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TO:

Jeff Vonk, Director

Department of Natural Resources

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

2003 MODEL YEAR VEHICLE CAFE COMPLIANCE

Chapter 18.115 (4) of the Code of Iowa requires that the State Fleet Administrator and other state agencies, purchase new passenger automobiles and light trucks such that the average fuel efficiency of the fleet of new vehicles purchased for the model year meets or exceeds the corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) established for the model year by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. The CAFE standard established for the 2003 model passenger vehicles is 27.5 miles per gallon; the standard established for combined light trucks and ans is 20.7 miles per gallon.

The Fleet and Mail Division has completed the purchase of 2003 model passenger automobiles and light duty trucks and vans. The total number of new vehicles purchased is 233. Of this number, 91 units are exempted by Chapter 18.115(4) because they are utilized for law enforcement purposes or are rated over 8600 lbs. (GVWR).

The 63 passenger vehicles have a combined CAFE rating of 34.39 miles per gallon, exceeding the statute by over 6 miles per gallon. The 85 light trucks and vans have a combined average CAFE rating of 25.98 miles per gallon, exceeding the statutory minimum by over 5 miles per gallon.