



North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety

Michael F. Easley, Governor

Bryan E. Beatty, Secretary

November 27, 2007

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 15.3 of the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2007, the State Highway Patrol reports its intent to use \$428,121 in Federal Seizure funds toward the purchase of one-hundred (100) 800 MHz portable radios along with the required operations equipment and accessories.

These radios are needed to facilitate the Patrol's transition to an 800 MHz interoperable radio system to provide interoperable voice communications capabilities between state, local, and federal authorities. The Patrol identified 500 troopers in need of an 800 MHz radio, and this need is included in the Patrol's 2007 Strategic Plan.

The total cost of this request is \$428,121. As of October 2007, the unencumbered balance of our forfeiture account was \$1,944,278. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan E. Beatty".

Bryan E. Beatty
Secretary

cc: Colonel W. Fletcher Clay
Mr. Bennie Aiken
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