

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources



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****Confidential Correspondence****

Mr. Kevin A. Shwedo, Director
South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles
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Dear Director Shwedo,

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources is in the initial stage of investigating residency hunting and fishing license fraud. This investigation will need to involve a comparative analysis between the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources resident sporting license files and the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicle files. The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources would like to request a list from your agency's computer data base of individuals that have notified the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles that they have moved out of state since July 1, 2012. If possible, we would like this list to include an individual's *name, address, date of birth, and driver's license number*. The information from your agency's records will then be used as a common control to compare with SCDNR's in-house files for potential violations of South Carolina law. South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement staff will then explore the number of customers who purchased South Carolina resident hunting and fishing license AFTER notifying the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles they had moved out of our state.

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources law enforcement realize this investigation could potentially be a large undertaking however we have been notified that other states have recently begun the same type of investigation and initial information has revealed thousands of potential criminal violations. Based on possible agency revenue loss, criminal violations, and the fairness aspect of this case, we are committed to this investigation and humbly ask for your assistance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Additionally, our agency contact for this matter is Investigator John Lewis. He can be reached at (843)616-3661 or by email at LewisJ@dnr.sc.gov.

Thank you for consideration of this request. I look forward to receiving your response.

Sincerely,

Alvin Taylor, Director
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources