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Subject: Vehicle Pursuit Report for 2006

Re: CALEA standard

The New Bern Police Department is required by CALEA standards to prepare an annual assessment of reported Vehicle Pursuits to identify training needs with respect to vehicle pursuits. Therefore this report is submitted to document this assessment.

Analysis:

During 2006 a total of **two (2) vehicle pursuits** were filed by the officers. When compared to the total number of calls for service (54,431) in 2006, **Pursuits were a factor in .004 %** of the total calls for service. When compared the total number of Vehicle pursuits, one (2) to the total number of vehicle stops (7,209), **pursuits were a factor in 0.03% of the total number of vehicle stops in 2006.**

Assessment:

The low percentage of reported incidents, in comparison to the total number of vehicle stops, indicate that the officers are relying on their training. Statistical analysis of vehicle pursuits reports shows that officers are generally making sound decisions with respect to the departments policies and philosophy concerning vehicle pursuit options.

Recommendations:

This assessment did not reveal any significant areas of concern for the department in the area of use of vehicle pursuits or our current training outline as it pertains to vehicle pursuits. As long as the training section continues to provide the quality of in service training in the area of vehicle pursuit policy we should not expect to see an increase in this area.

