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CONTROLLER'S OFFICE RECEIVES TOP AWARD FOR ITS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

RALEIGH – The Office of the State Controller has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its 2009 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, known as the CAFR. The award is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

“I am proud to announce that North Carolina and the Office of the State Controller have once again received this prestigious award” said State Controller David McCoy. “This year’s award marks the 16th consecutive year that this Office’s efforts have been selected for recognition. This award validates our commitment to complete disclosure of North Carolina state government finances.

“Through our award-winning Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and our other financial reporting publications, we are providing North Carolina’s citizens with an opportunity to see the State’s books and review the State’s financial records. Increasing the availability of financial information on our website is a top priority, and I encourage our citizens to visit our website to review these publications.”

According to the press release issued by GFOA, the North Carolina State Controller’s “CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive ‘spirit of full disclosure’ to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.”

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving about 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL, and Washington, D.C.

The 2009 CAFR can be found on the State Controller’s website under “Recent Publications” at:
<http://www.osc.nc.gov/index2.html>

The State Controller is North Carolina’s chief fiscal officer. The Office of the State Controller serves as an independent resource to ensure the financial integrity of the State by providing accounting, disbursing, payroll, internal control and financial reporting systems that serve state agencies, employees and the public and maximizing financial return through its statewide cash management plan. The OSC issues numerous financial reports including: Financial Highlights, General Fund Monthly Financial Report, IT Expenditures Report, Statewide Accounts Receivable Report, the State’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) as well as the short, easy-to-read version of the CAFR known as the “popular” report.