## MEMORANDUM

TO:

CAROL RASCO PAT GRIFFIN MARCIA HALE

FROM:

KEITH MASON

JOHN HART

DATE:

APRIL 12, 1994

SUBJECT: MEETING WITH GOVERNOR JIM HUNT (D-NC)

As previously indicated, Governor Hunt will be meeting with all of us tomorrow, Wednesday at 11:00 A.M. in Carol Rasco's office. Carol has scheduled a pre-meeting in her office at 10:40 to discuss this meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is to allow Governor Hunt to discuss the political dynamics of the proposed federal excise taxes on tobacco products in North Carolina. Specifically, he will emphasize his concerns about the potential loss of North Carolina's Democratic seats in the House and the potential economic damage to the state of North Carolina.

The Governor would like to hear about the status of current discussions with members of the Ways and Means Committee, Congressman Charlie Rose and other North Carolina members. He wants to give Pat some of his ideas on possible compromises.