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UPDATE: Flowers by Irene re-opens after reaching a payment arrangement with the Revenue Department

July 26, 2012

The taxpayer and the Revenue Department were able to reach an acceptable payment arrangement Friday. The business assets have been released and the business re-opened.

The original release is below.

State closes Flowers by Irene for not paying state sales taxes

July 24, 2013

TOPEKA – Wednesday, Kansas Department of Revenue civil tax enforcement agents and Ford County Sheriff's officers seized the business assets of Flowers by Irene, which owed \$10,036 in state sales tax.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Lisa K. Jackson. The flower shop, at 500 N. 2nd Ave., Dodge City, was sealed closed the assets will be sold at public auction to pay the taxes owed.

Seized assets have been turned over the businesses bank which possesses prevailing lien rights.

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 – 11ST36 – Ford County – April through June 2009, October through December 2009, April through June 2010, and July through September 2010 Sales Tax – 12ST13 – Ford County – January 2011 through October 2011

Tax warrant totals: \$10,035.65