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The Honorable Lacey E. Putney, Chairman House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan, Chairman Senate Finance Committee

Mr. David L. King, Chairman Virginia Wine Board

Re: Wine Liter Tax Collections

Gentlemen:

Item 383 C of the 2008 Appropriations Act requires that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board report for the prior fiscal year the dollar amount of total wine liter tax collections in Virginia; the portion, expressed in dollars, of such tax collections attributable to the sale of Virginia wine in both ABC stores and in private stores; and, the percentage of total wine liter tax collections attributable to the sale of Virginia wine.

In Fiscal Year 2007, the dollar amount of total wine liter tax collections in Virginia was \$31,095,638.08. Of that total, \$110,368.07 is attributable to the sale of Virginia wine in ABC stores, and \$1,270,335.53 is attributable to the sale of Virginia wine by private sellers. 4.1% of the total wine liter tax collections was attributable to the sale of Virginia wine.

Sincerely,

Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

By <u>W. Curtís Coleburn, III</u>
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