REGISTRATION INFORMATION TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX

Registration Process

You are encouraged to register between now and January 1. Processing registration information and updating the Department of Revenue's (DOR) systems can take one to three business days. Please allow for this processing time when filing your first return due February 20, 2006.

Required Information

Before registering, you must have the following account numbers available:

• Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)

And one of the following account numbers:

- Sales and Use Tax Permit Number,
- Withholding Tax Number, or
- Corporation Tax Number.

If you are not currently registered with the DOR for one of these taxes, please contact the Division of Sales and Use Tax at (502) 564-5170, option 2 or by e-mail at DOR.Web.Response.telecom@ky.gov before proceeding.

Account Administrator

Select the name of the account administrator for your KY *E-Tax* account carefully. The person named as administrator must be a responsible officer or authorized designee of the company, and must be authorized to file and pay state taxes. Your administrator will be able to grant access to additional users within your business.

Access for Registration

If you are currently registered and file your Kentucky Sales and Use Tax Return or Utility Gross Receipts License Tax through KY *E-Tax*, you are not required to complete this process a second time. Proceed to the Telecommunications Tax Web page <u>http://revenue.ky.gov/business/telecom.htm</u> and click on Ky E-Tax Registration. Logon using the User ID and password for the administrator of your sales tax account or UGRLT account. (See below for detailed instructions.)

There are two ways to access the registration segment for KY *E-Tax*.

• From the DOR's Web page <u>http://revenue.ky.gov</u>, select the KY *E-Tax* logo in the upper right-hand corner. From the KY *E-tax* Web page, select "Telecommunications Tax" under E-Registration to begin the registration process. **OR**

• From the Telecommunications Tax Web page <u>http://revenue.ky.gov/business/telecom.htm</u>, select the link to the KY *E-Tax* registration.

Confirmation for E-Tax

An e-mail confirmation will be sent when your *E-Tax* registration information is verified and accepted. To guarantee receipt of this e-mail, and to assure that your account has been set up before filing your first return, the e-mail address must be set up correctly.

Telecommunications Tax System

After receipt of the confirmation e-mail, the new administrator should access the Telecommunications Tax System (TTS). Additional information relative to this tax and your business account will be requested the first time you log in to complete the registration process. However, filing a return and making payment can follow immediately after this process is complete. Each month the administrator or authorized user must access the system to file returns and make electronic payments.

To access the TTS, go to the DOR Web page, select "Business" from the menu listing down the left-hand column. From the "Business Information" page, select Telecommunications Tax. Click on the Ky E-Tax icon in the upper right-hand corner for the logon prompt. You will need the tax account number assigned by the DOR to your business during the KY *E-Tax* registration process and forwarded to you in the confirmation e-mail and the user ID and password created by the administrator during the initial registration process. You may want to add this site to your favorites for easy access each month when filing and paying your Telecommunications Tax Return online.

Online Filing vs. FTP (File Transfer Protocol)

The Telecommunications Tax System has been designed to capture the return data based on your service area. If your service area is large, you may prefer to submit your return data in a specific file format compatible with our processing requirements rather than completing the online return. (A pre-test will be required to use this method.) Contact the Division of Sales and Use Tax at (502) 564-5170, option 2 to receive an information guide and file layout requirements for submitting return data via FTP. The guide is available for download from the web site.

Payment Options

- **Credit card** A 2 percent convenience fee is charged for processing these payments (Visa, MasterCard).
- **E-check** Banking information, such as the bank name and routing and transit number (RTN), your bank account number, and the account type (checking or savings) will be required.

 EFT-Electronic Funds Transfer – A Form 10A700, Authorization Agreement for Electronic Funds Transfer must be completed prior to submitting payment. The form is available on the E-Tax website at http://revenue.ky.gov/etax.htm.

Software Specifications

In order to use the DOR's KY *E-Tax* system for filing and paying taxes online, your computer system must have one of the following:

Internet Explorer 5.5 or above Netscape 6.2 or above

The system was designed at a screen resolution of 800 x 600 pixels. For best results, use this setting.

Online Help

The KY *E-Tax* system maintains an online help menu which will answer questions about filing returns and making payment using this system. If you have additional questions, please contact the Division of Sales and Use Tax at (502) 564-5170, option 2.