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IMPORTANT NOTICE: AVIATION GASOLINE AND JET FUEL EXEMPTION EXPANDED

Session Law 2016-5, signed into law May 11, 2016, expands the exemption from sales and use tax provided in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-164.13(11b), for sales of aviation gasoline and jet fuel to an interstate air business for use in a commercial aircraft to include aviation gasoline and jet fuel purchased for use in a commercial aircraft to perform whose primary business is scheduled passenger air transportation. The amendment is retroactive to January 1, 2016.

The exemption in N.C. Gen. Stat. §105-164.13(11b), as originally enacted, did not provide an exemption from sales and use tax for aviation gasoline and jet fuel purchased for use in a commercial aircraft by a person whose primary business is scheduled passenger air transportation in foreign commerce. Sales of aviation gasoline or jet fuel to an "interstate air courier" or "interstate freight air carrier," both of which are defined in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-164.3, for use in a commercial aircraft for foreign commerce, continue to be subject to sales and use tax at the 7% combined general rate of tax.

For additional information regarding the tax on aviation gasoline and jet fuel, refer to the <u>Aviation Gasoline</u> and <u>Jet Fuel Overview Web Page</u> on the Department's <u>website</u>.

<u>Assistance</u>

General questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Taxpayer Assistance and Collection Center at telephone number 1-877-252-3052 (toll-free).

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