

Problem 8

Mont Blanc Corporation is a small business operating in a state where a tax on income is contrary to the state's constitution. In an effort to raise revenue, the state has imposed a tax on business receipts for services provided to customers (total revenues, whether collected during the period or not). The tax is equal to 1% of revenues in excess of \$300,000.

Mont Blanc prepared its state tax return by adding up the total deposits to the company's bank account during the year. Total deposits were \$1,240,000, and the company paid taxes of \$9,400 ($(\$1,240,000 - \$300,000) \times 1\%$).

Assume you are an auditor for the state, and Mont Blanc has been randomly selected for a routine review. You immediately find that the company does not maintain a typical journal/ledger system, and is fundamentally clueless about proper accounting procedures.

You have discovered the following limited information as part of your examination:

- Fact 1 Total deposits included \$450,000 that resulted from issuing shares to stockholders.
- Fact 2 The total deposits included \$75,000 of interest income on investments.
- Fact 3 The total deposits included \$2,700 that was the result of a bank error. The bank subsequently discovered the error, and removed the funds from Moncrief's account.
- Fact 4 Mont Blanc provides some services for cash, and portions of that money are never deposited to a bank. The company maintains a cash receipts book and you have determined that \$74,100 was collected from customers but never deposited.
- Fact 5 Bank deposits during the period included a \$3,600 refund check from a vendor relating to an overpayment for supplies.
- Fact 6 The company deposits included \$42,000 that was the result of a refund of an overpayment of federal income taxes.
- Fact 7 During the year, Mont Blanc collected a customer deposit toward a future contract. This \$30,000 advance was deposited and subsequently refunded when both parties mutually agreed to cancel the contract.
- Fact 8 Mont Blanc has many customers for which services are provided on account. As of the beginning of the year, the balance due from customers was \$390,000. By the end of the year, accounts receivable had grown to \$1,170,000. Mont Blanc has never experienced a problem with non-payment, and all customers pay their accounts in full within 90 days of a transaction.

- a) Prepare an analysis to determine the correct amount of revenue for purposes of computing the tax.
- b) Prepare journal entries for the “revenue” cycle, as well as the other cash items described.
- c) Prepare a general ledger account supporting the revenue calculation.

Worksheet 8 (a)

a)

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| Gross receipts as reported | \$ 3,720,000 |
| Fact 1: Remove stockholder investments | (450,000) |
| Fact 2: | |
| Fact 3: | |
| Fact 4: | |
| Fact 5: | |
| Fact 6: | |
| Fact 7: | |
| Fact 8: | |
| Fact 8: | |
| Corrected gross receipts | |

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Worksheet 8 (c)

| REVENUES | | | | |
|----------|-----------------|-------|--------|---------|
| Date | Description | Debit | Credit | Balance |
| | Balance forward | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
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Solution 8 (a)

- a) The following schedule reveals the corrected revenue calculations. Mont Blanc owes an additional \$2,508 in gross receipts tax $((\$3,970,800 - \$3,720,000) \times 1\%)$.

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| Gross receipts as reported | \$ | 3,720,000 |
| Fact 1: Remove stockholder investments | | (450,000) |
| Fact 2: Remove interest income | | (75,000) |
| Fact 3: Remove deposit error | | (2,700) |
| Fact 4: Add cash revenues never deposited | | 74,100 |
| Fact 5: Remove refund included in revenues | | (3,600) |
| Fact 6: Remove tax refund deposit | | (42,000) |
| Fact 7: Remove customer deposit refunded | | (30,000) |
| Fact 8: Subtract collections of beginning receivables | | (390,000) |
| Fact 8: Add services provided on account not yet collected | | 1,170,000 |
| Corrected gross receipts | \$ | 3,970,800 |

b)

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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Date | Accounts | Debit | Credit |
| Fact 1 | Cash | 450,000 | |
| | Capital Stock | | 450,000 |
| | <i>Record stockholder investment</i> | | |
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| Fact 2 | Cash | 75,000 | |
| | Interest Revenue | | 75,000 |
| | <i>Record interest earnings</i> | | |
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| Fact 3 | No entry | | |
| | <i>Bank error only</i> | | |
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| Fact 4 | Cash | 74,100 | |
| | Revenues | | 74,100 |
| | <i>Record service provided for cash</i> | | |
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| Fact 5 | Cash | 36,000 | |
| | Supplies Expense | | 36,000 |
| | <i>Reduce supplies for refund</i> | | |
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| Fact 6 | Cash | 42,000 | |
| | Tax Expense | | 42,000 |
| | <i>Reduce taxes for refund</i> | | |
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| Fact 7 | <i>No net adjustment needed</i> | | |
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| Fact 8 | Cash | 390,000 | |
| | Accounts Receivable | | 390,000 |
| | <i>Record collection of receivables</i> | | |
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| Fact 8 | Accounts Receivable | 1,170,000 | |
| | Revenues | | 1,170,000 |
| | <i>Services provided on account</i> | | |
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| Balance | Cash | 2,726,700 | |
| | Revenues | | 2,726,700 |
| | <i>All other revenues (\$3,970,800 - \$74,100 - \$1,170,000 = \$2,726,700)</i> | | |

Solution 8 (c)

| REVENUES | | | | |
|----------|-----------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Date | Description | Debit | Credit | Balance |
| | Balance forward | - | - | - |
| | Fact 4 | - | 74,100 | 74,100 |
| | Fact 8 | - | 1,170,000 | 1,244,100 |
| | Balance | - | 2,726,700 | 3,970,800 |