## MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

October 31, 2024

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Senator Bruce Anderson, Ranking Minority Member Senate State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee 2209 Minnesota State Building Saint Paul, MN 55155 Representative Ginny Klevorn, Chair House State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Centennial Office Building Saint Paul, MN 55155

Representative Jim Nash, Ranking Minority Member House State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Centennial Office Building Saint Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representatives and Senators:

Attached is the annual uncollectible debt summary report for fiscal year 2024 as required by Minn. Stat. § 16D.09.

The statute provides eight reasons for writing off debt owed to the state:

- 1. All reasonable collection efforts have been exhausted.
- 2. The cost of further collection action will exceed the amount recoverable.
- 3. The debt is legally without merit or cannot be substantiated by evidence.
- 4. The debtor cannot be located.
- 5. The available assets or income, current or anticipated, that may be available for payment of the debt are insufficient.
- 6. The debt has been discharged in bankruptcy.
- 7. The applicable statute of limitations for collection of the debt has expired.
- 8. It is not in the public interest to pursue collection of the debt.

From fiscal year 2023 to fiscal year 2024, the total number of uncollectible debts decreased approximately 41 percent, from 133,653 to 79,475, while the total amount of uncollectible debts increased approximately 4 percent, from \$107,186,607 to \$110,957,599.

If you have any questions, please contact Paul Moore, Assistant Commissioner of Accounting Services, at 651-201-8004.

Sincerely,

Erin M. Campbell

Erin Campbell Commissioner

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## Minnesota Management and Budget

M.S. 16D.09 Uncollectible Debt Summary Report *Fiscal Year 2024* 

|                  | Percent of    |              |                  | Percent of   |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
|                  | <u>Number</u> | <u>Total</u> | Dollar Amount    | <u>Total</u> |
| Write Offs       |               |              |                  |              |
| Under \$10,000   | 78,103        | 98%          | \$46,103,218.58  | 42%          |
| \$10,000 or more | 1,372         | 2%           | \$64,854,380.87  | 58%          |
| Total Write-Offs | 79,475        | 100%         | \$110,957,599.46 | 100%         |

| Debt Breakdown        |        |                  |
|-----------------------|--------|------------------|
| Over \$999,999        | 1      | \$1,181,632.85   |
| \$500,000 - \$999,999 | 11     | \$7,044,760.48   |
| \$250,000 - \$499,999 | 23     | \$7,528,831.52   |
| \$100,000 - \$249,999 | 103    | \$14,962,721.27  |
| \$50,000 - \$99,999   | 195    | \$13,241,203.89  |
| \$10,000 - \$49,999   | 1,039  | \$20,895,230.86  |
| Under \$10,000        | 78,103 | \$46,103,218.58  |
|                       | 79,475 | \$110,957,599.46 |