BACKGROUNDER FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Fuel Tax Accountability Act will ensure that the fuel tax applicable to on-road travel in Saskatchewan will be directed at preserving and improving the provincial highway system.

The following illustration presents a summary of the provincial on-road fuel tax revenues and provincial highway expenditures, based on the 2006-07 Saskatchewan Budget estimates.

On Road Fuel Tax vs. Provincial Highway Expenditures 2006-07 Budget Estimate

		2006-07 Budget
\$ Millions		
Total Fuel Tax Revenue		388.4
Less: Rebates/Refunds	(34.8)	
	(40.7)	
Less Off-road Fuel Tax Revenue*	(43.7)	
Net On-road Fuel Revenue*		309.9
Total Provincial Highways Expenditures		
Dept. of Highways & Transportation		344.9
Less: Executive Administration Costs	(0.7)	
Airport Expenditures	(1.6)	
Net Highways & Transportation	, ,	342.6
Expenditures	(30.4)	
Less: Federal Funding		312.2
Net Provincial Highways Expenditures		
Excess Expenditures over Revenues		2.3

^{*}Off-road fuel includes railway fuel, aviation/turbo fuel, and liquid propane.

^{*}On-road fuel includes taxable sales of gasoline, diesel and gasohol.