PROGRAM 6 – SHARED TAXES, COMMERCIAL PASSENGER VESSEL EXCISE TAXES DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Payments are made to municipalities for the purpose of improving port facilities, harbor infrastructure, and other services provided to the commercial passenger vessels and the passengers on board those vessels as outlined in AS 43.52.230.

II. PROGRAM PROCEDURES

The Tax Division of the Department of Revenue administers the Shared Taxes Program. Commercial Passenger Vessel Excise Taxes are shared annually based on information included on tax returns submitted by the taxpayer to the Department and payments received as of December 31. Communities are not required to make application for sharings.

From the total tax collected, \$5 per passenger is shared to each of the first seven municipalities where the travel occurred. If a municipality is within a borough, the \$5 per port amount is split equally between the municipality and borough.

III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS AND SUGGESTED AUDIT PROCEDURES

There are no special compliance requirements or suggested audit procedures for this program.