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Administrative/Voluntary Compliance/Disclosure: Pennsylvania: Voluntary Compliance Program for Retailers with In-State Inventory Extended Again

Alert: Voluntary Compliance Program For Retailers With Inventory in Pennsylvania, Penn. Dept. of Rev. (6/21). The Pennsylvania Department of Revenue once again is extending [see State Tax Matters, Issue 2021-6, for details on the Department's original announcement of this new program, as well as State Tax Matters, Issue 2021-20, for some updated details on the program] its voluntary compliance program for certain retailers with in-state inventory, now omitting reference to its previously posted "June 8, 2021" program expiration date. The program generally is open to any business that has inventory or stores property in Pennsylvania but is not registered to collect and pay applicable Pennsylvania taxes, and it offers "a limited lookback period and penalty relief when the business becomes compliant." Qualifying participants of the program "will not be liable for taxes owed prior to January 1, 2019," and generally may be given "penalty relief for any non-compliance for past due tax returns that were not filed and taxes that were not paid."

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The Department is asking interested businesses to complete its "Physical Presence Business Activity Questionnaire" (BAQ) to participate; after such completion, the Department explains that it will review the BAQ materials and contact the respective businesses on "how to become compliant." Once a business is registered, has filed any tax returns that were due, and remitted payment of taxes, the Department states that "all penalties from non-compliance will be abated" – conditional upon the business continuing to maintain tax compliance with the Department. Please contact us with any questions.

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