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Taxpayers may now file Colorado use tax online

Denver, CO -- The Colorado Department of Revenue offers many online/electronic services. Some of these services allow taxpayers to file income and sales tax returns online, pay tax, and verify addresses for deliveries in Colorado. Now, Online Consumer Use Tax filing is available. Many businesses and individuals have no idea what use tax is, let alone when it may be due. Use tax is paid by a purchaser of taxable personal property that will be used, consumed or stored in Colorado when sales tax is not collected by the seller.

Colorado's consumer use tax rate is 2.9%. For purchases where you didn't pay 2.9% sales tax to the seller, 2.9% use tax must be paid by April 15 each year for individuals. Businesses must pay by January 20th for the previous year, unless the accumulated tax reaches \$300; then the payment is due by the 20th of the following month. In addition, buyers who reside in certain special districts like the RTD district in the Denver Metro area will owe use tax to that district.

With the new online use tax filing system, you can file and pay use tax online. The online system has built-in tax rates for the jurisdictions applicable to the business or residence address. The system calculates the amount of tax owed based on the purchase total, helps to avoid errors and is easy to use. File online at www.Colorado.gov/RevenueOnline. However, taxpayers who have no access to the Internet may mail a paper Consumer Use Tax Return, form DR 0252.

Home-rule cities in Colorado collect their own taxes and have their own sales and use tax rules. If your business is located in a home-rule city, you are advised to contact the city directly to discuss use tax on your purchases in their jurisdictions.

For additional information about Colorado use tax, visit our Web site www.TaxColorado.com or attend a class on this topic. A complete list of classes may be found at www.TaxSeminars.state.co.us

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