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FIRST INSTALLMENT OF COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES DUE DECEMBER 10, 2010

Sacramento, Calif. — The deadline for paying the first installment of your 2010-2011 Sacramento County property taxes is coming up very soon. Payments are due no later than December 10, 2010, to pay the first installment without penalty. Late payments will incur a 10 percent penalty for each tax bill. Partial payments cannot be accepted.

If you recently purchased the property for a lesser value or you are disputing the assessed value with the Assessor's Office or the Assessment Appeals Board, the annual tax bill must still be paid by the delinquent date to avoid the addition of penalties.

Payments must be received in the Tax Collector's Office by 5:00 p.m. on December 10, 2010, or either postmarked or paid through our website by December 10, 2010. The Tax Collector also wants to remind property owners to include the appropriate installment payment stub from the tax bill or website, www.eproptax.saccounty.net, or write the parcel number of the property on the check being submitted to make sure that you receive proper credit for the payment. Payments may be mailed to P.O. Box 508, Sacramento, CA 95812-0508. Be sure to mail your payment early enough to ensure a timely postmark and avoid penalties.

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Property taxes may be paid by online e-check or credit card on the Internet at www.eproptax.saccounty.net or over the telephone at 1-888-877-3575, using the 14-digit parcel number. For a convenience fee, a contractor will process your e-check or credit card payments if you elect to pay the annual property tax bill using one of these methods. This convenience fee is not revenue to the County. To avoid penalties, the transactions made by either of these methods must be completed before midnight on the payment pay by date(s).

If you use your bank's Online Bill Pay service, a paper check will be printed and mailed to the Tax Collector. Because the check is sent without a payment stub, please enter the current year's bill number and installment being paid in the online account number field for payment identification.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the property owner of their liability to pay taxes in a timely manner or give the Tax Collector reason to cancel penalties imposed for late payment. If you have not received a tax bill, you can obtain your tax bill information and payment stubs (coupons) at the Tax Collector's website at www.eproptax.saccounty.net, over the automated telephone system or by contacting the Tax Collector's Office at (916) 874-6622.

Sacramento County also offers an online subscription service, e-SacCountyInfo. People that sign up with e-SacCountyInfo will receive e-mail notifications when the annual secured property tax bills are available each year and reminders before the first and second installment delinquent dates. This service is provided free by Sacramento County. The e-SacCountyInfo and Property Tax Payments links are located on Sacramento County's website under Online Services on the home page at www.saccounty.net.

For additional information about property taxes, the Sacramento County Tax Collector's website at www.finance.saccounty.net/tax provides answers to most common questions from taxpayers regarding property taxes, and links to tax bill information and online payments.