempore North Carolina Senate Legislative Building, Room 2008 Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

The Honorable Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
State Legislative Building, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Speaker Tillis and Senator Berger:

The Alcohol Law Enforcement Section is a participant in the Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property Program with the United States Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Treasury. As a result of participation in this program and the support of the Joint Legislative Commission on Government Operations, the Section has been able to provide valuable equipment and support to its members in the pursuit of its mission. The items included in this request are needed to enhance officer and public safety.

Pursuant to Section 16.1(a) of the Appropriations Act of 2011, this correspondence reports the Alcohol Law Enforcement Section's intent to use \$188,032.00 in Federal Asset Forfeiture funds to support the law enforcement and public safety purchases listed below. As of May 23, 2013, the balance of the Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds, not already approved for expenditure, held by the Section is \$838,355.49. If this request is approved, the new balance of this account will be \$650,323.49. Should you have any questions about any of these purchases, please contact my office at (919) 733-2126.

Sincerely,

Frank L. Perry.

Commissioner for Law Enforcement

CC:

Director Gregory K. Baker, ALE

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ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
Training: Training is an essential tool in the investigation and enforcement process. In order to maintain the highest level of efficiency and safety, continual training is paramount. This funding will allow specific training to accomplish Section goals through the ability of agents to attend training activities to enhance their ability to perform their given tasks at a higher level of proficiency. Areas of training include such things as search warrant preparation, criminal process, leadership, management, and advanced criminal investigations, which are essential for professional development and advancement of the Division's goals.	\$75,000.00
Clothing and Personal Protective Replaceable Equipment: The funds would be utilized to replace aging and worn out items that are issued to Special Agents. As an example of items which may be included in this, but not limited to, are boots, weapon holsters, rain gear, shirts pants, coats, jackets, bullet proof vests, protective goggles, and latex gloves.	\$25,000.00
Firearms Training Equipment: As sworn law enforcement officers, Alcohol Law Enforcement Agents have to be trained and be proficient in the use of firearms. In order to facilitate that training the Division would utilize the requested funds to purchase weapon accessories that enable the use of simulated projectiles with the current weapons issued to personnel. The funds would also be used to purchase the marking rounds to be utilized in training scenarios.	\$13,032.00
<b>Covert Funds:</b> Being sworn law enforcement officers, ALE Agents make controlled purchases of	\$75,000.00

illicit alcoholic beverages and controlled substances for administrative violations and criminal cases. The funds requested will be utilized in the nine districts to facilitate these purchases.		
٦	Total:	\$188,032.00

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