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October 29, 2024

Honorable Michael J. Rodrigues, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means State House – Room 212 Boston, MA 02133

Honorable Aaron Michlewitz, Chair House Committee on Ways and Means State House – Room 243 Boston, MA 02133

RE: Settlements and Judgments Report — Fiscal Year 2024 Accounts Payable Reporting

Dear Chair Rodrigues and Chair Michlewitz:

Pursuant to Section 2 of Chapter 28 of the Acts of 2023, the Office of the Comptroller hereby submits to the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means a report on payments made from the Settlements and Judgments reserve (1599-3384) for the Accounts Payable period of Fiscal Year 2024.

The attached report provides information on payees, amounts, and the associated department or agency for settlements and judgments paid from appropriation account 1599-3384. This information is also posted quarterly on the Comptroller's transparency website, CTHRU, which may be accessed via this portal link, <u>https://www.macomptroller.org/cthru</u>.

<u>Spending in the accounts payable period of Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2024 – August 31, 2024)</u>

A total of \$101,591 was paid from the Settlements and Judgements reserve account during the accounts payable period of Fiscal Year 2024. As you know, the accounts payable period is that limited time after July 1st of each year, when departments are able to process payments that are attributed to the just-ended prior fiscal year.

Settlements and Judgements Report – Fiscal Year 2024 Accounts Payable October 29, 2024

Recap for the full Fiscal Year 2024

Below is an updated table, which recaps total Fiscal Year 2024 payments by period. As I noted in my prior report, the total amount of payments in Fiscal Year 2024 was high. I am very appreciative of the funding provided by the Legislature, both in the 2024 GAA and in Supplementary Budgets. Thanks to these actions by the Legislature, we were able to make timely payments and avoid the delays that had occurred in some prior years.

FY24 – Spending (July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024)	
Original Appropriation	\$15,000,000
Quarter 1 Spending	(\$4,549,010)
Quarter 2 Spending	(\$10,812,879)
Quarter 3 Spending	(\$358,205)
Supplemental Appropriation	\$15,000,000
Quarter 4 Spending	(\$14,095,775)
Accounts Payable Spending	(101,591)
Total Spending July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024	\$29,917,460
Remaining Balance (rolled into FY25)	\$82,540

This is the final report on Settlements & Judgements for Fiscal Year 2024. We are now on to Fiscal Year 2025, and in the coming weeks we will finish Quarter One and report to you. Please let me know if I may provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

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Settlement and Judgment Payments Appropriation 1599-3384

Accounts Payable Period BFY2024 Paid on Behalf of **Payee Name** Payment Date **Line Amount** DOC NUTTER MCCLENNEN & FISH LLP 07/12/24 \$ 4,600.00 DOT Commonwealth of MA Unemployment Trust Fund 07/11/24 \$ 28,470.00 PAR LAW OFFICES OF BEAUREGARD BURKE & FRANCO 09/17/24 \$ 6,000.00 PAR 8/1/2024 \$ (15,000.00)Rodriguez, Lindsey M POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 3,553.71 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 3,120.00 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 2,982.00 POL BUTTERS BRAZILIAN, LLP 07/12/24 \$ 1,466.00 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 1,380.00 POL DUGGAN & GIANACOPLOS, LLC 07/12/24 \$ 1,239.30 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 1,180.00 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 920.00 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 360.00 POL BUTTERS BRAZILIAN, LLP 07/12/24 \$ 216.00 POL BUTTERS BRAZILIAN, LLP 07/12/24 \$ 200.00 POL **BRODY HARDOON PERKINS & KESTEN** 07/12/24 \$ 160.00 4,575.00 RCC Schneider, Kayla R 7/13/2024 \$ TRC Commonwealth of MA Unemployment Trust Fund 07/11/24 \$ 12,741.00 TRC Commonwealth of MA Unemployment Trust Fund 08/01/24 \$ 2,225.00 VET DOHERTY, WALLACE, PILLSBURY & MURPHY PC 07/12/24 \$ 677.50 VET DOHERTY, WALLACE, PILLSBURY & MURPHY PC 480.00 07/12/24 \$ WEL SOUTH COASTAL COUNTIES LEGAL SRVCS INC 07/08/24 \$ 19,900.00 Payroll Tax \$ 20,145.63 \$ 101,591.14 Total