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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Chancellors

FROM: Charles Perusse *Charles E. Perusse*

SUBJECT: Spending Guidelines for the Remainder of FY 2012-13

On March 8, 2013, Governor McCrory issued a memorandum (see attached) to all State agencies directing them to implement a variety of spending restrictions for the remainder of FY 2012-13 because of Medicaid over-expenditures. The Office of State Budget and Management has clarified that these spending restrictions are expected to be implemented by State-supported institutions, including the University System. In cooperation to this directive, campuses should ensure the following measures are implemented:

- **Salary Adjustments:** No General Fund appropriation supported base salary increases may be granted except for promotions, retention or an increase in job duties.
- **Travel:** All General Fund appropriation supported travel should be limited to instances involving employees' routine, required job duties. Alternative forms of communication should be attempted in lieu of normal business travel where possible. All travel that has been authorized to date that is not part of an employee's routine, required job duties should be re-evaluated. Travel authorizations for which non-refundable costs have already been incurred may be honored. A limited number of staff may be approved to attend conferences and training sessions that have been contracted or otherwise obligated (i.e., a signed agreement with a hotel or similar vendor). Any additional meetings or conferences should be deferred until next fiscal year if the registration fees and associated travel would be supported by General Fund appropriations.
- **Purchasing:** The purchase of supplies and materials supported by General Fund appropriations should be closely monitored and limited to those that are essential to support the mission of the institution. The purchase of supplies and equipment for classroom instruction (including labs) and key technology initiatives may continue. All purchases above your delegated authority amount should adhere to the March 15, 2013 guidelines provided by the North Carolina Division of Purchase and Contract.

Unless otherwise notified, these measures will remain in effect through June 30, 2013. The Governor is allowing agencies and institutions to use professional judgment in implementing these restrictions. We appreciate everyone's cooperation with implementing these measures and the conscientious use of General Fund appropriation supported resources.

cc: Chief Financial Officers
Chief Academic Officers
Chief Human Resource Officers