IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINADEC 21 PM 5: 03

CHARLOTTE DIVISION

3:01CV205-MCK

3:98mc96-Mck

W. DIST. OF N.C.

Plaintiffs, )

V.

U.S. DIST. OF N.C.

W. DIST. OF N.C.

ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES

Defendants )

of the district court, the sealed seizure action regarding the funds at issue in the instant case was transferred to this court for consideration with the instant case. See Document 9, 3:98mc96. As the seizure action has now been ordered unsealed, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT both actions (3:98mc96 and 3:01cv205) are consolidated.

Further, a motion for return of property is pending in the seizure action. In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to respond, the time for response is hereby extended to January 7, 2002.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this

day of December, 2001.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE