

Excise Tax Alert Re: Alcoholic Beverage Tax: Attention Beer Suppliers

**EXC 2012-02 - Alcoholic Beverage Reporting for Beer Suppliers to Ohio:**

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The purpose of this information release is to provide guidance to taxpayers following a recent mailing of the Beverage Marketers Corporation (“BMC”), an unrelated third party. It has come to the Department of Taxation’s (“Department”) attention that a representative of BMC is requesting Ohio’s beer permit holders to report “beer shipments for the State of Ohio” to BMC monthly and to use their enclosed form that has “State of Ohio” at the top. Unfortunately, the wording of this letter suggests that BMC is making this request on behalf of the State of Ohio and that a permit holder is required to report to BMC using their enclosed form.

Please be aware that BMC **is not** acting on behalf of either the State of Ohio or the Department. A taxpayer is not required to comply with BMC’s request, but may provide the requested information to them voluntarily.

The Department’s forms and reporting requirements remain unchanged.

Any questions regarding this information release may be directed to:

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