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Mr. Gladwin Priest, Assistant Chief
Tar Heel Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc.
Post Office Box 420
Tar Heel, NC 28392

RE: State Grants from the Department of Insurance
State Fiscal Year 2006, \$4,911.16
State Fiscal Year 2007, \$8,437.76

Overview: Tar Heel Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc. (Tar Heel Rescue) is a non-profit agency that uses trained volunteers to assist with emergency rescue activities in Bladen County. Tar Heel Rescue has a grant with the North Carolina Department of Insurance, provided by the Office of the State Fire Marshall, for the purchase of protective and rescue equipment.

Dear Mr. Priest:

We have completed an examination employing certain limited procedures, as described below, related to Tar Heel Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc's management of State grant funds. Our objective was to identify whether or not deficiencies in internal control; instances of noncompliance with laws, regulations, and/or deficiencies in the management of financial resources existed based solely on the performance of these procedures.

These procedures do not constitute an audit, examination, or a review as described in professional standards governing those types of services. Furthermore, our procedures were not agreed upon by you or any third party. Our procedures do not provide a basis for providing any level of assurance regarding internal control, compliance or financial management and should not be relied upon for that purpose. Specifically, our procedures consisted of the following:

- Interviewing personnel;
- Examining accounting and other grant records for the purpose of identifying state grant transactions;
- Reviewing available policies and procedures; and
- Reviewing available board minutes.

The results of these procedures conducted August 8, 2007 did not disclose internal control deficiencies, instances of noncompliance and/or other matters of concern. Since no deficiencies, instances of noncompliance and/or other matters of concern were detected we do not require a response from your entity.

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This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the management of the Tar Heel Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc., the Governor, the General Assembly, and grantor agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leslie W. Merritt, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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CC: Commissioner Jim Long,
Department of Insurance