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Dear FOP Vehicle Tag Owner:

The South Carolina State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police has been informed that you are displaying a FOP tag number _____. We have been informed that there might be a possibility that you are in possession of this tag illegally. The Fraternal Order of Police has the only law enforcement organization tag in the state of South Carolina.

You **must** be an active FOP member to be able to display this tag on your vehicle. The Department of Motor Vehicles requires that an active FOP member show a current membership card to receive one of these tags. Also, S.C. code of laws 56-3-5400 (A) addresses someone who has a FOP tag illegally and requires that "A person who knowingly fails to surrender his license plate pursuant to this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, may be fined one hundred dollars or sentenced to thirty days in jail, or both".

If you are an active FOP member in South Carolina or a retired FOP member from another state, then please send us a copy of your membership card. If you were a member but let your membership lapse, then immediately contact your previous lodge to reactivate your membership. If you are a full time law enforcement officer but have never been a member of a FOP lodge, then contact us immediately to learn of your closest FOP lodge to obtain membership. If you do not fit any of these categories, then go to your local DMV and obtain a regular tag and do not display the FOP tag anymore. I believe the DMV will allow you to keep the FOP tag but you will not be able to display it anymore.

Please contact us within 15 days of the mailing date and let us know which action you choose. If you have not contacted us within the 15 day period, we will assume that you are displaying the tag illegally and will take appropriate action.

Please mail your response to FOP Tag, 220 Coachman Dr., Lexington, SC 29072 or you may call 866-347-2367.

Sincerely,

Jerry Wright
State President

David McClure
State Secretary