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TO: Bill Diamond, Senate Chair
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Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

FROM: Neria Douglass, State Auditor

SUBJECT: The Initiative to Streamline State Government – Priority Programs

The Maine Department of Audit has two programs that advance the core mission of the agency. We have the Departmental Bureau that conducts the financial audit of the State of Maine's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the federal compliance audit of all State agencies subject to the Single Audit Act. This work is required for the State to receive federal grants and awards that totaled \$2.8 Billion in FY 2008. Following passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, additional federal awards are available to the State of Maine, along with added audit responsibilities. Less than half of the Departmental Bureau budget is funded by the General Fund. We plan to accomplish this work within existing General Fund resources.

The Unorganized Territory is administered from the Maine Department of Audit through the position of Fiscal Administrator. This mission does not make expenditures from the General Fund, but is funded by taxpayers of the Unorganized Territory.