City of Trinidad

Starting on January 1, 2009, the tax rate in the City of Trinidad, located in Humboldt County, will decrease from 8.25% to 7.25%. This decrease is the result of the expiration of the 1% City of Trinidad General Revenue Transactions and Use Tax (TDGF), which ends at midnight on December 31, 2008. If you collect TDGF sales tax or use tax after December 31, 2008, you must return the amount of tax to your customers or remit it to the state.

What if I have a Trinidad contract that specifies a higher tax rate?

For sales made (property delivered) in Trinidad on or before December 31, 2008, or for lease payments received on or before that date, the higher tax rate of 8.25% will generally apply. However, if your sale occurs or lease payments are received on or after January 1, 2009, the 7.25% tax rate will apply.

Do I have to continue collecting the higher tax rate if I have a fixed price contract that I entered into prior to January 1, 2009?

The fixed-price contract exemption is designed to protect the business expectations of the parties when they entered into the contract and protect them from an unplanned increase in the tax rate. If the tax rate should go down after the terms of your contract have been established, any sales made after the date of the tax decrease would be taxed at the new, lower rate.

Rate charts available

For your convenience, tax rate charts are available for sales transactions up to $100 (BOE-180, Sales Tax Reimbursement Schedules). If you would like to order a copy of any of these tax rate charts, please visit our website at www.boe.ca.gov or call our Taxpayer Information Section.

Taxpayer Information Section

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call our toll-free number to speak with a Customer Service Representative. Representatives are available weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific time), except state holidays. Please call:

800-400-7115  TDD/TTY: 800-735-2929

In addition to English, assistance is available in other languages.