

Item F1

Masihara, Wayne

From: Gilman, Todd
Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 11:30 AM
To: Masihara, Wayne
Subject: Fw: Taxpayers' Rights Hearing

Would you please print this email for me please. I do not need 9 copies.

Thank you,

Todd

From: Abe Golomb <abe@salestaxhelp.com>
To: Gilman, Todd
Sent: Tue Jun 15 11:23:42 2010
Subject: Taxpayers' Rights Hearing

Todd:

The exhibits I provided you were from 2008, however, taxpayers are still being treated the same way by the Board collection staff. The difference now is that the collection staff is not as blatant in their actions as they were in the past.

For example, I have been retained by taxpayers with significant outstanding liabilities due the Board who have offered payment plans lasting only from two to four months which is totally unreasonable. These taxpayers have no choice but to contact the District Administrators, the Board Members' staff or your staff to convince the collection staff to be reasonable in their payment requests. The Board should develop guidelines requiring the Board collection staff to work with taxpayers in good faith and treat taxpayers in a professional manner.

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SALES TAX REDUCTION SPECIALISTS

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 15, 2008
To: Todd Gilman, B of E, Taxpayers' Rights Advocate
From: Abe Golomb, Sales Tax Reduction Specialists
Subject: Gerald Joseph Neglio dba All Labor Tire Service, SR AC 099-989949

This memorandum is a follow-up to our brief telephone conversation of today regarding the above taxpayer's collection issue.

As I explained in our telephone conversation, the above taxpayer filed their fourth quarter 2007 and their first quarter 2008 sales tax returns without paying the sales tax due on the returns. The above taxpayer recognized that negotiating with the Van Nuys district compliance staff was beyond his ability, as such, the above taxpayer retained my services to assist him in negotiating a payment plan with the Van Nuys District compliance staff.

For your information, late yesterday afternoon, I contacted Kim Rios of the Van Nuys district compliance staff to start negotiating a payment plan for this taxpayer's unpaid self-declared sales tax liability. During our brief conversation, Ms. Rios clearly informed me that it is the Van Nuys district's policy not to accept or negotiate any payment plan with any taxpayer located within the Van Nuys District. She indicated that she had no choice, but to follow this district policy. Accordingly, the only option this taxpayer has is to try to obtain a loan and use the loan proceeds to payoff their outstanding unpaid liability.

Here, we one Board district creating their own collection policy which treats taxpayers located within the Van Nuys district owing money to the Board much worse than other Board district treat their taxpayers who owe money to the Board. Also, this Van Nuys district collection policy is in violation of the collection guidelines listed in the CPPM. It has been the Board's long-standing policy that all taxpayers should be treated the same by all members of the Board staff. However, the Van Nuys district compliance staff has knowingly chosen to ignore the Board's equal treatment policy, so they can create their own collection policy which punishes taxpayers located within the Van Nuys district owing money to the Board.

Please intercede with the Van Nuys district compliance staff to have them cancel the above-described collection policy. Any questions, please contact me.