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Mr. David Ferguson, Director  
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Dear Mr. Ferguson:

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 January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2009.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan McDonald", written in a cursive style.

Dan McDonald  
Administrator

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Enclosure

cc: Richard Weiss, DFA Director  
Tim Leathers, DFA Deputy Director  
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**Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program**  
**January 1, 2009, through June 30, 2009**

The following information is submitted in compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. §25-10-118 and summarizes certain aspects of the performance and progress of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) for the six-month period ending June 30, 2009.

- 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>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
5,409	5,338	-1.3%

- 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>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
3,073	3,478	+13.2%

**Game and Fish Licenses Suspended**

<u>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
714	849	+18.9%

**Professional/Business Licenses Suspended**

<u>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
340	442	+30.0%

**Vehicle Tags Suspended**

<u>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
784	1,036	+32.1%

**C. Enforcement**

	<u>06/30/08</u>	<u>06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Cases	122,573	120,924	-1.3%
New Cases Opened	18,774	19,824	+5.6%

**D. Collections**

	<u>01/01/08 – 06/30/08</u>	<u>01/01/09 – 06/30/09</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Enforcement Collections	\$112,577,795	\$122,784,803	+9.1%
Non-Enforcement Collections	\$25,927,097	\$25,128,162	-3.1%
Total Collections	\$138,504,892	\$147,912,965	+6.8%