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#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Governor Paul R. LePage

Members, Legislative Council

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

**FROM:** Commissioner Alexander E. Porteous

Department of Administrative & Financial Services

**DATE:** October 25, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Revenues – September

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September General Fund revenues exceeded projections by \$19.3 million, or 5.1 percent. Through the first quarter of fiscal year 2019, General Fund revenues are over budget by \$47.5 million, or 5 percent. Compared to the first quarter of the prior fiscal year, General Fund revenues increased by 8.2 percent (+\$76.2 million).

August taxable sales (September revenue) increased 7.9 percent over last year. For the month, sales and use and service provider taxes, combined, were above forecasted projections by \$6.6 million, or 4.3 percent. Tourism-related sales, specifically those tied to restaurants and lodging, increased in August—increasing by 6.1 percent and 4.6 percent, respectively. Building supply sales (+7.8 percent) remain strong, and the other retail sales category (+13.1 percent) continues to experience robust year-over-year results. Auto/Transportation sales were strong for a second straight month, increasing 11 percent over last August. Business operating sales grew 11.7 percent year-over-year. The growth of the business operating line in recent months appears to be the result of increased investment by businesses in response to the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA).

Individual income tax revenues were over budget in September by \$4.5 million, with significant positive variances to the forecast in payments from fiduciary returns (+\$3.6 million) and refunds (+\$2.7 million) more than offsetting negative variances for withholding (-\$0.7 million) and estimated payments (-\$2 million). Despite being slightly under budget, withholding receipts increased 6.2 percent compared to last September and are up 8 percent over the first quarter of

fiscal year 2018. Through the first three-quarters of calendar year 2018 withholding has increased by 6 percent.

The third estimated payment of the calendar year was due September 15 and may have been affected by the recent passage of the tax conformity bill (L.D. 1655). The final estimated payment for tax year 2018 is due January 15, 2019 and is usually the best indicator of the strength of non-wage income for the calendar year. Extension returns for the 2017 tax year were due October 15. We are watching those returns to get a final read on tax year 2017, which will be the jumping off point for the revenue forecast due on December 1.

Corporate income taxes exceeded budget in September by \$7.3 million. Most of the positive variance is attributable to estimated payments being over budget by \$6.3 million and final payments being over budget by \$1.9 million. Similar to the individual income tax, the third estimated payment for corporate calendar year filers was due on September 15. Final enactment of tax conformity may have affected the third estimated payment, which was over budget by 19 percent. Also, enactment could have a large impact on payments made with tax year 2017 extension returns due in mid-October because of the deemed repatriation provision of the TCJA being effective for tax year 2017. The provision mandated businesses to recognize, as one-time income, post-1986 accumulated cash and non-cash assets held overseas. With Maine's adoption of conformity, Maine Revenue Services estimates that our state will receive \$31.2 million in corporate income tax revenue due to this one provision of the law, \$22.9 million of which is projected for the current fiscal year.

#### Sales & Use Taxes

Revenue was \$6.7 million over budget for the month and \$15 million over budget for the fiscal year (+3.5 percent). Revenue is \$27.8 million, or 6.6 percent, greater than prior fiscal year-to-date collections.

#### Taxable Sales

Total taxable sales for the month of August (September revenue) were 7.9 percent over August 2017. Building supply sales were up 7.8 percent for the month and 8.2 percent for the year ending in August. Sales of taxable items in food stores were up 3.8 percent for the month and 3.7 percent for the year. General merchandise sales (primarily sales of goods sold in large department and discount stores) were down 1.1 percent for the month and up 1.8 percent for the year. Sales in other retail stores such as jewelry, drug, sporting goods, book, antique, pet, photo, toy, and craft stores were up 13.1 percent for the month and 8.7 percent for the year. Auto/transportation sector sales were up 11 percent for the month and up 4.2 percent for the year. Sales of meals and other prepared foods were up 6.1 percent for the month and 4.6 percent for the year. Lodging sales were up 4.6 percent for the month and 5.6 percent for the year. Business operating sales (primarily use tax paid by businesses) were up 11.7 percent for the month and 6.2 percent for the year.

#### Service Provider Tax

Revenue was \$0.1 million under budget for the month and over budget fiscal year-to-date by \$0.15 million. Revenue was \$0.6 million or 4.1 percent over prior fiscal year-to-date collections.

#### <u>Individual Income Tax</u>

Revenue was \$4.5 million, or 2.7 percent, over budget for the month. For the first quarter of the fiscal year, individual income tax receipts are over budget by \$21.2 million (+5.4 percent). Revenue was \$32.1 million, or 8.4 percent, over prior fiscal year-to-date collections. Withholding receipts increased 6.2 percent compared to last September and are up 8 percent over the first quarter of fiscal year 2018.

#### Corporate Income Tax

Revenue was \$7.3 million, or 19 percent, over budget for the month. For the fiscal year, corporate receipts are now \$6.6 million over budget, or +11.4 percent. Estimated payments were up 19.3 percent, and final payments were up 24.7 percent compared to last September. Revenue is \$14 million, or 27.4 percent, over collections for the same three-month period last fiscal year.

#### Cigarette & Tobacco Taxes

Cigarette and tobacco products tax revenue was \$1.7 million under budget for the month and \$3.4 million over budget fiscal year-to-date. Revenue is \$3.7 million or 11.8 percent higher than the first three months of fiscal year 2018.

#### **Insurance Companies Taxes**

The Insurance Companies Taxes were under budget for the month by \$0.5 million, bringing the year-to-date negative variance to \$0.1 million, or -7.3 percent.

#### Estate Tax

The estate tax was \$0.4 million under budget for the month, and is now \$1.9 million under budget for the fiscal year.

#### Municipal Revenue Sharing

Revenue sharing was over budget in September by \$0.4 million. For the fiscal year revenue sharing is \$0.5 million over budget, or 3 percent.

#### Lottery

Lottery revenues were over budget for the month by \$1.4 million and are now \$0.3 million over budget year-to-date.

#### Other Revenues

Other Revenues were under budget for the month by \$1.3 million. Through the first quarter of the fiscal year other revenues are \$4.1 million under budget.

#### **Highway Fund**

Motor fuel excise tax receipts were under budget in September by \$0.3 million. Total Highway Fund revenue was under budget for the month by \$0.5 million (-1.7 percent). Year-to-date motor fuel excise taxes are over budget by \$0.2 million, and total Highway Fund revenue exceeds budget by \$1.7 million, or 2 percent. Year-over year growth for the motor fuel taxes and the total fund are 6.3 percent and 5.3 percent, respectively.

#### National Economy

In its September forecast update, the Federal Reserve Board increased its real GDP forecast for 2018 from 2.8 percent in June to 3.1 percent. The Fed's latest 2018 GDP projection is consistent with other major forecasters who are expecting GDP growth to exceed 3 percent for the first time since the 2007-09 recession. First quarter GDP only grew 2.2 percent, but increased to 4.2 percent in the second quarter. The Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank's "GDPNow" forecasting model is projecting third quarter growth will also be in the 4 percent range. Household spending and business fixed investment are expected to grow strongly over the remainder of the calendar year.

#### Maine Economy

On September 25, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis released preliminary estimates of state personal income for the second quarter of 2018 along with the comprehensive update of state personal income. The preliminary estimate of total personal income growth for Maine was 4.2% in the second quarter of 2018, which ranks our state 25<sup>th</sup> in the nation for growth and second in New England. Nationally, personal income increased 4.2%, as well. All of the major components of personal income in Maine increased in the second quarter of 2018. Net earnings increased 5.1%, which was the largest increase in New England and higher than the national increase of 4.5%.

Annual growth rates in the most recent years were revised from 3.9% to 4.4% (2014), 4.0% to 4.2% (2015), and 3.0% to 2.8% (2016). The annual growth rate for 2017 was revised upward from 2.7% to 4.2%, which improved Maine's ranking nationally from 31<sup>st</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> and means that Maine's personal income grew by more than 4% in three of the past four years. Maine's 2017 per capita personal income was revised up from \$45,072 to \$46,455. This revision moved Maine from 31<sup>st</sup> nationally to 30<sup>th</sup> (passing Michigan) and improved the state's per capita personal income as a percent of the U.S. from 89% to 90%.

Average earnings per job in Maine grew 3.2% in 2017 to \$48,622 (from \$47,107 in 2016). This growth rate was third in New England (behind New Hampshire at 3.8% and Massachusetts at 3.6%) and equal to the national average.

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#### Attachments

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#### STATE OF MAINE Exhibit I

**Undedicated Revenues - General Fund** For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 Comparison to Budget

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	Actual		Budget		Variance ver(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		Actual		Budget		Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		otal Budgeted Fiscal Year ding 6/30/2019	
Sales and Use Tax	\$	154,922,479	\$	148,240,136	\$	6,682,343	4.5 %	\$	448,317,407	\$	433,277,800	\$	15,039,607	3.5 %	\$	1,466,005,967
Service Provider Tax		5,025,120		5,122,156		(97,036)	(1.9)%		16,080,897		15,934,644		146,253	0.9 %		62,475,124
Individual Income Tax		172,002,876		167,500,000		4,502,876	2.7 %		414,763,372		393,550,000		21,213,372	5.4 %		1,619,441,151
Corporate Income Tax		46,074,686		38,725,000		7,349,686	19.0 %		65,157,641		58,503,500		6,654,141	11.4 %		204,539,196
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax		10,857,322		12,546,977		(1,689,655)	(13.5)%		34,676,378		31,239,635		3,436,743	11.0 %		135,735,190
Insurance Companies Tax		108,127		597,698		(489,571)	(81.9)%		850,264		917,629		(67,365)	(7.3)%		74,150,000
Estate Tax		510,546		953,756		(443,210)	(46.5)%		1,805,349		3,673,971		(1,868,622)	(50.9)%		12,640,409
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties		1,193,323		1,372,218		(178,895)	(13.0)%		4,507,925		4,707,571		(199,646)	(4.2)%		18,205,011
Income from Investments		727,395		407,529		319,866	78.5 %		1,424,259		820,456		603,803	73.6 %		5,831,119
Transfer from Lottery Commission		6,001,879		4,623,366		1,378,513	29.8 %		14,532,083		14,234,359		297,724	2.1 %		57,000,000
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs		(623,791)		(4,000,000)		3,376,209	84.4 %		(1,048,317)		(6,000,000)		4,951,683	82.5 %		(66,388,623)
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing		(5,990,918)		(5,636,205)		(354,713)	(6.3)%		(17,841,725)		(17,322,091)		(519,634)	(3.0)%		(70,813,107)
Other Taxes and Fees		9,400,810		9,076,105		324,705	3.6 %		31,980,231		30,002,234		1,977,997	6.6 %		139,992,142
Other Revenues		1,888,213		3,226,576		(1,338,363)	(41.5)%		(11,221,815)		(7,100,763)		(4,121,052)	(58.0)%		9,716,061
Total Collected	\$	402,098,066	\$	382,755,312	\$	19,342,754	5.1 %	\$	1,003,983,950	\$	956,438,945	\$	47,545,005	5.0 %	\$	3,668,529,640

- (1) Included in the above is \$5,990,918 for the month and \$17,841,725 year to date, that was set aside for Revenue Sharing with cities and towns.

  (2) Figures reflect estimates of the Maine State Revenue Forcasting Committee approved in March 2018, laws enacted through the end of the 128th Legislature, 2nd Regular Session and any 2nd Special Session emergency
- (3) This report has been prepared from preliminary month end figures and is subject to change.

#### STATE OF MAINE Exhibit II

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 and 2018
Comparison to To Prior Year

				Me	onth			Fiscal Year to Date								
	Current Year		Year Prior Year		Variance Over(Under)		Percent Over(Under)		Current Year		Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)		Percent Over(Under)		
Sales and Use Tax	\$	154,922,479	\$	142,711,401	\$	12,211,077	8.6 %	\$	448,317,407	\$	420,504,468	\$	27,812,939	6.6 %		
Service Provider Tax		5,025,120		4,968,159		56,962	1.1 %		16,080,897		15,443,386		637,511	4.1 %		
Individual Income Tax		172,002,876		162,950,637		9,052,239	5.6 %		414,763,372		382,620,859		32,142,513	8.4 %		
Corporate Income Tax		46,074,686		38,708,805		7,365,881	19.0 %		65,157,641		51,144,652		14,012,990	27.4 %		
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax		10,857,322		13,225,407		(2,368,085)	(17.9)%		34,676,378		31,020,846		3,655,531	11.8 %		
Insurance Companies Tax		108,127		324,932		(216,805)	(66.7)%		850,264		358,400		491,864	137.2 %		
Estate Tax		510,546		3,237,477		(2,726,931)	(84.2)%		1,805,349		4,991,689		(3,186,340)	(63.8)%		
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties		1,193,323		1,391,746		(198,423)	(14.3)%		4,507,925		4,714,281		(206,356)	(4.4)%		
Income from Investments		727,395		411,889		315,506	76.6 %		1,424,259		864,536		559,723	64.7 %		
Transfer from Lottery Commission		6,001,879		5,956,361		45,519	0.8 %		14,532,083		16,455,414		(1,923,332)	(11.7)%		
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs		(623,791)		(2,800,138)		2,176,347	77.7 %		(1,048,317)		(4,361,438)		3,313,121	76.0 %		
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing		(5,990,918)		(5,579,574)		(411,345)	(7.4)%		(17,841,725)		(16,980,297)		(861,428)	(5.1)%		
Other Taxes and Fees		9,400,810		8,684,895		715,914	8.2 %		31,980,231		29,452,390		2,527,842	8.6 %		
Other Revenues		1,888,213		2,852,286		(964,073)	(33.8)%		(11,221,815)		(8,490,159)		(2,731,655)	(32.2)%		
Total Collected	\$	402,098,066	\$	377,044,283	\$	25,053,782	6.6 %	\$	1,003,983,950	\$	927,739,026	\$	76,244,924	8.2 %		

#### STATE OF MAINE Exhibit III

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019
All Other Comparison to Budget

All Other Comparison to Budget	_		Мо	onth			 Fiscal Year to Date							
		Actual	Budget	C	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Actual		Budget		Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		Cotal Budgeted Fiscal Year ading 6/30/2019
Detail of Other Taxes & Fees 0100s All Others 0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax 0400s Alcohol Excise Tax	\$	1,868,694 27,538 1,953,567	\$ 1,381,456 27,348 1,735,877	\$	487,238 190 217,690	35.3 % 0.7 % 12.5 %	\$ 5,626,915 78,313 6,239,871	\$	4,107,498 77,645 5,331,700	\$	1,519,417 668 908,171	37.0 % 0.9 % 17.0 %	\$	32,072,264 274,270 18,332,850
0700s Corporation Taxes 0800s Public Utilities 1000s Banking Taxes 1100s Alcoholic Beverages 1200s Amusements Tax		254,398 - 2,344,100 388,645	246,881 946 2,279,324 418,074 20,000		7,517 (946) 64,776 (29,429) (20,000)	3.0 % (100.0)% 2.8 % (7.0)% (100.0)%	1,282,368 - 6,734,450 1,124,414		1,116,224 (273,845) 6,837,972 1,371,102 80,000		166,144 273,845 (103,522) (246,688) (80,000)	14.9 % 100.0 % (1.5)% (18.0)% (100.0)%		9,838,649 6,250,000 27,891,990 5,322,838 110,000
1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel 1400s Business Taxes 1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses 1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife		697,084 929,775 257,417 650,758	763,416 698,523 405,963 1,071,847		(20,000) (66,332) 231,252 (148,546) (421,089)	(8.7)% 33.1 % (36.6)% (39.3)%	2,180,147 2,518,914 1,108,555 4,957,432		2,290,248 2,695,794 1,359,401 4,927,450		(80,000) (110,101) (176,880) (250,846) 29,982	(100.0)% (4.8)% (6.6)% (18.5)% 0.6 %		8,216,649 10,822,855 4,331,202 16,020,381
1900s Other Licenses  Total Other Taxes & Fees	\$	28,834 9,400,810	\$ 26,450 9,076,105	\$	2,384	9.0 %	\$ 128,853 31,980,231	\$	81,045 30,002,234	\$	1,977,997	59.0 %	\$	508,194
Detail of Other Revenues 2200s Federal Revenues 2300s County Revenues	\$	10,855	\$ 27,916	\$	(17,061)	(61.1)%	\$ 37,232	\$	83,750	\$	(46,518)	(55.5)%	\$	335,000
2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns 2500s Revenues from Private Sources 2600s Current Service Charges 2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds 2800s Sales of Property & Equipment		140 110,104 2,293,068 (528,009) 2,055	23,166 171,716 2,131,480 862,298 10,000		(23,026) (61,612) 161,588 (1,390,307) (7,945)	(99.4)% (35.9)% 7.6 % (161.2)% (79.5)%	88,286 395,128 7,434,285 (19,211,807) 35,061		69,498 515,146 6,540,368 (14,343,793) 34,268		18,788 (120,018) 893,917 (4,868,014) 793	27.0 % (23.3)% 13.7 % (33.9)% 2.3 %		277,996 1,527,000 24,102,919 (16,660,454) 133,600
Total Other Revenues	\$	1,888,213	\$ 3,226,576	\$	(1,338,363)	(41.5)%	\$ (11,221,815)	\$	(7,100,763)	\$	(4,121,052)	(58.0)%	\$	9,716,061

### STATE OF MAINE Exhibit IV

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 and 2018
All Other Comparison to To Prior Year

All Other Comparison to 10 Prior Year			Мо	onth			Fiscal Year to Date							
	Current Year	1	Prior Year	O	Variance ver(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	(	Current Year		Prior Year	O	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	
Detail of Other Taxes & Fees 0100s All Others 0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax 0400s Alcohol Excise Tax 0700s Corporation Taxes 0800s Public Utilities 1000s Banking Taxes 1100s Alcoholic Beverages 1200s Amusements Tax 1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel 1400s Business Taxes 1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses	\$ 1,868,694 27,538 1,953,567 254,398 - 2,344,100 388,645 - 697,084 929,775 257,417	\$	998,719 27,485 1,946,681 271,379 - 2,347,100 475,427 - 706,122 470,422 281,502	\$	869,975 53 6,886 (16,981) - (3,000) (86,782) - (9,039) 459,352 (24,084)	87.1 % 0.2 % 0.4 % (6.3)% - % (0.1)% (18.3)% - % (1.3)% 97.6 % (8.6)%	\$	5,626,915 78,313 6,239,871 1,282,368 - 6,734,450 1,124,414 - 2,180,147 2,518,914 1,108,555	\$	3,614,781 78,268 6,030,846 1,182,975 1,202 6,624,850 1,258,069 - 2,307,710 2,088,985 1,079,427	\$	2,012,134 45 209,025 99,393 (1,202) 109,600 (133,656) - (127,563) 429,930 29,127	55.7 % 0.1 % 3.5 % 8.4 % (100.0)% 1.7 % (10.6)% - % (5.5)% 20.6 % 2.7 %	
1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife 1900s Other Licenses	650,758 28,834		1,132,700 27,359		(481,941) 1,475	(42.5)% 5.4 %		4,957,432 128,853		5,090,395 94,882		(132,962) 33,971	(2.6)% 35.8 %	
Total Other Taxes & Fees	\$ 9,400,810	\$	8,684,895	\$	715,914	8.2 %	\$	31,980,231	\$	29,452,390	\$	2,527,842	8.6 %	
Detail of Other Revenues 2200s Federal Revenues 2300s County Revenues 2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns 2500s Revenues from Private Sources 2600s Current Service Charges	\$ 10,855 - 140 110,104 2,293,068	\$	24,410 - 2,134 210,323 2,075,341	\$	(13,555) - (1,994) (100,219) 217,728	(55.5)% - % (93.4)% (47.7)% 10.5 %	\$	37,232 - 88,286 395,128 7,434,285	\$	77,616 - 79,048 550,700 7,590,379	\$	(40,384) - 9,238 (155,572) (156,094)	(52.0)% - % 11.7 % (28.2)% (2.1)%	
2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds 2800s Sales of Property & Equipment	(528,009) 2,055		537,449 2,629		(1,065,458) (574)	(198.2)% (21.8)%		(19,211,807) 35,061		(16,855,822) 67,919		(2,355,984) (32,858)	(14.0)% (48.4)%	
Total Other Revenues	\$ 1,888,213	\$	2,852,286	\$	(964,073)	(33.8)%	\$	(11,221,815)	\$	(8,490,159)	\$	(2,731,655)	(32.2)%	

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Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 Comparison to Budget

Month Fiscal Year to Date Total Budgeted Fiscal Year Variance Percent Variance Percent Ending 6/30/2019 Actual Budget Over(Under) Over(Under) Actual Budget Over(Under) Over(Under) Fuel Taxes 21,997,500 22,275,731 (278,231) (1.2)% 63,557,951 63,406,224 151,727 0.2 % 229,929,720 Motor Vehicle Registration & Fees Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees 4,023,034 4,223,999 (200,965) (4.8)% 24,036,852 22,397,458 1,639,394 7.3 % 88,299,681 22,253 8.9 % 3.0 % 272,461 250,208 773,083 750,625 22,458 3,202,500 Miscellaneous Taxes & Fees 132,122 98,818 33,304 33.7 % 392,034 353,803 38,231 10.8 % 1,280,229 Fines, Forfeits & Penalties 66,728 75,165 (8,437) (11.2)% 185,390 255,589 (70,199)(27.5)% 739,039 Earnings on Investments 55,039 21,813 33,226 152.3 % 83,157 65,439 17,718 27.1 % 261,754 All Other (14.2)% 10,163,100 493,991 575,570 (81,579)1,455,253 1,516,523 (61,270)(4.0)%Total Collected 27,040,875 \$ 27,521,304 \$ (480,429) 90,483,720 \$ 1,738,059 2.0 % \$ 333,876,023 (1.7)% \$ 88,745,661 \$

Exhibit V

#### STATE OF MAINE

Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund
For the Third Month Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 and 2018
Comparison to To Prior Year

_			Mo	onth			_	Fiscal Year to Date								
C	Current Year		Prior Year	O	Variance ever(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	C	Current Year		Prior Year	O	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)			
\$	21,997,500	\$	22,187,314	\$	(189,814)	(0.9)%	\$	63,557,951	\$	59,780,231	\$	3,777,721	6.3 %			
	4,023,034		4,345,467		(322,432)	(7.4)%		24,036,852		23,165,734		871,117	3.8 %			
	272,461		231,667		40,794	17.6 %		773,083		740,548		32,536	4.4 %			
	132,122		103,287		28,835	27.9 %		392,034		379,174		12,861	3.4 %			
	66,728		75,163		(8,435)	(11.2)%		185,390		255,587		(70,198)	(27.5)%			
	55,039		35,427		19,613	55.4 %		83,157		74,212		8,945	12.1 %			
	493,991		500,233		(6,242)	(1.2)%		1,455,253		1,518,437		(63,183)	(4.2)%			
\$	27,040,875	\$	27,478,558	\$	(437,682)	(1.6)%	\$	90,483,720	\$	85,913,923	\$	4,569,798	5.3 %			
	\$	4,023,034 272,461 132,122 66,728 55,039 493,991	\$ 21,997,500 \$ 4,023,034 272,461 132,122 66,728 55,039 493,991	Current Year Prior Year  \$ 21,997,500 \$ 22,187,314 4,023,034 4,345,467 272,461 231,667 132,122 103,287 66,728 75,163 55,039 35,427 493,991 500,233	\$ 21,997,500 \$ 22,187,314 \$ 4,023,034 4,345,467 272,461 231,667 132,122 103,287 66,728 75,163 55,039 35,427 493,991 500,233	Current Year         Prior Year         Variance Over(Under)           \$ 21,997,500         \$ 22,187,314         \$ (189,814)           4,023,034         4,345,467         (322,432)           272,461         231,667         40,794           132,122         103,287         28,835           66,728         75,163         (8,435)           55,039         35,427         19,613           493,991         500,233         (6,242)	Current Year         Prior Year         Variance Over(Under)         Percent Over(Under)           \$ 21,997,500         \$ 22,187,314         \$ (189,814)         (0.9)%           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Exhibit VI

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

	August'18	% Ch.	August'17	% Ch.	August'16	Average Last 3 Mos. Vs. Last Yr.	Moving Total Last 12 Mos. Vs. Prior	YTD Growth CY'18 vs. '17 Thru August
						% Change	% Change	% Change
<b>Building Supply</b>	\$267,851.6	7.8%	\$248,479.6	9.1%	\$227,840.6	6.4%	8.2%	7.9%
Food Store	\$239,590.0	3.8%	\$230,866.5	4.6%	\$220,625.9	3.5%	3.7%	4.0%
General Merchandise	\$337,111.7	-1.1%	\$340,976.1	8.7%	\$313,782.2	-6.7%	1.8%	-2.0%
Other Retail	\$270,157.6	13.1%	\$238,928.4	5.4%	\$226,749.4	13.2%	8.7%	14.2%
Auto/Transportation	\$510,267.6	11.0%	\$459,809.5	1.3%	\$453,910.7	5.3%	4.2%	4.9%
Restaurant	\$359,678.1	6.1%	\$338,947.0	3.8%	\$326,668.5	5.4%	4.6%	4.6%
Lodging	\$218,910.8	4.6%	\$209,235.2	5.0%	\$199,289.3	3.6%	5.6%	6.2%
Consumer Sales	\$2,203,567.5	6.6%	\$2,067,242.3	5.0%	\$1,968,866.6	4.1%	5.0%	8.8%
<b>Business Operating</b>	\$201,796.5	11.7%	\$180,694.2	3.1%	\$175,199.6	11.5%	6.2%	5.2%
Total	\$2,405,364.0	7.0%	\$2,247,936.6	4.8%	\$2,144,066.2	4.7%	5.1%	5.5%
Utilities	\$137,049.9	27.5%	\$107,483.1	-17.6%	\$130,466.1			
Total plus Utilities	\$2,542,413.9	7.9%	\$2,355,419.7	3.6%	\$2,274,532.3			