



North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety

Beverly Eaves Perdue, Governor

Reuben F. Young, Secretary

January 11, 2010

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

Dear Senator Basnight and Speaker Hackney:

Pursuant to Section 16.2 of the 2009 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 life saving 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 \$707,362 in Federal Asset Forfeiture funds to support the purchases listed below. As of January 4, 2010, the fund balance for the Highway Patrol's three forfeiture accounts, (2420, 2425, and 2430), was \$3,631,024. If this request is approved, the new balance of our forfeiture account revenue will equal \$2,923,662. If you have any questions about any of these purchases, please contact my office at (919) 733-2126.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Reuben F. Young".

Reuben F. Young
Secretary

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ITEM REQUESTED	AMOUNT
1. Equip 200 additional troopers with a Taser unit. Since beginning its' ECD program in 2005, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol has 825 troopers equipped with Taser units. This purchase will include support equipment and extended warranties for the new purchases.	\$269,462.00
2. To purchase snow tires and related equipment for Highway Patrol vehicles. This equipment is essential for troopers to be able to respond to emergencies on snow and ice covered roads.	\$225,000.00
3. Upgrades to the Mobile Medical Unit. Since 2006 the Mobile Medical Unit has been utilized on a regular basis to conduct periodic fit-for-duty exams in the remote regions of North Carolina. Because of these deployments, over 200 troopers have been spared from having to travel to Raleigh, saves substantial amounts of fuel and allows troopers to remain in their duty stations and available for duty. This unit is also available for emergency deployments involving manmade and natural disasters. The unit itself requires an upgrade to its' diesel generator and electrical system, new brakes, tires, and updated medical equipment.	\$75,000.00
4. Funds in the amount of \$72,800.00 to offset the additional costs for the bullet-proof vests originally requested as a part of the April 17, 2009 Government Operational request. The request for bullet-proof vests was made before the announced cost of the approved vest was made official therefore the request was based on an estimate of \$600.00. After the state contract for bullet-proof vest was approved it was determined that that the actual cost per vest will be \$784.00. We have reduced the number of bullet-proof vest request to 559 vests due to the cancellation of one Basic Patrol School.	\$72,800.00
5. Use \$30,000.00 to offset mandatory training and travel costs associated with specialized training and leadership conferences during FY 2009-2010.	\$30,000.00
6. The purchase of 166 digital cameras for each Sergeant stationed in Troops A-H. These cameras will be used to assist with collision investigations, traffic safety programs, and enforcement actions. Seventeen cameras will be utilized by the Criminal Interdiction Unit in order to enhance their criminal investigations, and twenty cameras will be used for motor carrier size and weight operations.	\$34,100.00
7. Funds to purchase ballistic testing equipment. This equipment will allow the Highway Patrol's armory staff to test batches of ammunition that is bought in bulk to ensure quality control.	\$1,000.00
TOTAL REQUEST:	\$707,362.00