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State closes The Transmission Station for not paying state sales taxes

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TOPEKA – Monday, Kansas Department of Revenue civil tax enforcement and Arkansas City Police officers seized the business assets of The Transmission Station which owed \$22,021 in state sales taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Stuart Thielen. The auto repair shop at 401 E. Madison Ave. Arkansas City, 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 – 12ST116W – Cowley County – Fourth Quarter 2010 through Fourth Quarter 2011 – \$4.335.74

Sales Tax – 14ST10W – Cowley County – First Quarter 2012 through Second Quarter 2013 – \$9,587.22

Sales Tax – 15ST81 – Cowley County – Fourth Quarter 2013 through Fourth Quarter 2014 – \$8,097.93

Total taxes owed: \$22,020.89