April 30, 2002

Dear Country Director of Social Services

Subject: Information Regarding Children Entering DSS Custody for the First Time between July 1, 2000 and June 30, 2001 by Judicial District

Attached you will find the above report, which provides information regarding children who entered DSS custody or placement responsibility for the first time during SFY 2000-01 by Judicial District. The report should be helpful in working with your court system on issues regarding the demographics of children coming into foster care and how long they are remaining in your custody. You may want to compare the demographics of children coming into care with the demographics of the general population in the county ages 17 and under. This county-specific information is available at http://demog.state.nc.us (click on “county projected age group totals).

We welcome any comments or suggestions regarding this report. If you need assistance in analyzing this report, or have additional questions please contact Adolph Simmons, Jr. at (919) 733-4622. We greatly appreciate your commitment to the children and families of North Carolina.

Sincerely,

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