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Revenue Remains in Line with Budgeted Growth Rates

TRENTON – Four months into the fiscal year, collections from New Jersey's major revenue sources total \$6.89 billion, 5.6 percent higher than year-ago totals and in line with the Fiscal Year 2015 budgeted growth rate of 5.2 percent.

Year-over-year revenues for the month of October match the yearly growth rate of 5.2 percent, with solid collection totals from several sources including Corporation Business Tax and Transfer Inheritance Tax.

"We note that year-to-date growth continues to track our projected growth rate," said Treasurer Andrew Sidamon-Eristoff. "However, we are only a third of the way into the fiscal year and remain mindful of the potential for volatility with respect to some of the major revenue categories going forward."

While October Gross Income Tax collections rose 6.6 percent year-to-date compared to the 4.8 percent budgeted growth rate, monthly revenue from this source increased only 2.8 percent from October 2013. The lower monthly growth rate reflects lower final settlements made in conjunction with taxpayers' filing extended returns for 2013 by the October 15 deadline.

Revenues from the Corporation Business Tax are up approximately 25 percent, ahead of the 6.5 percent budgeted growth rate. Gross Income Tax, Corporation Business Tax and Sales Tax make

up New Jersey's three largest revenue sources. Although Sales Tax revenues have grown 3.4 percent over the first four months of Fiscal Year 2015, lagging the 5.5 percent budgeted growth rate, monthly collections from this source rose 5.3 percent compared to October 2013. This follows monthly increases year-over-year of only 2 percent in September and 2.8 percent in August.

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY MONTH AND YEAR-TO-DATE CASH COLLECTIONS Fiscal Year 2015 - OCTOBER 2014 versus 2013

(\$ Thousands)

OCTOBER				%		OCTOBER YTD			TD	%	FY 2015 Projected *
 2013		2014		Change			2013		2014	Change	Growth Rate
\$ 880,491	\$	905,105		2.8%	Gross Income Tax	\$	2,825,786	\$	3,011,170	6.6%	4.8%
768,602		809,293		5.3%	Sales		2,211,285		2,287,023	3.4%	5.5%
93,095		105,471		13.3%	Corporation Business		526,695		662,522	25.8%	6.5%
71,811		78,229		8.9%	Lottery		312,017		283,368	(9.2%)	7.4%
46,651		43,372		(7.0%)	Motor Fuels		128,775		132,657	3.0%	0.9%
**		-		-	Motor Vehicle Fees (b)		-		-	-	1.3%
60,022		85,141		41.8%	Transfer Inheritance		226,616		243,944	7.6%	6.0%
15,285		17,657	(c)	15.5%	Casino Revenue		74,048		73,802	(0.3%)	17.6%
661		3,509		430.9%	Insurance Premium		18,623		14,607	(21.6%)	6.8%
**		-		-	Cigarette (a)				-		-20.0%
17,756		19,528		10.0%	Petroleum Products Gross Receipts		62,086		55,956	(9.9%)	0.9%
18,535		4,316		(76.7%)	Corp. Banks & Financial Institutions		54,552		30,697	(43.7%)	6.6%
668		(172))	(125.7%)	Alcoholic Beverage Excise		16,335		16,220	(0.7%)	1.9%
19,908		25,611	(d)	28.6%	Realty Transfer		68,597		78,750	14.8%	18.7%
1,839		1,997		8.6%	Tobacco Products Wholesale Sales (a)		6,069		6,791	11.9%	-
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\$ 1,995,324	\$	2,099,057	-	5.2%	Total Major Revenues	\$	6,531,484	\$	6,897,507	5.6%	5.2%
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⁽a) Pursuant to P.L. 06-37, revenue collections of \$396.5 million from the cigarette and tobacco products wholesale sales tax are deposited in the Health Care Subsidy Fund. Pursuant to P.L. 04-69 \$0.0325 per cigarette is dedicated to pay debt service on the Cigarette Securitization Bonds.

⁽b) Pursuant to P.L. 03-13, \$250.3 million of FY 2015 Motor Vehicle Fee collections are dedicated to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

⁽c) YTD reflects a \$6.7 million bringback adjustment from FY2015 to FY2014.

⁽d) YTD reflects a \$7.4 million reclass to assessments greater that \$1 million.

^{*} Projected annual growth rate is the change from the FY 2014 certified revenues to the 2015 AA revenues.