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Ms. Marty Garrity, Director
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Dear Ms. Garrity:

In compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. § 25-10-118, we are submitting a semi-annual report on the performance and progress of the Child Support Program for the period July 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.

If you need additional information or have questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan McVey".

Alan McVey
Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Larry Walther, DFA Director
Carla Haugen, DFA Deputy Director
Walter Anger, Deputy Director & Commissioner of Revenue
Paul Gehring, Assistant Commissioner of Revenue for Policy/Legal

**Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program
July 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016**

The following information is submitted in compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. §25-10-118 and summarizes certain activities of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) for the six-month period ending December 31, 2015.

- A. **Hospital Based Paternity Acknowledgment** - This program was established in October 1993 to provide information to unwed parents, while still in the hospital for childbirth, of the benefits of establishing paternity. Hospital staff assists them in completion of the necessary paperwork to acknowledge paternity if that is the parent's desire.

Paternity Acknowledgments Received

<u>07/01/15 - 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
4,495	5247	+ 16.72 %

- B. **License Suspension Program** - The Office of Child Support Enforcement is authorized to suspend driver's licenses, game and fish licenses, professional and business licenses, and vehicle tags of non-custodial parents if certain conditions exist on a case.

Driver's Licenses Suspended

<u>07/01/15- 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
3,675	3798	+3.34%

Game and Fish Licenses Suspended

<u>07/01/15 - 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
1,034	1140	+10.25%

Professional/Business Licenses Suspended

<u>07/01/15 - 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
347	455	+31.2%

Vehicle Tags Suspended

<u>07/01/15- 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
589	588	-0.16%

C. Enforcement

	<u>12/31/15</u>	<u>12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Cases	107,331	103,773	-3.31%
New Cases Opened	10,773	9,049	-16.0%

D. Collections

	<u>07/01/15 - 12/31/15</u>	<u>07/01/16 - 12/31/16</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Collections	\$120,942,761	\$118,614,535	-1.9%
Non-Enforcement Collections	\$22,366,991	\$ 20,949,474	-6.3%
Total Collections	\$143,309,752	\$139,564,009	-2.61%