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Revised General Revenue Collections for November 2009 (Sales Tax Data Reported is

General Revenue (GR) collections for November 2009 were \$24.9 M under the estimates adopted by the General Revenue Estimating Conference (GR REC) on August 11, 2009. Next month's report will be based on new monthly estimates from the General Revenue Estimating Conference that met on December 4, 2009. Details of changes to the estimates can be found at <http://edr.state.fl.us/Content>.

As expected, last month's surplus from slower than expected processing and payment of Corporate Income Tax (CIT) Refunds gave way as November exceeded refund estimates with CIT Refunds processing back on track. Total Refunds were over estimate by \$75.1 M, with \$72.6 M attributable to CIT Refunds processing and \$2.9 M due to Sales Tax Refunds. Overages in Refunds reduce the Net GR bottom line.

Three sources largely balanced out the Refunds overage. First, Sales Tax GR was \$23.0 M (about 1.8%) over estimate for the month. Five of the six Sales Tax components were over estimate. Consumer Non-Durables led the way at \$7.5 M (about 1.8%) over estimate, followed by Automobiles (\$6.9 M or about 3.5% over estimate), Other Durables (\$4.0 M or about 5.0% over estimate), Tourism (\$3.5 M or about 1.3% over estimate), and Building (\$2.6 M or about 3.7% over estimate). The Business component was under estimate, but by only \$0.8 M or about 0.3%. Second, Insurance Premium Tax was over estimate by \$22.0 M with the transfer to GR over estimate by \$25.5 M.

(The other component, Surplus Lines, was under estimate by \$3.5 M.) Third, Medical Hospital Fees came in \$18.4 M over estimate this month. Issues related to late and incorrect billing continue to be resolved this fiscal year.

Other sources over estimate include Parimutuels Taxes, Earnings on Investments and Cigarette Taxes. GR received a \$5.0 M transfer from the Parimutuels Trust Fund; these transfers are required by law, but not on a specific schedule. This transfer was not expected in November, but was incorporated into the fiscal year estimate for the source. Earnings on Investments came in \$4.2 M over estimate; this source is volatile on a monthly basis and an error of this size is not unusual. Cigarette Taxes showed a surplus for the month of \$2.2 M, but still stands \$6.1 M (about 8.5%) under estimate for the year to date.

Sources notably under estimate once again included Highway Safety Fees. This source is composed of Drivers Licenses, Auto Title Fees, and a number of other new fees for General Revenue. Altogether, Highway Safety Fees were under estimate by \$11.4 M, or about 15.3%, which is comparable to last month's shortfall. It appears that the \$1.4 M shortfall in the Drivers License portion is at least in part due to individuals renewing their licenses early to avoid the fee increases. The new Highway Safety fees fell about \$10 M short of estimate; with no prior history on these fees, estimates may have been set too high -- a problem that has been corrected in the new

forecast that begins next month. Service Charges to GR were under estimate by \$10.1 M, with Other Service Charges, a large collection of many small transfers from trust funds in all agencies, under estimate by \$6.8 M. About \$3.3 M was due to timing of one transfer in the Department of Financial Services that we now expect to receive in January.

To summarize, Net GR collections for November were \$24.9 M under estimate for the month and \$239.8 M over estimate for the year to date. The table below is based on the monthly estimates from the August 11, 2009, GR REC. The General Revenue Estimating Conference met on December 4, 2009 and adopted new official estimates for FY 2009-10. Details of that conference can be found at <http://edr.state.fl.us/Content>. Note that the listing of sources below has been rearranged to reflect each source's overall importance to GR.

General Revenue Collections

Month: \$24.9 M under the August 2009 estimate; \$34.9 M over the March 2009 estimate adjusted for law changes

Year: \$239.8 M over the August 2009 estimate; \$265.0 M over the March 2009 estimate adjusted for law changes

November Lottery Transfers to DOE

Month: \$95.106 M, \$6.369 M under the October 2009 estimate

Year: \$476.534 M, \$10.8 M under the October 2009 estimate; \$9.267 M under the July 2009 estimate

NOVEMBER 2009 GENERAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS (\$ MILLIONS) BASED ON THE AUGUST 2009 REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE								
	MONTH			FISCAL YEAR TO DATE				
	ACTUAL CURRENT MONTH	ESTIMATE CURRENT MONTH	OVER/UNDER ESTIMATE	ACTUAL CURRENT YEAR	ESTIMATE CURRENT YEAR	OVER/UNDER ESTIMATE	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL	PERCENT INCREASE/ DECREASE
SALES TAX COLLECTIONS	1,268.7	1,245.7	23.0	6,433.9	6,309.1	124.8	6,931.4	-7.2%
CORPORATE INCOME TAX	29.4	30.9	(1.5)	539.9	453.1	86.7	685.0	-21.2%
HIGHWAY SAFETY FEES	63.2	74.6	(11.4)	195.4	221.1	(25.6)	50.2	289.5%
INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX	148.5	126.5	22.0	227.9	211.2	16.8	209.4	8.8%
BEVERAGE TAXES	48.3	49.2	(0.9)	229.5	225.8	3.6	227.4	0.9%
SERVICE CHARGES	28.1	38.2	(10.1)	161.5	173.6	(12.0)	135.4	19.3%
ARTICLE V FEES AND TRANSFERS	16.9	16.9	(0.0)	84.3	83.2	1.1	92.0	-8.3%
TOBACCO TAX	19.0	16.8	2.2	65.3	71.4	(6.1)	91.5	-28.6%
CORPORATE FILING FEES	4.4	5.2	(0.8)	33.3	35.9	(2.5)	42.8	-22.1%
MEDICAL HOSPITAL FEES	36.3	17.9	18.4	93.6	90.7	2.9	63.1	48.3%
INTANGIBLES TAXES	12.8	14.1	(1.3)	70.5	75.0	(4.6)	95.2	-26.0%
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	11.3	7.1	4.2	51.9	41.9	10.1	67.5	-23.1%
DOCUMENTARY STAMP TAX	3.3	2.9	0.4	48.8	30.2	18.5	71.1	-31.4%
PARIMUTUEL TAXES	5.4	0.4	5.0	7.0	2.0	5.0	2.0	244.6%
SEVERANCE TAXES	0.2	0.4	(0.2)	2.8	3.1	(0.4)	9.0	-69.5%
OTHER TAXES LICENSES AND FEES	2.4	4.7	(2.3)	15.1	21.9	(6.8)	19.6	-22.8%
OTHER NONOPERATING REVENUES	17.4	13.9	3.5	76.6	73.5	3.0	60.0	27.7%
TOTAL REVENUE	1,715.7	1,665.4	50.3	8,337.3	8,122.8	214.5	8,852.7	-5.8%
LESS REFUNDS	118.7	43.6	75.1	290.0	315.2	(25.3)	380.4	-23.8%
NET REVENUE	1,596.9	1,621.8	(24.9)	8,047.3	7,807.6	239.8	8,472.3	-5.0%