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TAX RATE CHANGES

Listed below are the Tax Rate **Changes** for **3rd Quarter 2009**. Only those jurisdictions which have changes are listed, along with the fuel type that has changed. The deadline for changes is September 1 at midnight. (All rates are shown in US currency unless otherwise noted.)

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	Gas	Diesel	Gasohol	Prop	LNG	CNG	Ethanol	Methanol	E85	M85	A55	Biol
СТ		.4510										.451
MA				.1680	.1680	.1680						
MB					.1150	.1150					.1150	.115
RI	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.3200	.320



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Josephing Program, Compliance Reviews

On August 17 - 18, 2009 the "**NEW BRUNSWICK**" Review will take place.

A special recognition and "THANKS" to those participating as team members:

Brenda Butler (NF)
TBD

On August 20 - 21, 2009 the "**NEWFOUNDLAND**" Review will take place.

A special recognition and "THANKS" to those participating as team members:

Celine Rathe (QC)

Charles M. Mills Award of Excellence



The LEC, is pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the Charles M. Mills Award of Excellence. Lt. Brown's memorandum, nomination Guidelines and a nomination Form can be found on the IFTA, Inc, website at www.iftach.org.

The due date for submissions is <u>August 7, 2009</u>.

This award will be presented at the Managers' and Law Enforcement Seminar in Durham, North Carolina on September 11, 2009.



California Set to Implement Bar Coded Decals

The jurisdiction of California received approval from the IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees to include a bar code on its 2010 IFTA decals. California has been exploring the use of bar codes for about three years. In the past, the drawback has been the cost of adding the bar code to the decal.

The concept behind the bar code on the decal is to allow California IFTA staff working IFTA enforcement at roadside to scan the bar code into a database to confirm a California carrier's compliance with the IFTA. The scan takes less than a second and the result of the scan comes back to the staff in less than two seconds. California IFTA staff will be able to determine if the California carrier has filed all returns and paid all amounts due under the IFTA. This will allow California IFTA staff to determine if the decals are on trucks operated by the carrier to whom the decals are issued.

"The goal of the bar coded decal is to verify compliance with the IFTA with no roadside delay to the carriers that are in compliance" said Ed King, California's IFTA Commissioner. "We anticipate carriers in good standing will not even realize a check has been made of their IFTA credentials."

California will make a presentation at the 2010 IFTA Annual Business Meeting on the use of the bar coded decals from January 2010 through mid-June 2010. Mark your calendar now to attend the 2010 Annual Business Meeting in Canada!



International Fuel Tax Association, Inc. Website updates.....by Tom King

New Message Board Counter Phase One:

The first phase of a new software update for the Message Boards has recently been launched. When you login to the IFTA, Inc. website you'll notice a sentence next to the Message Board link that might say (3 unread posts).

So what does that mean? It means there are three new posts to read on the Message Board. After you have read all the new posts the counter will go to (0 unread posts). When new content is added from this day forward, the counter will reflect how many new posts were added since your last visit. This counter appears on the main login page so you'll instantly know if new content was added without having to look through the Message Board.

The new Message Board counter adds up the unread posts for all Message Boards separately, so if you login to the APC, PCRC, BOT or IFTA Inc. Message Boards, etc...., the counter will display the number of unread messages for each respective Message Board individually.

Coming Soon Phase Two:

The next software update will highlight which topics contain the unread posts so its easier to navigate. Right now it only counts up the unread threads but you'll have to find them on your own. The next upgrade will make it easy to find the latest content.

Clearinghouse Update

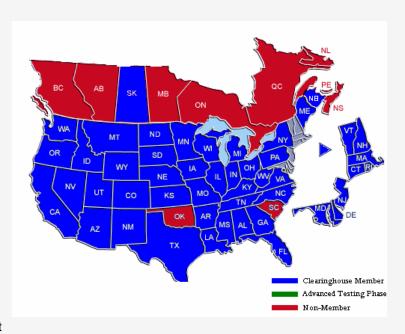
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Funds Netting Testing Phase

As of today all IFTA Commissioners have been given the new IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse packet. This included a new Access Agreement, Funds Netting Rules, and the Funds Netting Calendar.

Also sent to the jurisdictions were documents stating any data errors that were found on the Clearinghouse. This included small things like proper formatting to when Summary Totals don't match Detail Totals. This was the first exhaustive review of the Clearinghouse Transmittal data. The majority of the Jurisdictions were found to be error free. Only a few were found to have significant errors. Each jurisdiction that was found to have errors were sent a detailed report listing the errors and some examples. The report also requires that the jurisdiction sign the report, once their errors have been corrected, and return the report to IFTA, Inc. By the end of the year we feel we will have a pretty clean and strong database for funds netting.

For non-participating jurisdictions you now have the ability to sign the non-participating agreement and get full read only access rights to the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse. So I will be speaking to some of you shortly to get you set up.





2009

MSATA Annual Meeting— Cancelled
August 16—18, 2009
See www.taxadmin.org for webinar details

AAMVA Annual Int'l Conference August 23-26, 2009 San Diego, California

> WSATA Annual Meeting September 8—11, 2009 Oahu, Hawaii

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar September 9-11, 2009 Durham, North Carolina

> IRP Annual Meeting September 11-14, 2009 Tucson, Arizona

NESTOA Annual Meeting September 13—16, 2009 Atlantic City, New Jersey

IRP, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
September 14, 2009
Tucson, Arizona

FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section Annual Meeting September 20-23, 2009 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 22-23, 2009 Chandler, Arizona



2010

IRP, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
January 14-15, 2010
San Diego, California

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting January 28-29, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

IFTA Attorneys' Section Meeting February 1-2, 2010 San Antonio, Texas

IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop February 2-4, 2010 San Antonio. Texas

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting April 22-23, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

IRP Annual Meeting May 12-15, 2010 St. Louis, Missouri

FTA Annual Meeting June 6-9, 2010 Atlanta, Georgia

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar September 22-24, 2010 Mesa, Arizona

> IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting October 21-22, 2010 Chandler, Arizona

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