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## **City of Trinidad Sales Tax Rate Decreases Effective January 1, 2009**

*Decrease from 8.25 percent down to 7.25 percent*

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE) announced today that effective January 1, 2009 the tax rate in the City of Trinidad in Humboldt County, will decrease from 8.25 to 7.25 percent.

The decrease is a result of the expiration of the Trinidad General Revenue Transactions and Use Tax (TDGF) at midnight on December 31, 2008. Retailers who collect TDGF sales or use tax after December 31 must return the amount of tax to their customers or pay it to the state.

Retailers should take note of the new lower tax rate if they:

- Operate within the City of Trinidad and have merchandise sold and delivered within the area.
- Operate outside of the City of Trinidad but are engaged in business within the area and sell merchandise for use in the area.
- Are engaged in business in the City of Trinidad. Retailers are considered to be engaged in business in the area if they:
  - Have a business location in the tax area.
  - Deliver into the tax area using their vehicles.
  - Have an agent or representative in the area to make sales, deliveries, install, or take orders.
  - Derive rentals from a lease of property situated in the City of Trinidad.
  - Sell autos, boats, or aircraft to customers that register them within the City of Trinidad.

For more information, call the BOE Information Call Center's toll-free number at 800-400-7115. For a complete list of tax rates for all cities and counties, visit: <http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/pam71.htm>.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$53 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

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