

North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety

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Bryan E. Beatty, Secretary

January 29, 2008

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

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

Reference: Report of intent to use federal forfeiture funds

Dear Senator Basnight and Speaker Hackney:

Pursuant to Section 15.3 of the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2007, the State Highway Patrol reports its intent to use \$329,484 in Federal Seizure funds toward the purchase of two-hundred fifty (250) tasers, support equipment, and extended warranties. Part of the funds reported in this request will be also be used to extend the warranties on taser units that are already in service.

The North Carolina State Highway Patrol started its taser one-year pilot program on 28 April 2005 with twenty-five (25) devices. Since that time, an additional one hundred (100) tasers have been purchased and placed in service with a minimum of two tasers per district.

The total cost of this request is \$329,484. If this request is approved, the new balance of this fund will equal \$1,516,157.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Bryan E. Beatty Secretary

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