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June 30 is the Last Chance to Start an Installment Plan for Property Taxes Delinquent for Five or more Years

Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector Shari L. Freidenrich, CPA, has published in the newspaper and online at ocgov.com/defaultedproperties, the listing of all properties by city that have delinquent taxes outstanding for five or more years. All property that has been tax defaulted for five or more years may be subject to tax auction by the Treasurer-Tax Collector unless they are currently on a Five-Year Installment Plan. The last day for an owner of real property to start a Five-Year Installment Plan for these properties is June 30, 2015. The property owner must qualify to enter into an Installment Plan by meeting certain criteria.

If these tax-defaulted properties over five years do not have an installment plan started and in good standing by June 30, the only way to avoid the tax auction is to pay 100% of the taxes, penalties, and fees levied on the property prior to the date of the next tax auction. No partial payments or installment payments will be accepted prior to the auction date.

If you have moved or your business relocated and you haven't received a property tax bill recently and you did not file a change of address with the Office of the Assessor and have not gone online to pay your property tax bill, your taxes may be delinquent! You can download a change of address form at ocgov.com/octaxbill, just click on "How To" and then on "Request a Change of Address." Also, an easy way to check to see if your property taxes are outstanding is to go online to ocgov.com/octaxbill and input either the property address or the parcel # (APN), click find, and then click on the APN link that will then identify if there are any outstanding property taxes. In the future, taxpayers should consider checking the website before the tax installment deadlines to make sure that their payments have been processed. Another easy way to remember to make the secured tax installment payments is to sign up for our email reminder service that sends an email to subscribers when property tax bills are mailed, and also a reminder email is sent ten days prior to the payment deadline and one day prior to the payment deadline.

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