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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## SCDCA RETURNS TO SUMMERVILLE ON OCTOBER 9, 2008

Columbia, SC......The South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (SCDCA) will visit the Summerville community on Thursday, October 9, 2008, to handle consumer complaints and questions. SCDCA staff will pay a visit to Dorchester County Council Chambers located at 500 North Main Street in Summerville, SC 29306. Consumers may come with questions or complaints regarding a business between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Individuals are encouraged to bring documentation with them.

Mr. Crofoot will have additional materials available on car buying, repairs, and repossession. "Year after year, these issues are at the top of complaint list. We help one consumers only to turn around and see another deceptive advertise or loophole hook another. There are so many details involved in car buying and car repair. Our job is to help make consumers aware of the ones that could end up costing them," said Crofoot. Information will be available on what to look for when buying a new or used car, when signing a repair contract, and when dealing with other related issues.

The Department will continue to visit the Summerville community on a regular basis. Locations will be announced monthly. The Department services the entire state via telephone and online help. Specific questions and concerns from the Summerville community may be addressed to the Consumer Services Division Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. by calling 803.734.4200 or toll-free at 1.800.922.1594.

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