

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

TO: BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	Reviewed:
FROM: Lisa Johnson	Ext: 3485
DEPARTMENT: Administration	
DATE: Wednesday, April 22, 2009	No: 9

ITEM: Consider the approval of a request for Tax Exemption for Wal-Mart Distribution Center.

Background: Wal-Mart was granted an exemption from property taxation on the expanded cross-dock facility located at their distribution center in Franklin County. Per the exemption, they must verify to the County on a yearly basis that they are in compliance with the terms of the exemption relating to the number of employees and wages for economic development. Wal-Mart has provided the County Clerk with the necessary verification for 2008 and 2009 and is requesting an extension of their exemption for the 2008 and 2009 tax periods. In addition, they have provided the necessary fee for the processing of the exemption.

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the commission extend the tax exemption to Wal-Mart for the expanded cross-dock facility at their distribution center.

Attachments: Letters from Wal-Mart and Resolution



Tax Department

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April 2, 2009

Ms. Shari Perry
Franklin County Clerk
315 South Main
Ottawa, KS 66067
Phone: (785) 229-3410

RE: Request for exemption on DC expanded cross-dock facility in Ottawa, KS for 2008

Dear Shari:

Please accept this letter as our request for continued exemption from property taxation on the expanded cross-dock facility related to our distribution center in Ottawa, KS per Kansas State Board of Taxation Appeals Order, docket no. 2001-6726-EDX, 2002-2600-EDX, 2003-2949-EDX, 2004-3114-EDX, and 2005-2660-EDX.

Wal-Mart Stores East, LP is the present owner of the property. The business was in operation for the full year of 2008.

As of our fiscal year end, January 31, 2009, the number of hourly associates employed at this facility was 54, with an overall average hourly wage of \$18.40/hour. The number of salaried associates employed at this DC, for the same time period, was 3 with an average annual salary of \$69,986. The total gross payroll for this facility for FYE 2009 was \$1,831,555.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$300 to cover the FYE 2009 annual filing fee.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information

Sincerely,

Jacquelyn Sturch
Manager - Tax Credits and Incentives
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Journal Report

Financial Alignment (P&L Month End) -- Consolidated Stores -- Division(s): ALL -- Store(s): 6935
 Post Date from 01/01/2008 to 12/31/2008

Account Numbers -- 0232,0230,0238,0254,0268,0280,0282,0284,0288

P.O. Numbers -- All

Vendor Numbers -- All

Batch Numbers -- All and Invoice Numbers -- All

Division	Store Number	Store Name	Post Date	Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Invoice Amount	P O Number	Account Name	Tax Rpt Code
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	08/23/2008	MHC SYSTEMS	0	08/23/2008	\$12,950	4558394	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	06/04/2008	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	10956018	05/13/2008	\$1,021	4136082	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	06/04/2008	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	10972450	05/16/2008	\$0	4136082	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	06/04/2008	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	10972450	05/16/2008	\$756	4136082	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	12/19/2008	FIXED ASSET RETIREME	0	12/19/2008	(\$8)	0	WAREHOUSE RACKING	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	03/19/2008	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	7535332	03/31/2008	\$8	607693501	WAREHOUSE RACKING	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	12/29/2008	MHC SYSTEMS	0	12/29/2008	\$7,672	4754128	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	11/11/2008	NILFSK-ADVANCE INC	10019589	10/14/2008	\$35,431	4749398	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	11/12/2008	NILFSK-ADVANCE INC	10019589	10/14/2008	\$2,616	4749398	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	11/13/2008	NILFSK-ADVANCE INC	10019589	10/14/2008	\$149	4749398	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	11/17/2008	NILFSK-ADVANCE INC	10023476	10/22/2008	\$419	4749398	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	11/18/2008	NILFSK-ADVANCE INC	10023476	10/22/2008	\$2	4749398	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	05/30/2008	EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	0	05/30/2008	\$22,500	4136082	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
7	6935	CENTERPOINT-OTTAWA	10/30/2008	MHC SYSTEMS	43861	09/30/2008	\$1,023	4558394	FIXTURES & EQUIP-STORES	139
							\$94,540			

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF
FRANKLIN COUNTY, KANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. 09-_____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
FRANKLIN COUNTY; KANSAS

THAT Pursuant to Franklin County Resolution 04-115 and K.S.A. 79-210, the Board, after examining evidence presented by the Franklin County Clerk, hereby finds that Wal-Mart Stores East, Inc., for a cross-dock at its Distribution Center located in rural Franklin County, Kansas, continues to meet the projections set forth in the original schedule accompanying the taxpayer's request for an exemption from ad Valorem taxes, pursuant to the provisions of Article 11, Section 13, of the Kansas State Constitution, and approved by the Board of County Commissioners by County Resolution 01-056.

FUTHER, the Board recommends that Wal-Mart Stores East, Inc continue to receive an exemption from ad Valorem taxes at its Franklin County Distribution Center for tax year 2009.

This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

Passed and adopted in regular session, at its chambers in Ottawa, Franklin County, Kansas, this 22nd day of April, 2009.

John E Taylor, Chair

Attested and Recorded, this 22nd day of April, 2009.

Shari Perry, County Clerk