State of North Carolina

County of CHATHAM

APPENDIX A CERTIFIED STATEMENT FY 2002 - 2003

RURAL OPERATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Whereas Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation as the agency responsible for administering all federal and/or state programs related to public transportation, and grants the department authority to do all things required in applicable federal and/or state legislation to properly administer the public transportation programs within the State of North Carolina;

WHEREAS, G.S. 136-44.27 established the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program;

WHEREAS, funds will be used for transportation related expenditures as specified in the FY 2002 - 2003 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) application.

WHEREAS, if applicable, funds will be used for transportation related expenditures as specified in the FY 2002 - 2003 Discretionary Rural General Public Program application.

This is certify that the undersigned is duly elected, qualified and acting chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Chrhhrom, North Carolina, and that the following statements are true and accurate:

Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program

- 1. The funds received from G.S. 135-44.27 will be used to provide additional transportation services for the elderly and disabled, exceeding the quantity of trips provided prior to receipt of the funds.
- 2. The funds will not be used to supplant existing federal, state or local funds designated to provide elderly and disabled transportation services in the county.
- 3. The funds received will be used in a manner consistent with the local Transportation Development Plan (TDP) or Community Transportation Services Plan (CTSP) and application approved by the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the Board of Commissioners.

Work First Transitional/Employment Transportation Assistance Program

1. The purpose of these transportation funds is to support transitional transportation needs of Work First participants after eligibility for cash assistance has concluded and/other specified general public employment transportation needs. The funds may be transferred to the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program or the Rural General Public Program if not needed for Work First transportation.

2. The funds are limited to use by the designated local entity(s) specified in the ROAP application, or any revisions or amendments thereto.

Rural General Public Program

- 1. The funds will be used in a manner consistent with the local Rural General Public Transportation Services Plan.
- 2. Information regarding use of the funds will be provided at such time and in such a manner as the department may require.
- 3. ROAP funds will be used to provide eligible services during the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.
- 4. Any interest earned on ROAP funds will be expended for eligible program uses as specified in the ROAP application.
- 5. The County will include ROAP funds received and expended in its annual independent audit on the schedule of federal and state financial assistance. Funds passed through to other agencies will be identified as such.

Note that the signatures on this statement should be those of three (3) separate individuals.