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Louisiana Department of Revenue Issues Ruling Related to Sales and Use Tax

The Louisiana Department of Revenue recently issued a revenue ruling stating that any type of digital media is now subject to sales and use tax. Previously, electronic media had not been included in use tax reports based on the sales and use tax laws in Louisiana. The new ruling addresses the taxability of software, media, and other electronically stored data and materials. Under this ruling, data, entertainment media, and other products, including software, that are delivered electronically via the internet and recorded on the user's computer or other storage medium is subject to tax.

As an example, many businesses currently pay for internet-based forms services and business websites. Under this ruling, such services will be subject to state and local sales and use taxes.

For more information on this change or any other tax development, contact P&N Tax Director Bill Potter at 225-922-4600.

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