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Re: Property Tax Distribution – Year-end Reports
Property Tax Bankruptcy Account Year-end Reporting

Dear Multnomah County Taxing District:

Enclosed are the 2008-09 year-end reports from our tax distribution system. There are two reports for each district code – Property Tax Receivable Summary and Property Tax Distribution Summary. These two reports are explained on the back of this letter.

Annual Districts Receivable and Distribution Reports may also be viewed at www.multcotax.org link for Property Tax Distribution Information.

We would like to provide future information electronically. Please provide a **current e-mail address** to receive communications by e-mail to tax.accounting@co.multnomah.or.us.

Multnomah County continued to maintain a Property Tax Bankruptcy Account again this year. ORS 311.480 authorizes counties to establish a Property Tax Bankruptcy Account. The purpose of this account is to reimburse counties from unsegregated tax collections for costs incurred by the tax collector to pursue collection of taxes and penalties in bankruptcy. The County deducted \$2,116 from tax distributions in order to maintain the bankruptcy account at a level sufficient to cover billed attorneys fees incurred from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 and anticipated unbilled attorney fees. The total amount of taxes and penalties collected through an order of a bankruptcy court for the period 7/1/08 through 6/30/09 was \$1,045,261. The information below represents Bankruptcy Account activity for the entire County:

<i>Property Tax Bankruptcy Account balance @ 6/30/08</i>	\$ 15,000
<i>Portion of 2008-09 bankruptcy collections deducted from Unsegregated Property Tax Fund and deposited to the County Property Tax Bankruptcy Account</i>	2,116
<i>Interest earnings on Bankruptcy Account</i>	258
<i>Reimbursements to County from Property Tax Bankruptcy Account for attorney fees incurred for the period 7/01/08-6/30/09</i>	<u><12,374></u>
<i>Property Tax Bankruptcy Account balance as of 6/30/09 being retained for anticipated unbilled attorney fees</i>	5,000

Also enclosed is the list of bankruptcy proceedings for which the County was reimbursed that ORS 311.480 requires to be submitted no later than September 1st of each year.

If you have any questions please contact our Tax Accounting office at tax.accounting@co.multnomah.or.us or at 503-988-3374.

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PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE SUMMARY REPORT

This report summarizes the transactions affecting the receivable balance for each district for the fiscal year 2008-09. The report reconciles the beginning balance at the start of the year to the ending balance at 6/30/09 for each tax year. The types of transactions appearing on the report are described below.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
Imposed Tax Levy	Certified Imposed Tax Levy for 2008-09 tax year
Taxes Paid	Payments of taxes received less taxes refunded (note: if this amount is negative refunds exceed payments)
Discounts	Discounts granted for early payment (note: if this amount is positive it represents reversals of discounts granted)
Tax Roll Increases	Additions for assessments of omitted property or tax increases from appeals
Tax Roll Decreases	Deductions for tax decreases from appeals and tax write-offs for foreclosures, uncollectible accounts and small balances

PROPERTY TAX DISTRIBUTION SUMMARY REPORT

This report summarizes the property tax distributions during the 2008-09 fiscal year for each district. Additional components of the distributions are itemized that were not reported with the individual disbursements during the year (see descriptions below). The total of the report for each district should equal the total payments previously disbursed during the fiscal year.

There is a timing difference. The bank interest reported does not include the interest earned for June 2009. That interest will be itemized on the distribution of 8/12/09 and included on next year's report. The bank interest earned for June 2008 is included on the report. That interest was disbursed on 8/12/08.

<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
Taxes Paid	Payments of taxes received less taxes refunded (note: if this amount is negative refunds were greater than payments.)
Interest	Delinquent interest received less interest paid on refunds
Adjustments	Adjusting entries to charge refunds for prior tax years against funds received for the current year (2008-09). Also includes adjustments to disburse small credit balances (ORS 311.806(5)) and small rounding adjustments.
Bankruptcy Collection Reimbursement	Deductions from disbursements to fund the County Property Tax Bankruptcy Account (ORS 311.480)
Bank Interest	Interest earned on funds held in the Unsegregated Property Tax Fund.
Tax Title Fund	Disbursement of net funds available from sales of tax foreclosed properties
Urban Renewal	Distribution of City of Portland Wacker Urban Renewal Bond payments (only applicable to Multnomah County, City of Portland, METRO, Port of Portland, Portland School District #1, Multnomah ESD and PCC)