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State BOE Authorizes First Bilingual Web Site for Electronic Sales and Use Tax Filing

efileSalesTax.com Offers Fast, Easy Sales and Use Tax Filing in English and Spanish.

NEWBURY PARK, Calif. – (January 27, 2003) – Electronic Sales and Use Tax, Inc. today announced that the California State Board of Equalization (BOE) has authorized its efileSalesTax.com web site as the State's first bilingual web site for the electronic payment of sales and use taxes. Electronic Sales and Use Tax, Inc. completed acceptance testing by the BOE, becoming only the third Electronic Return Originator (ERO) to meet the State's rigorous standards and the only one to offer e-filing in Spanish.

The Board of Equalization's Electronic Filing Program Coordinator, Jeanne Smith, who oversees the State's sales tax electronic filing program, confirmed that efileSalesTax.com is the first state tax web site in California with return forms translated into Spanish. "Tax web sites for electronic filing are rapidly evolving," says Smith, "because it is a faster and easier way to file taxes. Having sales tax forms available in Spanish for e-filing simply makes it more efficient."

There are currently nearly one million businesses in California that are eligible to efile their sales and use taxes with the BOE. Electronic filing provides a threefold benefit. For businesses it's a faster, easier way to file their sales and use tax, for the State it allows more efficient paperless processing, and for the environment it reduces paper usage.

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The Spanish language version of the efileSalesTax.com web site offers easier and faster sales and use tax filing to the significant number of Latino businesses in California. The entire filing process is in Spanish, including registration, tax forms, Help files, error messages and live telephone support.

efileSalesTax.com has simplified the tax form, and with just a few entries, the system calculates all the taxes automatically. With the filing and payment done electronically, there are no signatures required, no forms or check to mail and immediate confirmation of the filing is received from the BOE. Users can efile anytime between the end of their filing period and the due date, and specify the date (up to the due date) on which their payment is deducted from their bank account. Users can also view and print past efile returns at no charge.

Use of the site requires a Seller's Permit Account Number issued by the BOE. Tax payments are made via electronic transfer from the business' bank account directly to the BOE. The efileSalesTax.com web site uses state-of-the-art encryption for security and confidentiality.

There is no membership or registration fee required to use the site, which is currently offering a "First Filing Free" promotion, and a \$4.95 charge per filing thereafter. VISA, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express are accepted for payment of the filing charge. The site offers technical assistance– in English and Spanish– and provides increased customer support during the days prior to tax deadlines.

efileSalesTax.com can be reached directly at www.efileSalesTax.com, or by clicking on the efile link provided on the BOE website at www.boe.ca.gov. To obtain more information about the California Board of Equalization's sales tax electronic filing program you can visit the BOE website or call the BOE information center at 800 400-7115.

About Electronic Sales and Use Tax, Inc.

Electronic Sales and Use Tax, Inc. was established in August 2001 and incorporated in April 2002. The Company is based in Ventura County. For more information, photos and screenshots please visit our web site at www.efileSalesTax.com, or contact Richard Paul, CEO, at (877) 584-2309 ext 1.