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

The Honorable Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House  
North Carolina House of Representatives  
Legislative Building, Room 2304  
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear President Pro Tem Berger, Speaker Moore, 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 June 30, 2017, the SBI Federal Forfeiture Fund had an unencumbered balance of \$1,201,959.14. The SBI reports its intent to use \$340,000.00, leaving a balance of \$861,959.14 in our asset forfeiture account.

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

Sincerely,

*Robert L. Schurmeier*  
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ITEMS REQUESTED	AMOUNT
<b><u>Rifle Systems:</u></b> Rifles to equip SBI special agents. System includes magazines, carrying cases, scopes, lighting systems and range finders.	\$75,000.00
<b><u>Ballistic (Bulletproof) Vests for SBI Special Agents:</u></b> New ballistic vests are needed to replace the ones currently issued to Special Agents. This is an agent safety issue.	\$220,000.00
<b><u>Special Agent Academy:</u></b> Meals, commercial lodging, and contractor provided training for attendees to SBI Special Agent Academy.	\$50,000.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	\$340,000.00