## 20 NCAC 03 .0410 EXEMPTION FROM DISBURSEMENT CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

(a) To qualify for an exemption from the disbursement certificate requirement in G.S. 159-28(d1) and G.S. 115C-441(d1) for electronic payments, a local government, public authority, or local school administrative unit, herein referred to as "the unit," shall do the following:

- (1) The unit's governing board shall adopt a resolution authorizing the unit to engage in electronic payments as defined by G.S. 159-28 or G.S. 115C-441; and
- (2) The unit's governing board, or finance officer if authorized by the governing board, shall adopt a written policy outlining procedures for disbursing public funds by electronic transaction. The written policy and the procedures shall provide internal controls that shall ensure the following:
  - (A) that the amount claimed is payable;
  - (B) that there is a budget, project, or grant ordinance appropriation authorizing the expenditure;
  - (C) that monies remain within the appropriation to cover the amount that is due during the current fiscal year if accounted for in the budget ordinance, or to cover the entire amount if accounted for in a project or grant ordinance; and
  - (D) that the unit has sufficient cash to cover the payment.

(b) Units that comply with Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this Rule shall not be required to affix the disbursement certificate required in G.S. 159-28 (d1) or G.S. 115C-441 (d1) to any electronic payments.

History Note: Authority G.S. 159-28(f)(3); 115C-441(f)(3); Eff. November 1, 2017.