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APRIL 15 DEADLINE FOR FILING PROPERTY TAX RENDITIONS

Michael Barnett, Chief Appraiser, Smith County Appraisal District, reminds business owners that property renditions must be filed with the appraisal district no later than April 15, 2011. By written request, the deadline may be extended to May 16.

Business owners and operators are required by law to render any tangible personal property that is held or used to produce income, such as furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and inventory. State laws impose significant penalties for late or fraudulent renditions.

In December, Smith County Appraisal District mailed out approximately 7500 personal property renditions. If your business did not receive a form, contact the appraisal district office. Motor vehicle, boat, heavy equipment and manufactured home dealers are required to follow a different procedure to report certain types of inventory. Dealers should check with the appraisal district for details.

The law requires that property owners provide all information requested on the rendition forms. "It is a criminal violation to make false statements on renditions," Mr. Barnett said. Renditions are confidential and not open to public inspection.

For forms or more information, contact the Smith County Appraisal District, 245 SSE Loop 323, Tyler, (903) 510-8600.

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