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Deal: November revenues up 4.3 percent

Gov. Nathan Deal announced today that Georgia's net tax collections for November totaled nearly \$1.46 billion, an increase of approximately \$60.5 million, or 4.3 percent, compared to November 2013. Year-to-date, net tax revenue collections totaled \$7.7 billion, which was an increase of \$359 million, or 4.9 percent, compared to the previous fiscal year, when net tax revenues totaled \$7.34 billion after five months. Year-to-date gross tax revenues, before refunds and distributions to local governments, totaled \$10.1 billion, which was an increase of nearly \$523 million, or 5.4 percent, compared to November 2013.

The following changes within the various tax categories led to the overall net revenue increase in November:

Individual Income Tax: Individual Income Tax collections for November totaled nearly \$747.75 million, up from \$694.25 million in November 2013, for an increase of \$53.5 million, or 7.7 percent.

The following notable components within Individual Income Tax account for the net increase:

• Individual Income Tax Withholding payments were up \$44 million, or 6.2 percent

• Individual Income Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were down \$20.5 million, or - 39.8 percent

• All other Individual categories including Return & Estimated payments were down a combined \$11 million

<u>Sales and Use Tax</u>: Gross Sales Tax collections for November increased roughly \$46.25 million, or 5.8 percent, compared to FY 2014. In addition, net Sales & Use Tax collections increased \$14.5 million, or 3.4 percent, over the previous year, when net Sales Tax totaled nearly \$423.5 million. The adjusted distribution of sales tax to local and county governments totaled \$399.25 million, which was an increase of \$24.75 million compared to last year. Lastly, Sales Tax refunds increased almost \$7 million compared to last year, when just \$1.5 million in refunds were processed.

<u>Corporate Income Tax</u>: Corporate Income Tax collections for November increased nearly \$1.6 million, or 169.7 percent, compared to last year, when net Corporate Tax revenues totaled approximately \$0.925 million.

The following notable components within Corporate Income Tax make up the increase:

• Corporate Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were up \$0.25 million, or 0.9 percent

• Corporate Income Tax Return payments increased \$1.55 million, or 16.8 percent

• All other Corporate Tax categories combined for an increase of \$0.275 million compared to FY 14

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Comparative Summary of Net Revenue Collections

(unaudited - 000's)

	For the Month Ended						
	November 2014 (FY 2015)		November 2013 (FY 2014)		\$ Change		% Change
Tax Revenues:							
Income Tax - Individual:	\$	747,680	\$	694,240	\$	53,440	7.7%
Sales and Use Tax - General:							
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$	845,443	\$	799,307	\$	46,136	5.8%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$	(399,293)	\$	(374,495)	\$	(24,798)	-6.6%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$	(8,311)	\$	(1,440)	\$	(6,871)	-477.3%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$	437,839	\$	423,373	\$	14,467	3.4%
Motor Fuel Taxes:							
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$	46,704	\$	50,163	\$	(3,459)	-6.9%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$	37,112	\$	39,622	\$	(2,510)	-6.3%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$	83,816	\$	89,785	\$	(5,969)	-6.6%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$	2,518	\$	934	\$	1,584	169.7%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$	18,065	\$	19,257	\$	(1,192)	-6.2%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$	15,723	\$	14,858	\$	865	5.8%
Estate Tax	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Property Tax	\$	6,922	\$	10,496	\$	(3,574)	-34.1%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$	84,297	\$	70,147	\$	14,150	20.2%
Total Tax Revenues	\$	1,396,860	\$	1,323,089	\$	73,771	5.6%
Other Revenues:							
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$	60,146	\$	73,491	\$	(13,345)	-18.2%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$	1,457,007	\$	1,396,580	\$	60,427	4.3%

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GENERAL FUND	FY 2015		FY 2014			\$ Change	
Tax Revenues:							
Income Tax - Individual	\$	4,015,663	\$	3,805,484	\$	210,179	5.5%
Sales and Use Tax - General:							
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$	4,275,168	\$	4,026,433	\$	248,735	6.2%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$	(2,010,541)	\$	(1,880,794)	\$	(129,747)	-6.9%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$	(32,641)	\$	(45,423)	\$	12,782	28.1%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$	2,231,986	\$	2,100,216	\$	131,770	6.3%
Motor Fuel Taxes:							
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$	232,207	\$	245,280	\$	(13,073)	-5.3%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$	188,514	\$	191,287	\$	(2,774)	-1.4%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$	420,720	\$	436,567	\$	(15,847)	-3.6%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$	227,029	\$	240,571	\$	(13,542)	-5.6%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$	91,221	\$	93,283	\$	(2,062)	-2.2%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$	77,590	\$	74,167	\$	3,424	4.6%
Estate Tax	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Property Tax	\$	12,288	\$	20,554	\$	(8,267)	-40.2%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$	474,030	\$	426,961	\$	47,069	11.0%
Total Tax Revenues	\$	7,550,528	\$	7,197,803	\$	352,725	4.9%
Other Revenues:							
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$	148,876	\$	142,652	\$	6,224	4.4%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$	7,699,405	\$	7,340,455	\$	358,949	4.9%

Footnotes:

1. The Local Distribution is adjusted with an accrual to reflect payment activity that occurs after the actual distribution (3 business days prior to the end of a month).

2. "Other Fees & Taxes" include payments that have been deposited in the bank, but for which returns may not yet have been processed. These undistributed tax

amounts are then re-classified (once the return is processed) to the appropriate tax revenue account. "Other Fees" also includes Unclaimed Property collections.