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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
Legislative Building, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Senator Basnight, Speaker Hackney, and Members of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations:

As you may know, the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) participates in the Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property Program with the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Treasury. The SBI is grateful for the availability of federal forfeiture funds to enhance our law enforcement capabilities. Your support of these important efforts is greatly appreciated.

As of July 29, 2008, the SBI Federal Forfeiture Fund had an unencumbered balance of \$1,018,326.83. The SBI reports its intent to use \$330,149.00 leaving a balance of \$688,177.83 in our asset forfeiture account.

Pursuant to applicable law, the SBI reports its intent to use federal forfeiture funds as listed on the following pages.

Sincerely,

Robin P. Pendergraft/epf

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ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
<u>Four Firearms Comparison Microscopes</u> : These units will replace four aging Units in the Crime Lab.	\$120,000.00
<u>Crime Scene Drying Beds, Supplies and Equipment</u> : The drying beds, supplies and equipment will be used to dry and store evidence maintained at the field offices.	\$57,500.00
<u>25 800 MGH Radios</u> : The radios will enable Agents to communicate with other local, state and federal agencies throughout NC on the same frequencies.	\$87,500.00
<u>Northeastern District Project Costs</u> : A new district office is being leased in the Greenville area. The funds will be used to procure a security system, camera system, install network connectivity, outfit the office and provide relocation costs.	\$60,000.00
<u>Northwestern District Monitoring Room Outfitting</u> : The items will be used to outfit the new Northwestern District Monitoring room which will provide Agents the necessary equipment and furniture for day to day operations.	\$5,149.00
GRAND TOTAL:	\$330,149.00