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## Quarterly Report on the Status of Financial Transaction Cards

Reporting Period: October 2017 - December 2017



January 8, 2018

The Honorable Greg Davids Chair House Tax Committee 585 State Office Building

The Honorable Jim Knoblach Chair House Ways and Means Committee 453 State Office Building The Honorable Roger Chamberlain Chair Senate Tax Committee 3225 MN Senate Building

The Honorable Julie Rosen Chair Senate Finance Committee 3235 MN Senate Building

## **Dear Committee Chairs:**

Minnesota Statute 270C.425 (d) requires the Minnesota Department of Revenue to provide a quarterly report on the status of financial transaction cards used to pay taxes.

The department contracts at the state level through the Department of Administration with a third party vendor, Value Payment Systems (VPS), as the financial transaction card processor.

VPS charges a fee for this service based on the financial transaction card type selected. The fee goes directly to VPS. The fee amount is a flat rate of \$3.75 for debit or ATM/Debit transactions and 2.25 percent (minimum of \$3.75) of the payment amount for all other payment types.

VPS accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover credit and debit cards. They also accept ATM/Debit cards with the NYCE, STAR, Pulse, or Accel logos.

The below information is for the quarter beginning October 1, 2017, and ending December 31, 2017.

<b>Total Number of Transactions</b>	<b>Total Dollar Amount of Transactions</b>
7,291	\$6,841,952.51

Sincerely,

Terri Steenblock

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