



North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety

Michael F. Easley, Governor

Bryan E. Beatty, Secretary

October 29, 2003

The Honorable Marc Basnight
President Pro-Tempore
North Carolina Senate
State Legislative Building, Room 2007
Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

The Honorable James B. Black
Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
State Legislative Building, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

The Honorable Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House
North Carolina House of Representatives
State Legislative Office Building, Suite 301
Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Dear Senator Basnight, Speaker Black, and Speaker Morgan:

Pursuant to Section 23.1 of the Current Operations Appropriations Act of 2001, the State Highway Patrol reports its intent to use \$ **65,794** in Federal Seizure funds from the Motor Carrier Enforcement (MCE) Section's Asset Forfeiture Fund for the following projects.

- 1) The Highway Patrol's MCE Section would like to request \$38,606 in Federal Seizure Funds to purchase one hundred (100) vehicular radio charging devices, (chargers). If this request is approved, these chargers will be installed in Motor Carrier Enforcement vehicles. These officers do not currently have any way to charge portable radios in their vehicles.

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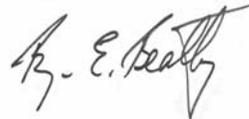


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- 2) In addition, the Patrol is requesting \$27,188 to pay for necessary upgrades to the actual radios that are currently in use by the MCE Section. 50 radios are in need of the upgrade so that the MCE Officers can communicate effectively with the "SmartZone" MTS3000 radios currently used by State Troopers.

The total cost for these two requests will be \$65,794. As of September 30 2003, the Motor Carrier Enforcement Section's Federal Seizure fund had an unencumbered balance of \$516,716. If this request is approved, the new balance of this fund will equal \$450,922.

Sincerely,



Bryan E. Beatty
Secretary

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