

LOUISIANA SALES AND USE TAX COMMISSION FOR REMOTE SELLERS

Minutes of August 14, 2020 Meeting

- I. **Call to Order/Roll Call** - The meeting of the Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote Sellers was called to order at 11:02 AM by Chairman Allen. A quorum was established with five of the eight members in attendance. Members present were:
 1. Darlene Allen (LDR)
 2. Jeffery LaGrange (ULSTB)
 3. Kressynda Krennerich (ULSTB)
 4. Vanessa LaFleur (LDR)
 5. Kelli Jumper (LDR)

- II. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 9, 2020**
 - After review of the minutes, a motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the meeting of July 9, 2020 by Mr. LaGrange and seconded by Ms. Krennerich. The minutes were unanimously approved without corrections.

- III. **Update on Direct Marketer/Remote Seller Registrations by LDR**
 - As of the date of the meeting, Ms. Jumper stated that there are 2,757 active direct marketer registrations that have been approved to file as direct marketers. These numbers will likely decline as new registrations for remote sellers are received and those numbers increase.
 - As of August 13, 2020 there have been 432 new remote seller registrations processed in addition to the 732 accounts, whose information was converted into the Commission's system.

- IV. **Update from Personnel Committee**
 - Ms. LaFleur gave an update on the status of the hiring of the Executive Director. Ms. Renee Roberie was offered the position and has accepted. She is currently completing the onboarding process. Ms. LaFleur also introduced the other recently hired Commission employees, Tax Specialists Kerya Drummond and Jewel Hatfield, for the record.

- V. **Discussion Items:**
 - A. **Remote Sellers Commission Website and Filing Portal Update**
 - Chairman Allen announced that the website and filing portal for the Commission were successfully launched on July 1, 2020.

- Ms. Krennerich also added that the website has many features such as a subscription service for updates as well as other helpful information for remote sellers.

B. Remote Sellers Commission Return Update

- Chairman Allen stated that the return was available on August 3, 2020. The Commission has received about 72 returns thus far for the month of July. Changes are still being completed on the return to include recently passes legislation but it is functioning well. Amended returns are also in the process.

C. Guidance For Marketplace Facilitators

- Chairman Allen gave a brief update and asked that any questions or concerns be sent via email to the Commission's email box.

VI. Executive Session

A. Personnel Matters

- No executive session was needed.

VII. Other Business

- Ms. Krennerich spoke about the House Resolution 31 meeting that took place at the Capitol earlier in the week. While there is no member from the Commission on the study group, there will likely be questions as to the Commission. Luke Morris has been designated by Secretary Robinson for the Department of Revenue and will likely represent the Commission should any questions arise.

VIII. Public Comment

- There was no further public comment.

IX. Adjournment

- With a motion by Ms. Jumper and second by Ms. LaFleur, Chairman Allen declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:15 AM.