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General Revenue Collections for January 2008 (Sales Tax Data Reported is Unaudited)

General Revenue (GR) collections for January 2008 were \$126.8 M under the estimates adopted by the General Revenue Estimating Conference (GR REC) on November 14, 2007. Sales Tax GR was \$139.1 M under estimate for the month.

Only one component of Sales Tax was over estimate for the month. The Building component was \$2.7 M (about 2.8%) over estimate, and is over estimate for the year to date by \$2.3 M. The other components were all under estimate. The largest shortfalls were in the Automobiles component (\$36.4 M or about 11.8% under estimate) and the Business component (\$36.9 M or about 9.6%) short. Other Consumer Durables fell \$11.2 M (about 6.6%) below estimate, with the Tourism and Consumer Non-Durables components \$10.5 M (2.9%) and \$7.7 M (1.1%) short of estimates, respectively.

On the downside, Corporate Income Tax was \$34.3 M under estimate for the month, but remains on estimate for the year-to-date. This month's shortfall appears to be a timing issue. Some revenue not expected until January was received in December, because of the holiday weekend. Total collections of Documentary Stamp Tax fell \$39.9 M under estimate; for the year-to-date, this source is running \$102.5 M (about 7.4%) under estimate. Because of a change to the method of making required distributions to various trust funds, there was a small transfer to GR this month. It is expected that next month's distribution to GR will close the gap in the short-

fall between total collections and GR. Clearly, however, the current slowdown in housing is affecting both Documentary Stamp Tax receipts and Intangibles C receipts. Intangibles C fell \$7.2 M under estimate for the month. Intangibles C revenues are now \$20.1 M (about 6.3%) under estimate for the year-to-date. (This tax is imposed on obligations secured by liens on Florida property and on governmental leaseholds.) Article V Fees and Transfers were \$10.9 M under estimate for the month, primarily due to timing. End-of-year surplus funds from some counties were received earlier than expected, while transfers from other counties have been impacted by the freeze on fund withdrawals from the local government investment pool. These funds are expected to be received before the end of this fiscal year.

On the other hand, Interest Earnings continued to perform well, coming in \$18.2 M over estimate for the month. This source has been outperforming the estimate every month since the new estimates were adopted. Service Charges were \$20.3 M over estimate. However, early receipt of three types of service charges accounted for the overage. The Department of Financial Services Regulatory Trust Fund service charge came in early, accounting for \$9.0 M. Early receipt of many of the small transfers that make up the Other Service Charge category probably accounted for about \$7.0 M. Agriculture Inspection Trust Fund service charges were also received earlier than anticipated and added about \$2.0 M. Although Parimutuel Taxes were over estimate by \$3.9 M for the month, this

source as a whole is running under estimate for the year to date. Transfers expected in December actually were made in January, and were lower than expected. The source is expected to make up this year-to-date shortfall over the remainder of the year.

Refunds were under estimate, but Refund shortfalls benefit Net GR's bottom line. Refunds were \$15.6 M under estimate for the month, almost entirely due to lower than expected Corporate Income Tax refunds.

To summarize, Net GR collections for January were \$126.8 M under estimate for the month and \$203.1 M under estimate for the 2007-08 fiscal year. The table below is based on the monthly estimates from the November 14, 2007 GR Estimating Conference. A listing of the FY 2007-08 estimates adopted at the November 2007 conference, together with work papers and summaries, is available at <http://www.state.fl.us/edr/>.

General Revenue Collections

Month: \$126.8 M under the November 2007 estimate; \$251.0 M under the March 2007 estimate adjusted for law changes

Year: \$203.1 M under the November 2007 estimate; \$1,291.0 M under the March 2007 estimate adjusted for law changes

January Lottery Transfers to DOE

Month: \$100.082 M, \$13.5 M below the October 2007 estimate

Year: \$720.116 M, \$18.9 M below the October 2007 estimate; \$8.2 M above the March 2007 estimate

JANUARY 2008 GENERAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS (\$ MILLIONS)								
(BASED ON THE NOVEMBER 2007 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	1,686.1	1,825.2	-139.1	10,791.1	10,964.5	-173.4	11,297.0	-4.5%
BEVERAGE TAXES	65.2	66.7	-1.5	358.5	358.3	0.2	371.9	-3.6%
CORPORATE INCOME TAX	117.1	151.4	-34.3	1,177.6	1,174.1	3.6	1,302.8	-9.6%
DOCUMENTARY STAMP TAX	3.1	0.4	2.7	71.6	114.9	-43.3	229.3	-68.8%
TOBACCO TAX	22.5	24.7	-2.2	137.1	141.8	-4.7	143.8	-4.6%
INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX	10.9	6.7	4.1	260.7	267.8	-7.1	241.3	8.1%
PARIMUTUEL TAXES	4.3	0.4	3.9	11.9	14.1	-2.3	9.8	20.3%
INTANGIBLES TAXES	37.4	44.6	-7.2	296.6	316.7	-20.1	485.5	-38.9%
ESTATE TAX	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.6	-100.0%
INTEREST EARNINGS	43.9	25.7	18.2	302.1	255.2	46.9	289.2	4.5%
DRIVERS LICENSE FEES	7.4	5.0	2.4	43.3	40.7	2.5	46.3	-6.4%
MEDICAL HOSPITAL FEES	16.5	18.1	-1.6	87.2	99.0	-11.8	99.7	-12.5%
AUTOMOBILE TITLE FEES	3.2	3.2	0.0	16.5	19.5	-3.0	19.0	-13.4%
SEVERANCE TAXES	4.0	2.5	1.5	9.5	8.4	1.2	9.0	6.2%
SERVICE CHARGES	45.9	25.6	20.3	229.2	224.1	5.1	251.1	-8.7%
CORPORATE FILING FEES	20.8	16.7	4.1	56.2	53.5	2.7	49.5	13.4%
ARTICLE V FEES AND TRANSFERS	15.9	26.8	-10.9	69.3	73.0	-3.7	75.2	-7.9%
OTHER TAXES AND FEES	24.6	27.3	-2.7	157.6	159.4	-1.8	160.7	-1.9%
TOTAL REVENUE	2,128.7	2,271.0	-142.3	14,076.0	14,285.1	-209.1	15,105.8	-6.8%
LESS REFUNDS	29.8	45.4	-15.6	352.7	358.7	-6.0	240.9	46.40%
NET REVENUE	2,098.9	2,225.6	-126.7	13,723.3	13,926.3	-203.1	14,864.9	-7.68%