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Dear Fellow Government Official:

Your unit of government has the opportunity to gain statewide recognition by submitting a winning entry for the twenty-second annual "State Treasurer's Governmental Award for Excellence in Accounting and Financial Management." The award is designed to encourage North Carolina units of local government to upgrade their accounting and financial management systems and procedures. Awards will be given to those governmental units demonstrating the most improvement or improved transparency in accounting or financial management programs, systems, methods, and procedures during the 2010-11 fiscal year.

The Governmental Accounting and Auditing Committee of the North Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants will evaluate applications. Announcements of and presentations to the award winners will be made at the 2012 Spring NCGFOA Conference as well as at the winners' local board meetings.

All local governments and public authorities are urged to submit one or more entries for any significant improvement(s) or transparency strategy. Examples of submission-worthy improvements include capital asset control, cash management and investment policies, budgetary control, purchasing and inventory control, utilization of EDP equipment, financial reporting, and any other area of fiscal control and responsibility. Applications for the 2011 awards will be divided into categories based on unit size.

The attached application for the 2011 awards includes the entry form and rules. This information also is available on our website at www.nctreasurer.com. For more information, contact Yusador Gaye at (919) 807-2394.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet Cowell".

Janet Cowell

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