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Severance Tax

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On March 11, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards declared a statewide public health emergency as a result of the imminent threat posed to Louisiana citizens by the outbreak of a respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus known commonly as COVID-19. On March 22, 2020, additional measures, including a general stay-at-home order to the public, were enacted. On April 2, 2020, Governor Edwards issued Proclamation JBE 2020-41 to renew and extend earlier COVID-19 proclamations. The Department of Revenue (“Department”) continues to actively monitor this ongoing situation in concert with the Governor’s Office.

The purpose of this guidance is to provide filing and payment extension relief for monthly severance tax returns, payments, and reports due on April 25, 2020.

Severance Tax Returns, Payments, and Reports Extensions

The February 2020 monthly oil and gas severance tax return, payment, and report is due on April 25, 2020. The filing and payment deadline for this monthly severance tax period is extended to June 25, 2020. This is an automatic extension and no extension request is necessary. No penalties or interest will be assessed provided that the applicable monthly return, payment, and report for this severance tax period is submitted to the Department by the June 25, 2020, extension date.

This extension does not apply to severance tax returns, payments, or reports due on any other dates.

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