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The Honorable Lacey E. Putney, Chairman House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Charles J. Colgan, Chairman Senate Finance Committee

Mr. John "Rock" H. Stephens, Chairman Virginia Wine Board

Re: Wine Liter Tax Collections

Gentlemen:

Item 372 C of the 2010 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; expressed in dollars, of such tax collections in Virginia wine in both ABC store and in private stores and, the percentage of total wine liter tax collections attributable to the sale of Virginia wine.

In Fiscal Year 2011, the dollar amount of total wine liter tax collections in Virginia was \$35,475,254.70. Of that total, \$150,396.10 is attributable to the sale of Virginia wine in ABC stores, and \$1,628,690.08 is attributable to the sale of Virginia wine by private sellers. 5.0% of the total wine liter tax collections was attributable to the sale of Virginia wine.

Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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