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State closes McGrath Oil for not paying state sales and individual income taxes

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TOPEKA – Monday, Kansas Department of Revenue agents and Washington County Sheriff's Department officers seized the business assets of McGrath Oil, which owed \$\$106,581 in state sales and individual income taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Robert Lohmeyer. The gas station at 106 W. 4th St., Washington, was sealed closed and 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:

Income Tax – 08 ST 01 – Washington County – 1999 through 2005 – \$104,638.04

Sales Tax – 12 ST 11 – Washington County – Second and Third quarters 2011 – \$1,942.83

Tax Warrant Totals: \$106,580.87