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SUBJECT: Revenues – October 2021

October General Fund revenues are over budget by \$64.2 million or 18.0 percent. For the first third of fiscal year 2022, General Fund revenues are over budget by \$193.3 million or 12.8 percent.

Compared to last October, General Fund revenues are up by 15.1 percent (\$55.3 million). For July – October 2021, adjusting for the increase in revenue sharing, General Fund revenues are \$334.8 million, or 24.1 percent higher compared to July – October 2020.

States that have released October revenue reports are seeing similar year-over-year growth rates both for the month and for the four-month period ending in October.

September taxable sales (October revenue) increased 14.0 percent over last year. Year-over-year (YOY) comparisons remain distorted because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but with the start of the third quarter of calendar year 2021 those distortions will begin to moderate. For the month, sales and use and service provider taxes, combined, were \$22.3 million over budget. Consumer sales increased by 12.8 percent over September 2020 and 28.5 percent over September 2019. Federal stimulus programs via the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), healthy household balance sheets, and pent up demand for in-person taxable services account for the unprecedented growth compared to 2019. September lodging sales were up 70.0 percent over last year, and 40.0 percent over September 2019. Restaurant sales increased by 30.2 percent compared to a year ago, and 9.5 percent compared to 2019.

The auto/transportation sector posted YOY growth of 1.9 percent, but sales by auto dealers fell by 2.5 percent as demand has slowed because of the lack of inventory for both new and used autos. While taxable sales growth remains high compared to 2020 and 2019, it is clearly slowing as we go further into the fall.

Individual income tax receipts were over budget in October by \$28.4 million (16.2 percent). Final, estimated, and fiduciary payments were all over budget, contributing a combined \$24.0 million to the monthly positive variance. October final and fiduciary payments reflect the strength of tax year 2020; taxpayers filing on extension were required to file their 2020 returns by October 15th. The high level of final and fiduciary payments on those extension returns means that taxpayers had a much better 2020 than they anticipated last spring. Estimated payments are representative of current economic activity and October estimated payments receipts continue to show that 2021 is a very good year as well. Refunds were \$12.1 million under budget which contributed a significant amount to the monthly overage. At this time, we believe a significant amount of the October refund variance is a timing issue that will reverse in November. Withholding was the only source of revenue under budget in October (-\$11.0 million), offsetting a positive variance of the same amount in September. Withholding receipts through the first four months of fiscal year 2022 are up 11.4 percent compared to the same four-month period last year and are now \$14.2 million (2.5 percent) over budget fiscal year-to-date.

Corporate income tax receipts were over budget in October by \$15.1 million. Estimated payments exceeded forecast for the month by approximately \$7.4 million and final payments were over budget by \$4.6 million. Like the individual income tax, October 15th was the due date for filing on extension for calendar year corporate filers. Corporate refunds were under budget for the month by \$3.1 million. The variance on refunds is likely a timing issue and may resolve itself over the next few months as corporate refund requests are reviewed and paid.

Sales and Use Tax

Revenue was \$22.2 million over budget for the month (13.5 percent) and is over budget for the fiscal year by \$92.5 million (13.4 percent). Sales tax receipts have increased \$154.1 million or 24.5 percent more than fiscal year 2021 collections through the first third of the fiscal year.

Taxable Sales

Total taxable sales for the month of September (October revenue) were 14.0 percent higher than September 2020 and 27.7 percent higher than September 2019. The annual rate of change was 20.9 percent. Building supply sales increased 5.2 percent for the month and were up 21.9 percent for the last 12 months. Sales of taxable items in food stores increased by 3.8 percent for the month and were up 6.8 percent for the year. General merchandise sales (primarily sales of goods sold in large department and discount stores) were up 11.2 percent for the month and up 19.2 percent for the year. Sales by remote sellers and other retail stores such as jewelry, drug, sporting goods, book, antique, pet, photo, toy, and craft stores were up 13.8 percent for the month and up 27.6 percent for the year. Auto/transportation sector sales increased 1.9 percent for the month and increased 20.3 percent for the year. Restaurant sales increased 30.2 percent compared to the same month a year ago and were up 22.9 percent for the last 12 months.

Lodging sales increased 69.8 percent compared to last September and were up 74.2 percent for the 12-month period ending in September. Business operating sales (primarily use tax paid by businesses) increased 19.5 percent for the month and were up 17.2 percent for the year.

Service Provider Tax

Revenue was slightly over budget for the month by \$0.1 million. For the fiscal year revenue is \$1.5 million or 7.8 percent under prior fiscal year collections.

Individual Income Tax

Revenue was \$24.8 million or 16.2 percent over budget for the month. Compared to last fiscal year individual income tax receipts were up 22.8 percent (\$134.7 million). Withholding receipts for fiscal year 2022 are up 11.4 percent.

Corporate Income Tax

Revenue was over budget for the month by \$15.1 million. Corporate income tax revenue is up for the fiscal year by \$49.2 million (70.5 percent) compared to fiscal year 2021.

Cigarette and Tobacco Taxes

Cigarette and tobacco products tax revenue was \$0.7 million over budget for the month and \$1.2 million over budget for the fiscal year. All the year-to-date surplus is from cigarette excise tax revenue (+\$3.8 million). The excise tax on adult use marijuana is below budget through October by \$2.1 million. Through the first third of the fiscal year cigarette and tobacco tax revenues are up \$3.4 million (7.0 percent) compared to fiscal year 2021.

Insurance Companies Taxes

The insurance companies' tax was under budget in October by \$2.0 million and on budget fiscal year-to-date. The negative variance is a timing issue that will be partially corrected for in November. For the fiscal year insurance companies' tax is up 16.2 percent compared to last fiscal year.

Estate Tax

The estate tax was \$4.8 million over budget for the month and are now \$3.2 million over budget for the fiscal year. Estate tax receipts are down 18.7 percent (\$2.0 million) compared to last fiscal year.

Property Tax Relief Programs

Refunds for the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement (BETR) and Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) programs were under budget in October by \$0.4 million.

Property tax relief payments are \$0.3 million over budget for the fiscal year. Most payments for both BETR and BETE will begin going out over the next few months.

Municipal Revenue Sharing

Revenue sharing was over budget in October by \$2.5 million and was over budget for the fiscal year by \$11.6 million. For the fiscal year, revenue sharing payments to local communities are \$29.2 million higher than last year (59.0 percent). The increase in revenue sharing rate from 3.75 percent to 4.5 percent contributes to the increase compared to a year ago as well as the strong performance of sales and income taxes.

Lottery

Lottery revenues were over budget for the month by \$1.9 million or 36.1 percent. Compared to last fiscal year, lottery revenue is \$1.3 million higher (5.6 percent).

Other Taxes and Fees

Other taxes and fees were under budget for the month of October by \$2.8 million. Year-to-date other taxes and fees are under budget by \$1.4 million.

Highway Fund

Motor fuel excise tax receipts were under budget in October by \$1.1 million (5.3 percent). The Highway Fund, in total, was under budget for the month by \$0.9 million (3.1 percent). For the fiscal year total Highway Fund revenues exceed budget by \$3.5 million (3.0 percent). Motor fuel excise tax receipts are up 8.9 percent (\$6.7 million) compared to the first third of fiscal year 2021. Demand for gasoline and special fuels has steadily improved over last year but remain below pre-pandemic levels by approximately 2.5 percent.

National Economy

Rising prices haven't deterred household spending thus far. The Census Bureau's October retail sales report increased 1.7 percent from September and 16.3 percent compared to a year ago (14.9 percent excluding auto and gas). The retail sales report is not adjusted for inflation, so some of the year-over-year growth is the result of rising prices, but even after adjusting for inflation the growth remains solid. One reason for the increase in October is early holiday spending as consumers are shifting their purchasing from December into October, and likely November, in response to supply chain concerns. The availability of cash and credit and a continued reluctance to shift spending back to services because of the pandemic will keep retail sales strong through the remainder of the calendar year, but comparisons with a year ago will become difficult during the first-half of 2022.

Maine Economy

The Consensus Economic Forecasting Commission (CEFC) met on October 29th to receive updates from representatives of various business sectors across the state, and to update their April 1, 2021 economic forecast.

The key conclusion from the CEFC meeting was that “The new forecast accounts for both a decelerating labor market recovery in 2021, in large part at the hands of the Delta variant, as well as an upside potential for increased migration into the state in the following years. The commission is also optimistic that other factors, such as the return of K-12 school and childcare accessibility and a growing willingness by employers both to train potential workers who may not currently possess the experience and skills they have traditionally expected and to be increasingly flexible in work hours and locations will aid in employment growth in coming years. The CEFC continues to monitor structural changes that may impact the long-term trajectory of employment, in migration, and labor force participation trends. The Commission is hopeful that this more optimistic medium-term forecast will be confirmed with future data. The revised forecast anticipates employment will reach pre-pandemic levels by 2023 and continue growing to 647.9 thousand in 2025. The April 1, 2021, forecast reached 640 thousand in 2025. The CEFC remains optimistic regarding the upside opportunity of increased migration into the state as COVID-19 has been a catalyst for remote work but is cautious of the constraints that may be caused by ongoing tight real estate markets.”

The CEFC economic forecast is a key component of the upcoming Revenue Forecasting Committee (RFC) meeting. The RFC will meet November 23rd to provide the Governor and Legislature with a December 1st revenue forecast.

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**Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022
Comparison to Budget**

Exhibit I

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date				Total Budgeted Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2022
	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 187,191,141	\$ 164,995,846	\$ 22,195,295	13.5 %	\$ 783,191,630	\$ 690,729,231	\$ 92,462,399	13.4 %	\$ 1,802,616,745
Service Provider Tax	4,322,485	4,188,559	133,926	3.2 %	17,125,567	16,754,238	371,329	2.2 %	51,000,000
Individual Income Tax	178,104,455	153,300,000	24,804,455	16.2 %	724,432,088	671,300,000	53,132,088	7.9 %	1,844,500,000
Corporate Income Tax	25,132,520	10,000,000	15,132,520	151.3 %	119,096,688	68,700,000	50,396,688	73.4 %	220,033,737
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	14,596,888	13,932,129	664,759	4.8 %	52,702,254	51,483,609	1,218,645	2.4 %	150,427,000
Insurance Companies Tax	6,708,282	8,756,470	(2,048,188)	(23.4)%	9,424,667	9,295,523	129,144	1.4 %	88,250,000
Estate Tax	6,291,270	1,495,679	4,795,591	320.6 %	8,858,259	5,666,903	3,191,356	56.3 %	25,850,000
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	459,835	1,048,535	(588,700)	(56.1)%	2,012,115	4,453,257	(2,441,142)	(54.8)%	12,416,881
Income from Investments	556,990	204,618	352,372	172.2 %	1,723,197	654,610	1,068,587	163.2 %	2,937,863
Transfer from Lottery Commission	7,001,996	5,146,398	1,855,598	36.1 %	24,189,024	19,747,177	4,441,847	22.5 %	60,000,000
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs	(368)	(365,000)	364,632	99.9 %	(542,792)	(260,000)	(282,792)	(108.8)%	(76,150,000)
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing	(22,658,084)	(20,157,881)	(2,500,203)	(12.4)%	(78,921,985)	(67,304,013)	(11,617,972)	(17.3)%	(180,250,232)
Other Taxes and Fees	20,090,735	22,901,813	(2,811,078)	(12.3)%	51,201,398	52,614,282	(1,412,884)	(2.7)%	146,319,687
Other Revenues	(6,017,173)	(7,897,628)	1,880,455	23.8 %	(5,801,278)	(8,431,787)	2,630,509	31.2 %	31,198,248
Total Collected	\$ 421,780,972	\$ 357,549,538	\$ 64,231,434	18.0 %	\$ 1,708,690,833	\$ 1,515,403,030	\$ 193,287,803	12.8 %	\$ 4,179,149,929

NOTES:

- (1) Included in the above is \$22,658,084 for the month and \$78,921,985 year to date, that was set aside for Revenue Sharing with cities and towns.
- (2) Figures reflect estimates of the Maine State Revenue Forecasting Committee approved in May 2021, laws enacted through the end of the 130th Legislature, 1st Special Session for all laws and any emergency laws.
- (3) This report has been prepared from preliminary month end figures and is subject to change.

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Undedicated Revenues - General Fund

For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021 and 2020

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022 and 2021

Comparison to To Prior Year

Exhibit II

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date			
	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 187,191,141	\$ 159,213,562	\$ 27,977,579	17.6 %	\$ 783,191,630	\$ 629,091,478	\$ 154,100,151	24.5 %
Service Provider Tax	4,322,485	4,609,279	(286,794)	(6.2)%	17,125,567	18,584,183	(1,458,616)	(7.8)%
Individual Income Tax	178,104,455	159,821,355	18,283,099	11.4 %	724,432,088	589,706,899	134,725,189	22.8 %
Corporate Income Tax	25,132,520	8,657,899	16,474,621	190.3 %	119,096,688	69,852,270	49,244,418	70.5 %
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	14,596,888	9,544,807	5,052,081	52.9 %	52,702,254	49,266,813	3,435,441	7.0 %
Insurance Companies Tax	6,708,282	7,421,242	(712,960)	(9.6)%	9,424,667	8,110,260	1,314,407	16.2 %
Estate Tax	6,291,270	9,357,370	(3,066,100)	(32.8)%	8,858,259	10,898,854	(2,040,595)	(18.7)%
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	459,835	559,987	(100,152)	(17.9)%	2,012,115	3,193,901	(1,181,786)	(37.0)%
Income from Investments	556,990	436,176	120,814	27.7 %	1,723,197	1,373,063	350,134	25.5 %
Transfer from Lottery Commission	7,001,996	5,891,358	1,110,638	18.9 %	24,189,024	22,915,077	1,273,947	5.6 %
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs	(368)	313,251	(313,619)	(100.1)%	(542,792)	345,060	(887,852)	(257.3)%
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing	(22,658,084)	(15,361,091)	(7,296,992)	(47.5)%	(78,921,985)	(49,674,631)	(29,247,354)	(58.9)%
Other Taxes and Fees	20,090,735	20,516,793	(426,059)	(2.1)%	51,201,398	47,557,506	3,643,891	7.7 %
Other Revenues	(6,017,173)	(4,545,620)	(1,471,553)	(32.4)%	(5,801,278)	(14,179,511)	8,378,234	59.1 %
Total Collected	\$ 421,780,972	\$ 366,436,368	\$ 55,344,604	15.1 %	\$ 1,708,690,833	\$ 1,387,041,222	\$ 321,649,611	23.2 %

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**Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022
All Other Comparison to Budget**

Exhibit III

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date				Total Budgeted Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2022
	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	
<u>Detail of Other Taxes & Fees</u>									
0100s All Others	\$ 13,803,831	\$ 16,161,722	\$ (2,357,891)	(14.6)%	\$ 18,661,557	\$ 19,069,940	\$ (408,383)	(2.1)%	\$ 40,433,718
0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax	22,874	24,561	(1,687)	(6.9)%	97,697	98,011	(314)	(0.3)%	268,261
0400s Alcohol Excise Tax	1,643,826	1,519,218	124,608	8.2 %	7,442,847	7,141,305	301,542	4.2 %	18,412,786
0700s Corporation Taxes	330,311	229,538	100,773	43.9 %	1,890,181	2,460,702	(570,521)	(23.2)%	10,438,649
0800s Public Utilities	-	-	-	%	-	-	-	%	6,200,000
1000s Banking Taxes	1,854,950	2,198,914	(343,964)	(15.6)%	8,137,980	8,795,656	(657,676)	(7.5)%	26,916,990
1100s Alcoholic Beverages	535,832	702,581	(166,749)	(23.7)%	2,458,975	2,235,328	223,647	10.0 %	7,581,038
1200s Amusements Tax	-	100,000	(100,000)	(100.0)%	189,778	110,000	79,778	72.5 %	110,000
1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel	808,939	636,412	172,527	27.1 %	3,642,361	2,647,110	995,251	37.6 %	7,157,794
1400s Business Taxes	325,461	238,085	87,376	36.7 %	1,677,026	1,863,457	(186,431)	(10.0)%	7,690,419
1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses	261,452	264,969	(3,517)	(1.3)%	1,439,300	2,091,514	(652,214)	(31.2)%	4,456,202
1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	454,056	796,499	(342,443)	(43.0)%	5,375,511	5,979,643	(604,132)	(10.1)%	15,985,216
1900s Other Licenses	49,201	29,314	19,887	67.8 %	188,186	121,616	66,570	54.7 %	668,614
Total Other Taxes & Fees	\$ 20,090,735	\$ 22,901,813	\$ (2,811,078)	(12.3)%	\$ 51,201,398	\$ 52,614,282	\$ (1,412,884)	(2.7)%	\$ 146,319,687
<u>Detail of Other Revenues</u>									
2200s Federal Revenues	\$ 2,104	\$ 11,249	\$ (9,145)	(81.3)%	\$ 2,104	\$ 44,999	\$ (42,895)	(95.3)%	\$ 135,000
2300s County Revenues	-	-	-	%	-	-	-	%	-
2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns	(37,563)	3,976	(41,539)	(1,044.7)%	94,655	115,706	(21,051)	(18.2)%	277,996
2500s Revenues from Private Sources	132,396	88,120	44,276	50.2 %	460,742	1,543,358	(1,082,616)	(70.1)%	2,149,637
2600s Current Service Charges	2,230,786	2,042,997	187,789	9.2 %	10,294,943	8,791,648	1,503,295	17.1 %	26,387,484
2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds	(8,348,199)	(10,046,719)	1,698,520	16.9 %	(16,697,471)	(18,951,798)	2,254,327	11.9 %	2,130,571
2800s Sales of Property & Equipment	3,304	2,749	555	20.2 %	43,750	24,300	19,450	80.0 %	117,560
Total Other Revenues	\$ (6,017,173)	\$ (7,897,628)	\$ 1,880,455	23.8 %	\$ (5,801,278)	\$ (8,431,787)	\$ 2,630,509	31.2 %	\$ 31,198,248

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Undedicated Revenues - General Fund

For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021 and 2020

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022 and 2021

All Other Comparison to To Prior Year

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date			
	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)
<u>Detail of Other Taxes & Fees</u>								
0100s All Others	\$ 13,803,831	\$ 15,159,939	\$ (1,356,108)	(8.9)%	\$ 18,661,557	\$ 17,151,523	\$ 1,510,034	8.8 %
0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax	22,874	21,948	926	4.2 %	97,697	90,840	6,856	7.5 %
0400s Alcohol Excise Tax	1,643,826	346,456	1,297,370	374.5 %	7,442,847	4,600,493	2,842,354	61.8 %
0700s Corporation Taxes	330,311	314,648	15,663	5.0 %	1,890,181	3,080,062	(1,189,881)	(38.6)%
0800s Public Utilities	-	(1,716)	1,716	100.0 %	-	(1,716)	1,716	100.0 %
1000s Banking Taxes	1,854,950	1,958,250	(103,300)	(5.3)%	8,137,980	7,852,500	285,480	3.6 %
1100s Alcoholic Beverages	535,832	475,866	59,967	12.6 %	2,458,975	2,006,739	452,236	22.5 %
1200s Amusements Tax	-	1,000	(1,000)	(100.0)%	189,778	3,000	186,778	6,225.9 %
1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel	808,939	563,664	245,275	43.5 %	3,642,361	2,002,997	1,639,364	81.8 %
1400s Business Taxes	325,461	232,938	92,523	39.7 %	1,677,026	2,800,146	(1,123,119)	(40.1)%
1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses	261,452	246,851	14,601	5.9 %	1,439,300	1,489,064	(49,764)	(3.3)%
1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	454,056	1,156,359	(702,303)	(60.7)%	5,375,511	6,317,728	(942,217)	(14.9)%
1900s Other Licenses	49,201	40,591	8,611	21.2 %	188,186	164,130	24,056	14.7 %
Total Other Taxes & Fees	\$ 20,090,735	\$ 20,516,793	\$ (426,059)	(2.1)%	\$ 51,201,398	\$ 47,557,506	\$ 3,643,891	7.7 %
<u>Detail of Other Revenues</u>								
2200s Federal Revenues	\$ 2,104	\$ -	\$ 2,104	- %	\$ 2,104	\$ 43,819	\$ (41,714)	(95.2)%
2300s County Revenues	-	-	-	- %	-	-	-	- %
2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns	(37,563)	3,781	(41,344)	(1,093.5)%	94,655	113,680	(19,025)	(16.7)%
2500s Revenues from Private Sources	132,396	161,782	(29,386)	(18.2)%	460,742	986,111	(525,369)	(53.3)%
2600s Current Service Charges	2,230,786	2,148,711	82,075	3.8 %	10,294,943	8,659,058	1,635,885	18.9 %
2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds	(8,348,199)	(6,859,894)	(1,488,306)	(21.7)%	(16,697,471)	(23,994,039)	7,296,568	30.4 %
2800s Sales of Property & Equipment	3,304	-	3,304	- %	43,750	11,860	31,890	268.9 %
Total Other Revenues	\$ (6,017,173)	\$ (4,545,620)	\$ (1,471,553)	(32.4)%	\$ (5,801,278)	\$ (14,179,511)	\$ 8,378,234	59.1 %

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**Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund
For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022
Comparison to Budget**

Exhibit V

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date				Total Budgeted Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/2022
	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Actual	Budget	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	
Fuel Taxes	\$ 19,470,567	\$ 20,559,069	\$ (1,088,502)	(5.3)%	\$ 81,900,555	\$ 80,464,842	\$ 1,435,713	1.8 %	\$ 224,611,316
Motor Vehicle Registration & Fees	9,059,521	9,083,846	(24,325)	(0.3)%	35,132,717	33,739,513	1,393,204	4.1 %	91,205,026
Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees	72,695	232,489	(159,795)	(68.7)%	809,219	996,706	(187,487)	(18.8)%	3,202,500
Miscellaneous Taxes & Fees	129,996	101,023	28,973	28.7 %	567,519	447,936	119,583	26.7 %	1,267,454
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	114,691	50,534	64,157	127.0 %	461,538	202,136	259,402	128.3 %	606,412
Earnings on Investments	20,050	7,240	12,810	176.9 %	70,628	28,956	41,672	143.9 %	86,864
All Other	762,490	531,120	231,370	43.6 %	2,441,169	1,975,161	466,008	23.6 %	9,739,321
Total Collected	\$ 29,630,009	\$ 30,565,321	\$ (935,312)	(3.1)%	\$ 121,383,345	\$ 117,855,250	\$ 3,528,095	3.0 %	\$ 330,718,893

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**Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund
For the Fourth Month Ended October 31, 2021 and 2020
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022 and 2021
Comparison to To Prior Year**

Exhibit VI

	Month				Fiscal Year to Date			
	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)
Fuel Taxes	\$ 19,470,567	\$ 18,678,730	\$ 791,836	4.2 %	\$ 81,900,555	\$ 75,204,381	\$ 6,696,174	8.9 %
Motor Vehicle Registration & Fees	9,059,521	10,225,176	(1,165,655)	(11.4)%	35,132,717	37,109,085	(1,976,368)	(5.3)%
Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees	72,695	237,085	(164,391)	(69.3)%	809,219	840,745	(31,526)	(3.7)%
Miscellaneous Taxes & Fees	129,996	112,341	17,656	15.7 %	567,519	553,058	14,461	2.6 %
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	114,691	132,751	(18,060)	(13.6)%	461,538	312,856	148,683	47.5 %
Earnings on Investments	20,050	22,884	(2,834)	(12.4)%	70,628	64,878	5,749	8.9 %
All Other	762,490	515,480	247,010	47.9 %	2,441,169	2,074,283	366,886	17.7 %
Total Collected	\$ 29,630,009	\$ 29,924,447	\$ (294,438)	(1.0)%	\$ 121,383,345	\$ 116,159,286	\$ 5,224,059	4.5 %

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**Maine Revenue Services
Taxable Sales by Sector
In Thousands of Dollars**

	September'21	% Ch.	September'20	% Ch.	September'19	% Change Sep '21 vs.'19	Average Last 3 Mos. Vs. Last Yr. % Change	Moving Total Last 12 Mos. Vs. Prior % Change	YTD Growth CY'21 vs. '20 Thru September % Change
Building Supply	\$379,537.9	5.2%	\$360,738.0	26.5%	\$285,091.2	33.1%	8.0%	21.9%	20.4%
Food Store	\$255,725.9	3.8%	\$246,326.5	7.9%	\$228,293.7	12.0%	5.6%	6.8%	5.9%
General Merchandise	\$381,807.2	11.2%	\$343,384.3	4.5%	\$328,621.5	16.2%	16.2%	19.2%	26.5%
Other Retail	\$545,917.2	13.8%	\$479,669.8	46.1%	\$328,272.5	66.3%	17.0%	27.6%	26.8%
Auto/Transportation	\$578,884.4	1.9%	\$567,916.4	22.2%	\$464,574.7	24.6%	4.8%	20.3%	23.3%
Restaurant	\$328,565.9	30.2%	\$252,328.9	-15.9%	\$300,059.6	9.5%	41.4%	22.9%	40.6%
Lodging	\$205,376.5	69.8%	\$120,961.1	-17.7%	\$146,923.6	39.8%	77.1%	74.2%	101.4%
Consumer Sales	\$2,675,815.0	12.8%	\$2,371,324.9	13.9%	\$2,081,836.7	28.5%	18.1%	22.6%	26.8%
Business Operating	\$308,965.5	19.5%	\$258,531.8	4.6%	\$247,161.8	25.0%	18.7%	17.2%	19.2%
Total	\$2,984,780.5	13.5%	\$2,629,856.7	12.9%	\$2,328,998.5	28.2%	18.2%	22.0%	26.0%
Utilities	\$135,141.5	25.3%	\$107,875.8	-5.5%	\$114,150.6	18.4%	7.4%	1.0%	2.0%
Total plus Utilities	\$3,119,922.0	14.0%	\$2,737,732.5	12.1%	\$2,443,149.1	27.7%	17.7%	20.9%	24.8%