THE CITY OF SEATTLE

DIRECTOR'S RULE IMPLEMENTING SEATTLE BUSINESS TAX ORDINANCE RULE 5-807

<u>Seattle Rule 5-807</u> <u>Outdoor advertising and advertising display services.</u>

(1) Definitions

- (a) The term "outdoor advertising" means the business of rendering an advertising service to others by posting or painting advertising copy upon billboards owned or controlled by the outdoor advertiser. It also includes any electronic messaging signs used to advertise products or services.
- (b) The term "advertising display service" means the business of installing and maintaining advertising displays upon property of others, when title to the property used in the display is retained by the person engaged in such business.
- (2) Business License Tax. Persons engaged in the business of outdoor advertising or advertising display services are taxable under the service and other business license tax classification (SMC 5.45.050(G)) upon the gross income from such services.
- (3) Rental of billboard and advertising space on real property. The rental of billboards, billboard space, or advertising space on the side of buildings is a "license to use" real property and subject to tax. It is not a rental of real property even when the period of the rental is longer than 30 days.

Effective: July 15, 2005

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DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

I Kenneth J. Nakatsu, Director of the Department of Executive Administration of the City of Seattle, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury of law, that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as adopted by the City of Seattle, Department of Executive Administration.

DATED this 15th day of July, 2005.

CITY OF SEATTLE, a Washington municipality

By:

Kenneth J. Nakatsu, Director

Department of Executive Administration

STATE OF WASHINGTON - KING COUNTY

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on

Notary public for the State of Washington,

residing in Seattle

State of Washington, King County

City of Seattle

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

The Director of Finance, acting under the authority of Seattle Municipal Code Chapters 3.02 and 5.55, proposes to adopt new rules for implementing the Seattle Business and Occupation Tax Ordinance (Seattle, Municipal Code, Chapter. 5.45). Please note that although these rules are applicable to SMC 5.45, the individual rules may also apply to other chapters of the City's Tax Code, including, but not limited to, SMC 5.30 (Definitions), SMC 5.32 (Revenue Code), SMC 5.40 (Admissions Tax), SMC 5.48 (Business Tax.—Utilities) and SMC 5.52 (Gambling Tax). The following rules are proposed for adoption and will become effective as of April 30, 2005:

Seattle Rule 5.006 - Tax Returns --Filing and Payment

Seattle Rule 5-007 -- Penalties

Seattle Rule 5-031 -- Measure of Tax -- Retailers and Wholesalers

Seattle Rule 5-032 -- Measure of Tax --Service and other business activities

Seattle Rule 5-035 -- Freight, and Delivery Charges

Seattle Rule 5-040 -- Corporations, Massachusetts trusts

Seattle Rule 5-043 -- Engaging in

Seattle Rule 5-063 -- Returned goods, allowances, cash discounts

Seattle Rule 5-100 -- Extracting natural

Seattle Rule 5-112 - Commercial or industrial use

Seattle Rule 5-127 - Sales to and by the State of Washington, counties, cities, school districts, and municipal subdivisions.

Seattle Rule 5-130 -- Selling price --Advertised prices including sales tax

Seattle Rule 5-131 - Trade ins, selling price, sellers' tax measures

Seattle Rule 5-132 - Leased depart-

Seattle Rule 5-133 -- Warranties and maintenance agreements

Seattle Rule 5-702 -- Coin operated vending machines, amusement devices and service machines

Seattle Rule 5-404 -- Sales of meals

Seattle Rule 5-405 -- Restaurants, cocktail bars, taverns and similar business-

Seattle Rule 5-481 -- Motor carriers --

Seattle Rule 5-523 -- Sales of precious metal bullion and monetized bullion

Seattle Rule 5-530 - Sale or rental of real estate, license to use real estate

Seattle Rule 5-531 - Sales of real property, standing timber, minerals, natural resources

Seattle Rule 5-532 -- Real estate brokers

Seattle Rule 5-600 -- Educational insti-tutions, school districts, student organi-zations, and private schools

Seattle Rule 5-700 - Amusement, Recreation, and Physical Fitness Services

Seattle Rule 5-720 ·· Hotels, motels, boarding houses, rooming houses, resorts, summer camps, trailer camps,

Seattle Rule 5-803 - Consignees, bailees, factors, agents, and auctioneers Seattle Rule 5-806 -- Advertising agen-

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PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT:
The Department of Executive Administration has scheduled a public hearing on the
proposed rule changes for 1:00 p.m. to 3:00
p.m. on Monday, April 4, 2005. The hearing
will be held in a conference room on the 40th
floor of the Seattle Municipal Tower, Suite
4096, located at 700 5th Avenue. All interested persons are invited to present data, views,
or arguments, with regard to the proposed
rules, orally at the hearing, or in writing at
or before the hearing.

Written comments should be mailed or

Department of Executive Administration, Attn.: Mel McDonald, Director, Revenue and Consumer Affairs, 700 5th Avenue – Suite 4250, Seattle, Washington 98104-5020.

The public may inspect copies of the proposed rules at the Revenue and Consumer Affairs offices, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 4200. If you would like a copy of the proposed rules, please call (206) 684-8300, FAX (206) 664-5170, email reabizlictx@cl.seattle.wa.us, or submit a written request to the address above.

Dated: March 21, 2005.

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Director, Department of Finance. Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, March 21, 2005. 8/21 (188390)