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STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN, 78774

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Ms. Pat Schuhknecht
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Houston, Texas 77036

Dear Ms. Rogers:

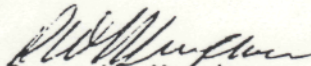
Thank you for calling regarding limited sales tax on meals sold to civic organizations.

Meals sold to Chambers of Commerce and Kiwanis, Lions, Optimists, Rotary Clubs, etc. are taxable.

Purchases by exempt organizations are exempt from limited sales tax only when the items purchased are related to the exempt function of the organization and when paid for with organization funds. Furthermore, when the organization pays for the meals with money collected from its members, the meals are not being paid for from the organization's own funds.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. You may write me or call toll-free 1-800-252-5555.

Sincerely,


Roger W. Murphree
Sales Tax Division

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