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The Honorable James R. Wagoner Presiding Judge, El Dorado County Grand Jury 495 Main Street Placerville, California 95667

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RE: Response to Grand Jury Report, GJ 07-014/Victim Restitution.

The Honorable James R. Wagoner:

This office has received and reviewed a Report by the 2007-2008 Grand Jury addressing Victim Restitution, including Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations. Please find below the Sheriff's Office response to those Findings and Recommendations relevant to the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's Response to Specific Findings

- The Sheriff agrees with this finding.
- 2. The Sheriff agrees with this finding.

Sheriff's Response to Specific Recommendations

1. This recommendation has been implemented in part. Over the last several months, Sheriff's Office personnel have met with representatives of the District Attorney's Office to explore mutual opportunities to improve the County's restitution program.

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- This recommendation has been implemented in part. The District
 Attorney has instituted polices regarding victim contact and restitution.
 However, the use of the Sheriff's STAR volunteers will require further
 analysis as they are a volunteer group, prompting challenges in the
 way of scheduling, training and confidentiality.
- This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not reasonable. There are currently no legal provisions that allow the Sheriff to seize money on deposit in the offenders trust account, also known as an inmate account in the Commissary File.

Sincerely,

Sheriff - Coroner

Public Administrator

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