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State closes the Five Star Auto Sales for not paying state sale tax

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TOPEKA – Tuesday, Kansas Department of Revenue civil tax enforcement and Coffeyville police officers seized the business assets of JF Aitken Enterprise Inc, doing business as Five Star Auto Sales which owed \$49,280 in state sales tax.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owners Jeffery and Stacy Aitken. The car lot at 801 W. 11th, Coffeyville was sealed closed the assets will be sold at public auction to pay the taxes owed.

Warrant execution occurs when all other collection attempts, including multiple letters, telephone calls, letters of impending legal action, tax liens filed with the local district court to secure the debt, previous bank levies and on-site till taps are executed to bring the taxpayer into compliance have been exhausted.

Only after several unsuccessful attempts does the department take the action of seizing assets, which in this instance resulted in the business being closed.

The revenue department's standard practice is to continually encourage delinquent taxpayers, who are not lawfully filing or paying taxes - such as sales or withholding - to voluntarily enter into a repayment agreement.

Tax Warrants:

Sales Tax – 15ST40I – Montgomery County – December 2014 – \$17,376.71

Sales Tax – 15ST39I – Montgomery County – January through February 2015 – \$31,903.20

Total taxes owed: \$49,279.91