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Deal: October revenues up 5.9 percent

Gov. Nathan Deal announced today that Georgia's net tax collections for October totaled \$1.55 billion, an increase of \$87 million, or 5.9 percent, compared to October 2013. Year-to-date, net tax revenue collections totaled \$6.24 billion, which was an increase of \$298.5 million, or 5 percent, compared to the previous fiscal year, when net tax revenues totaled \$5.94 billion after four months. Year-to-date gross tax revenues, before refunds and distributions to local governments, totaled nearly \$8.2 billion, which was an increase of \$453.5 million, or 5.9 percent, compared to October 2013.

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

Individual Income Tax: Individual Income Tax collections for October totaled \$834.5 million, up from \$767.75 million in 2013, for an increase of \$66.75 million, or 8.7 percent.

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

- Individual Income Tax Withholding payments were up \$60.75 million, or 8 percent
- Individual Income Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were up \$2.5 million, or 2.3 percent
- All other Individual categories including Return & Estimated payments were up a combined \$8.5 million

Sales and Use Tax: Gross Sales Tax collections for October increased \$58 million, or 7.2 percent, compared to FY 2014. In addition, net Sales & Use Tax collections increased nearly \$33.5 million, or 8 percent, over the previous year, when net October Sales Tax totaled \$417.5 million. The adjusted distribution of sales tax to local and county governments totaled \$400.7

million, which was an increase of \$28 million compared to last year. Lastly, Sales Tax refunds dropped \$3.5 million compared to last year, when nearly \$11.25 million in refunds were processed.

Corporate Income Tax: Corporate Income Tax collections for the month decreased \$30.5 million, or -99.8 percent, compared to last year, when net Corporate Tax revenues totaled \$30.5 million. Year-to-date, Corporate Tax collections are down \$15 million, or -6.3 percent, compared to the same four month period last year.

The following notable components within Corporate Income Tax make up the decrease in October:

- Corporate Tax refunds issued (net of voided checks) were up \$24.25 million, or 387.3 percent
- Corporate Income Tax Return payments decreased nearly \$4.75 million, or -63.5 percent
- All other Corporate Tax categories combined for a decrease of \$1.5 million compared to FY

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Comparative Summary of Net Revenue Collections

(unaudited - 000's)

	For the Month Ended			
	October 2014 (FY 2015)	October 2013 (FY 2014)	\$ Change	% Change
Tax Revenues:				
Income Tax - Individual:	\$ 834,524	\$ 767,765	\$ 66,759	8.7%
Sales and Use Tax - General:				
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$ 859,261	\$ 801,272	\$ 57,989	7.2%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$ (400,701)	\$ (372,647)	\$ (28,054)	-7.5%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$ (7,686)	\$ (11,190)	\$ 3,503	31.3%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$ 450,873	\$ 417,435	\$ 33,438	8.0%
Motor Fuel Taxes:				
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 44,980	\$ 47,697	\$ (2,717)	-5.7%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$ 37,381	\$ 36,665	\$ 716	2.0%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 82,361	\$ 84,362	\$ (2,001)	-2.4%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$ 56	\$ 30,593	\$ (30,538)	-99.8%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$ 18,511	\$ 17,091	\$ 1,420	8.3%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$ 14,991	\$ 14,427	\$ 564	3.9%
Estate Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Property Tax	\$ 3,858	\$ 7,346	\$ (3,488)	-47.5%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$ 98,261	\$ 87,910	\$ 10,350	11.8%
Total Tax Revenues	\$ 1,503,435	\$ 1,426,931	\$ 76,504	5.4%
Other Revenues:				
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$ 49,989	\$ 39,398	\$ 10,590	26.9%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$ 1,553,424	\$ 1,466,329	\$ 87,095	5.9%

	Year-to-Date			
	FY 2015	FY 2014	\$ Change	% Change
GENERAL FUND				
Tax Revenues:				
Income Tax - Individual	\$ 3,267,983	\$ 3,111,244	\$ 156,739	5.0%
Sales and Use Tax - General:				
Sales and Use Tax - Gross	\$ 3,429,725	\$ 3,227,126	\$ 202,599	6.3%
Local Distribution (Footnote 1)	\$ (1,611,248)	\$ (1,506,299)	\$ (104,948)	-7.0%
Sales Tax Adjustments/Refunds	\$ (24,330)	\$ (43,983)	\$ 19,653	44.7%
Net Sales and Use Tax - General	\$ 1,794,147	\$ 1,676,844	\$ 117,303	7.0%
Motor Fuel Taxes:				
Prepaid Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 185,502	\$ 195,117	\$ (9,614)	-4.9%
Motor Fuel Excise Tax	\$ 151,402	\$ 151,665	\$ (263)	-0.2%
Total Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 336,905	\$ 346,782	\$ (9,878)	-2.8%
Income Tax - Corporate	\$ 224,511	\$ 239,638	\$ (15,126)	-6.3%
Tobacco & Cigar Taxes	\$ 73,156	\$ 74,026	\$ (870)	-1.2%
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	\$ 61,867	\$ 59,308	\$ 2,559	4.3%
Estate Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Property Tax	\$ 5,366	\$ 10,059	\$ (4,693)	-46.7%
Motor Vehicle - Tag, Title & Fees	\$ 389,733	\$ 356,814	\$ 32,919	9.2%
Total Tax Revenues	\$ 6,153,668	\$ 5,874,714	\$ 278,954	4.7%
Other Revenues:				
Other Fees & Taxes (Footnote 2)	\$ 88,730	\$ 69,234	\$ 19,496	28.2%
Total Taxes and Other Revenues	\$ 6,242,398	\$ 5,943,948	\$ 298,450	5.0%

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.