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Miller within striking distance of Dole

Raleigh, N.C. – According to a Public Policy Polling survey released today, if Congressman Brad Miller were to challenge Senator Elizabeth Dole in a 2008 race for the U.S. Senate he could be competitive. The survey of likely general election voters in North Carolina reveals that 44% of voters would choose Dole today and 33% would choose Miller, while 22% are undecided.

The poll results show signs that Miller may not have strong state-wide name recognition. “More than a quarter of Democrats and African-Americans were undecided. If Miller is the Democratic nominee he should be able to count on stronger support from these groups,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling.

“The key here is that Dole is below the 50% as an incumbent. That makes her vulnerable.”

The poll also revealed voters attitudes toward the proposed Navy outlying landing field or OLF in Washington County. Thirty-two percent of respondents support the proposed OLF, while 47% oppose it.

PPP surveyed 556 likely general election voters on April 11. The survey has a margin of error of $\pm 4.1\%$. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

Complete results are attached and can be found at www.publicpolicypolling.com. These include crosstabs breaking down the results by gender, party affiliation, race, age, and favorite college sports team—a fun feature added to this latest poll.

If you have questions about this release or would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.

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NC Survey Results

Q1 Do you support or oppose the construction of an outlying landing field or OLF for U.S. Navy Jets in Washington County, North Carolina. If you support the construction of the OLF, press 1 on your keypad now. If opposed, press 2. If you don't know, press 3.

Support32% *Don't know*21%
Oppose47%

Q2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling his job as President? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you are undecided, press 3.

Approve40% *Undecided* 5%
Disapprove55%

Q3 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Senator Elizabeth Dole is handling her job as Senator? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you are undecided, press 3.

Approve43% *Undecided*17%
Disapprove40%

Q4 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Mike Easley is handling his job as Governor? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you are undecided, press 3.

Approve46% *Undecided*16%
Disapprove38%

Q5 In 2008 Elizabeth Dole will be running for a second term as U.S. Senator. No Democrat has announced they will run against her. If Congressman Brad Miller were to challenge her, who would you vote for? If you would vote for Elizabeth Dole, press 1. If for Brad Miller, press 2. If you don't know, press 3.

Dole 44% *Undecided* 22%
Miller 33%

Q6 North Carolina has loyal and devoted college sports fans. Which North Carolina college team do you cheer for most? Duke, NC State, UNC or Wake Forest? If you cheer for Duke, press 1. If NC State, press 2. If UNC, press 3. If Wake Forest, press 4. If some other team, press 5.

Duke 18% *Wake Forest* 5%
NC State 26% *Other* 16%
UNC 35%

Q7 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women51% *Men*49%

Q8 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If Republican, press 2. If other, press 3.

Democrat41% *Other*20%
Republican38%

Q9 If you are white, press 1. If African-American, press 2. If Hispanic, press 3. If other, press

White77% *Other* 6%
Black17%

Q10 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If 46 to 60, press 3. If older than 60, press 4.

18-2910% *46-60*34%
30-4523% *Older than 60*33%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
OLF			
Support	32%	25%	40%
Oppose	47%	49%	44%
Don't know	21%	26%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Bush Job Approval			
Approve	41%	35%	47%
Disapprove	55%	59%	49%
Undecided	5%	6%	4%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Dole Approval			
Approve	44%	42%	45%
Disapprove	40%	39%	40%
Undecided	17%	19%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Easley Job Approval			
Approve	46%	47%	45%
Disapprove	38%	34%	43%
Undecided	16%	19%	12%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Dole v. Miller			
Dole	45%	45%	45%
Miller	33%	32%	33%
Undecided	22%	23%	22%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Favorite College Team			
Duke	18%	21%	16%
NC State	26%	23%	29%
UNC	35%	35%	34%
Wake Forest	6%	7%	4%
Other	16%	14%	18%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
OLF				
Support	32%	19%	44%	34%
Oppose	47%	62%	32%	45%
Don't know	21%	19%	24%	20%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Bush Job Approval				
Approve	40%	15%	70%	36%
Disapprove	55%	80%	26%	57%
Undecided	5%	5%	4%	8%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Dole Approval				
Approve	43%	29%	64%	32%
Disapprove	40%	49%	23%	55%
Undecided	17%	21%	14%	14%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Easley Job Approval				
Approve	46%	64%	29%	42%
Disapprove	38%	21%	57%	37%
Undecided	16%	15%	14%	21%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Dole v. Miller				
Dole	44%	26%	70%	33%
Miller	33%	48%	15%	38%
Undecided	22%	26%	15%	29%

	Base	Party affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Favorite College Team				
Duke	18%	16%	21%	17%
NC State	26%	26%	25%	25%
UNC	35%	41%	30%	31%
Wake Forest	5%	6%	6%	3%
Other	16%	10%	18%	24%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
OLF				
Support	32%	31%	33%	40%
Oppose	47%	48%	43%	43%
Don't know	21%	21%	24%	17%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Bush Job Approval				
Approve	40%	44%	22%	48%
Disapprove	55%	52%	72%	36%
Undecided	5%	4%	7%	17%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Dole Approval				
Approve	43%	46%	28%	50%
Disapprove	40%	41%	37%	33%
Undecided	17%	13%	35%	17%

	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Easley Job Approval				
Approve	46%	46%	48%	50%
Disapprove	38%	40%	28%	36%
Undecided	16%	14%	24%	14%





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		White	Black	Other
Dole v. Miller				
Dole	44%	48%	26%	48%
Miller	33%	31%	43%	29%
Undecided	22%	20%	30%	24%

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		White	Black	Other
Favorite College Team				
Duke	18%	19%	17%	14%
NC State	26%	27%	22%	21%
UNC	35%	32%	48%	36%
Wake Forest	5%	6%	7%	-
Other	16%	17%	7%	29%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
OLF					
Support	32%	35%	38%	28%	30%
Oppose	47%	53%	42%	48%	48%
Don't know	21%	12%	21%	24%	22%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Bush Job Approval					
Approve	40%	38%	33%	44%	40%
Disapprove	55%	57%	62%	50%	54%
Undecided	5%	5%	4%	5%	6%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Dole Approval					
Approve	43%	45%	34%	45%	47%
Disapprove	40%	45%	44%	39%	36%
Undecided	17%	11%	22%	15%	17%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Easley Job Approval					
Approve	46%	43%	47%	45%	48%
Disapprove	38%	39%	34%	39%	38%
Undecided	16%	17%	19%	16%	14%

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Dole v. Miller					
Dole	44%	42%	36%	46%	50%
Miller	33%	44%	32%	37%	27%
Undecided	22%	14%	32%	18%	23%

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Favorite College Team					
Duke	18%	17%	16%	16%	22%
NC State	26%	29%	20%	30%	24%
UNC	35%	42%	37%	33%	34%
Wake Forest	5%	-	4%	5%	8%
Other	15%	12%	22%	16%	11%





Crosstabs

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		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
OLF						
Support	32%	33%	34%	32%	25%	30%
Oppose	47%	46%	48%	49%	40%	45%
Don't know	21%	21%	18%	20%	35%	25%

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Bush Job Approval						
Approve	40%	41%	50%	34%	34%	39%
Disapprove	55%	56%	47%	60%	60%	53%
Undecided	5%	3%	3%	7%	7%	8%

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Dole Approval						
Approve	43%	46%	52%	35%	56%	38%
Disapprove	40%	40%	39%	44%	28%	38%
Undecided	17%	15%	9%	21%	16%	24%

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Approve	46%	47%	44%	50%	53%	39%
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		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Dole v. Miller						
Dole	44%	55%	50%	40%	40%	35%
Miller	33%	30%	38%	35%	28%	26%
Undecided	22%	15%	12%	25%	32%	39%

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Gender						
Women	51%	58%	46%	53%	69%	45%
Men	49%	42%	54%	47%	31%	55%

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Party affiliation						
Democrat	41%	37%	43%	49%	48%	26%
Republican	38%	44%	38%	33%	40%	44%
Other	20%	19%	19%	18%	12%	30%

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Race						
White	77%	79%	81%	71%	80%	82%
Black	17%	16%	14%	23%	20%	7%
Other	6%	5%	5%	6%	-	11%



Crosstabs

	Base	Favorite College Team				
		Duke	NC State	UNC	Wake Forest	Other
Age						
18-29	10%	9%	11%	12%	-	7%
30-45	23%	21%	18%	24%	18%	32%
46-60	34%	30%	40%	32%	31%	37%
Older than 60	33%	40%	31%	32%	50%	24%