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Subject:

Good point. What if we include in the application something along the lines of "Even though South Carolina does not intend to comply with REAL ID, the state is still committed to more secure credentials. Therefore...."

Granted it will probably reduce the likelihood of success in receiving money, but it gives us shot and covers us for the future. Just a thought.

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Something for everyone to think about before we move forward.

Though I think DHS will waive the May 11 requirement for South Carolina driver's licenses, we maintain that state law says that we are not participating in the REAL ID program.

As such, does it make sense for South Carolina to request grant funding - knowing full well that argument will probably play back on us?

Or do you think DHS and others will simply not care about that.

Scott

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This is NGA's proposal for the Governors that are participating in Secretary Chertoff's working group. Apart from our looming deadline of Monday March 31st. The current grant deadline is April 4th. Let me know what you think of it.

Thanks,

Blair

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To: DHS REAL ID Governors Working Group

Re: Memo to Secretary Chertoff

Attached please find a draft memo/letter to Secretary Chertoff reflecting the recommendations staff outlined on Wednesday. We may have to move quickly since DHS will likely have to move the April 4 deadline for grant applications if our discussions are fruitful. Please pay special attention to the recommended package of actions and to the tone of the letter to ensure that they reflect your governor's position from the last call.

(AAMVA is developing a more comprehensive gap and price analysis. I do not, however, expect it to be done before this memo needs to be communicated to the Secretary.)

Thanks, DCQ