



# North Carolina Department of Public Safety

## State Highway Patrol

Pat McCrory, Governor  
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Commander

January 8, 2013

The Honorable Phil Berger  
President Pro-Tempore  
North Carolina Senate  
Legislative Building, Room 2007  
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 Senator Berger and Speaker Tillis:

Pursuant to Section 16.1 of the 2011 Appropriations Act, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol 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. With the support of the Joint Legislative Commission on Government Operations, the Highway Patrol has been able to provide lifesaving equipment and support to its members in the pursuit of its core mission—to ensure safe and efficient transportation on our streets and highways throughout North Carolina.

This correspondence reports the Highway Patrol's intent to use \$115,000 in Federal Asset Forfeiture funds to support the purchases listed below. As of December 31, 2012 the fund balance for the Highway Patrol's three forfeiture accounts, (2420 and 2425), was \$554,710.23. If this request is approved, the new balance of our forfeiture account revenue will equal \$439,710.23. If you have any questions about any of these purchases, please contact my office at (919) 825-2721.

Sincerely,

Kieran J. Shanahan  
Secretary

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cc: Colonel Michael W. Gilchrist  
First Sergeant J.D. Dodson  
Mr. Marvin L. Mervin  
Mrs. Marsha Overby

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ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
1. Train and equip 125 additional troopers with M&P-15 rifles. Approximately 590 field Troopers and Sergeants need to be trained and equipped with a rifle. The carbines are replacing the Beretta 12 gauge shotguns that are quickly becoming non-serviceable and no suitable replacement parts are available. The carbines afford greater standoff capabilities increasing officer safety, and allow officer entry into hostile environments with substantially more effective ammunition at hand.	<b>\$115,000.00</b>
<b>Total Request</b>	<b>\$115,000.00</b>

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