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February 22, 1978

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The Honorable James B. Edwards
Governor of South Carolina
The State House
P. O. Box 11450
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Governor Edwards:

In keeping with Section 48-27-110, "Registration of Foresters", CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, I have the honor to submit the Annual Report of the State Board of Registration for Foresters for the fiscal year 1976-77.

Respectfully,

Marlin H. Bruner
Chairman

MHB:js

ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year 1976-77

Members of the Board during the fiscal year were:

Marlin H. Bruner, Chairman, Clemson, SC
*Walter T. Ahearn, Secretary, Columbia, SC
Robert F. Knoth, Charleston, SC
John V. Orr, Columbia, SC
Raymond B. Hawes, Walterboro, SC

*Mr. Ahearn's term expired May 31, 1977. On April 29, 1977 Governor Edwards appointed Claude F. Barden of Columbia to replace Mr. Ahearn with term to expire May 31, 1982.

The Board held two meetings during this year: September 21, 1976 and April 28, 1977. Both meetings were held in Columbia, South Carolina

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REGISTERED FORESTERS JUNE 30, 1977	513
REGISTERED FORESTERS DECEASED SINCE BOARD ESTABLISHMENT	31
REGISTERED FORESTERS FAILING TO RENEW SINCE BOARD ESTABLISHMENT	<u>77</u>
TOTAL APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION APPROVED TO DATE:	621

Section 48-27-190, "Registration of Foresters", CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, states: "The Board shall, each year, prior to issuing renewal notices for the ensuing year, fix the annual renewal fee for licenses, which fee shall not exceed the sum of ten dollars."

For the 1966-67 year the Board reduced the annual renewal fee from \$5.00, the rate it had been since the Board began, to \$3.00. By carefully watching operating costs and efficient management, the Board has been able to maintain the renewal fee at \$3.00 per year since 1966-67.

Effective July 1, 1976 all funds on deposit with the State Treasurer in the Foresters Registration Board Operating Revenue Account, which had been built up since the establishment of the Board were transferred to the State General Fund in the Comptroller General Fund Account \$8,688.16

After July 1, 1976 all revenues of the State Board of Registration for Foresters have been deposited with the State Treasurer to go into the State General Fund. The Board operates on state appropriated funds as specified in the General Appropriations Bill. The Board generates and returns to the General Fund, in the form of revenues derived from license fees, etc., at least the amount expended.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Deposited W/State Treasurer	\$1,966.00
Budget 1977-78	2,320.00
Expenditures July 1, 1976 - June 31, 1977	<u>662.12</u>
Balance returned to State General Fund	\$1,657.88
1977-78 Budget	
Per Diem	\$ 300.00
Contractual Services	1,045.00
Supplies	1,078.00
Fixed Charges and Contributions	<u>25.00</u>
	\$2,488.00