

North Carolina Department of Revenue

Pat McCrory Governor Jeffrey M. Epstein Secretary

July 27, 2016

Mr. Craig Johnson, Executive Director Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board, Inc. 100 Majestic Drive, Suite 400 Westby, WI 54667-2003

Re: North Carolina's 2016 SSUTA Compliance Recertification

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Pursuant to Section 803 of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement ("Agreement") and Rule 803.1, on behalf of the State of North Carolina, a Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board member state, and as Secretary of the Department of Revenue, I hereby certify to the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board that North Carolina is in substantial compliance with the terms of the Agreement as of August 1, 2016.

The Department does not believe that any changes have been made since August 1, 2015 that affect North Carolina's compliance with the terms of the Agreement. During the 2016 legislative session, the North Carolina General Assembly did repeal a few defined terms that remained in the sales and use tax laws but did not serve any purpose since the repeal of the sales tax holidays effective July 1, 2014. The repealed defined terms include: clothing, Energy Star qualified product, school instructional material, school supply, and sport or recreational equipment.

As part of this annual recertification, North Carolina updated its Online Certificate of Compliance and Taxability Matrix that reflect North Carolina's laws as enacted through July 26, 2016 and has approved them to be published on the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board website beginning August 1, 2016. Additionally, electronic copies of the Taxability Matrix and Certificate of Compliance will be posted to the North Carolina Department of Revenue's website at: www.dornc.com.

If you have any questions regarding North Carolina's compliance with the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement, please contact Eric K. Wayne, Sales and Use Tax Director. As the chief executive of the North Carolina Department of Revenue, I also declare that the Online Certificate of Compliance and Taxability Matrix are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sincerely,

Teffrey M. Epstein Secretary of Revenue

cc: Eric K. Wayne, Sales and Use Tax Director Anthony Edwards, Assistant Secretary for Tax Administration