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**NC ABC COMMISSION TAKES ACTION ON 63 HEARING CASES;  
APPROVES ANDREWS, CATAWBA AND CHATHAM ABC STORES**

RALEIGH – During its regular monthly meeting today, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission took action on 63 hearing violations, approved ABC store locations requested by the Andrews, Catawba County and Chatham County ABC Boards and approved publication of a permanent rule change affecting imports and sales of certain French wines.

During the hearings, the Commission imposed penalties and fines of approximately \$75,000 on representatives of retail bars, restaurants, groceries and clubs found to be in violation of ABC laws and rules. In addition to the fines, many of the violations resulted in suspensions of permits for five days or more. The fines are to be paid by July 6, 2012, with suspensions beginning July 13, 2012. Fines benefit the local school systems where the violations occurred.

**ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION**

North Carolina is one of 19 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state. The Commission oversees more than 25,000 permits allowing alcohol sales by more than 17,000 retail outlets across the state and applies its regulatory authority to benefit public health, public safety and fair commercial regulation of alcohol products. For more information see <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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