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ST. CHARLES COUNTY ASSESSOR TO MAIL 2016 PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT FORMS, ONLINE FILING AVAILABLE Forms due by March 1

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO - The St. Charles County Assessor will mail approximately 170,000 personal property assessment forms by Jan. 26. Assessments are due to the Assessor by March 1.

Individual personal property owners have the option to file their assessment online. "This site has made filing much more convenient for citizens," said Scott Shipman, St. Charles County Assessor. "Individual personal property owners can file online any time before the deadline and will receive an automatic confirmation once their assessment is received."

Individual personal property owners will be able to file their assessment online once they have received their assessment form. Printed on the form is an E-filing website and unique secure access code for individual personal property owners to access their accounts. The E-filing website link will also be featured on the Assessor's website, http://assessor.sccmo.org. Those who filed online in previous years should note that the unique secure code changes each year; the code printed on 2016 personal property assessment form should be used to access online accounts this year.

Failure to comply with the state statutory deadline for filing assessment forms will result in a late assessment penalty up to \$100.

"The tax rate for everyone in the county is impacted when citizens do not declare their personal property," said Shipman. "Completion of the form by the deadline assures a fair and equitable distribution of the tax burden."

Residents and businesses that do not receive a personal property assessment form can download blank forms from the Assessor's website or can contact the St. Charles County Personal Property Office at 636-949-7420 or 1-800-822-4012, ext. 7420.

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