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**TITLE 50 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT
FINANCE**

NOTE: Under IC 6-1.1-31-1, the name of the State Board of Tax Commissioners is changed to Department of Local Government Finance, effective January 1, 2002.

March 27, 2002

The Honorable Jerry Denbo, Chair
Administrative Rules Oversight Committee

Re: Notice of Delay in Adoption of Rule Governing the certification and revocation of certification requirements of level one and level two assessor-appraisers / LSA Document #01-266

Dear Representative Denbo:

Notice of Delay

This is to notify you, under IC 4-22-2-25, that the Department of Local Government Finance has determined that it may not be able to adopt and obtain the Governor's approval of its proposed rule governing the certification of assessor-appraisers under IC 6-1.1-35.5, as set out in 50 IAC 15 (LSA Document #01-266), within one (1) year of the date of notice of intent to adopt the rule as published under IC 4-22-2-23. The DLGF issued its notice of intent to adopt this rule in the August 1, 2001, Indiana Register.

Reasons for Delay

The proposed rule will govern both the certification of tax representatives and revocation of a tax representative certification. Public Law 198-2001 (HEA 1499), effective January 1, 2002, establishes criteria that must be used in both the certification and the revocation process. A public hearing was held November 29, 2001, in order to determine public comments regarding proposed provisions. The Department of Local Government Finance, a successor entity to the State Board of Tax Commissioners, is required to have a rules panel assist in the process of adopting rules. That panel has been named, but the meeting for final adoption has not yet been scheduled.

Expected Adoption Date

The Department of Local Government Finance expects to adopt rules in the near future. It is anticipated that we will be able to adopt the rule and obtain the Governor's approval before the end of 2002. Because the stated "expected date" will control the validity of the rule, we present this notice and state that we expect to obtain the Governor's approval of the rules governing the certification and revocation of assessor-appraisers (LSA Doc. #01-266), by January 1, 2003.

Your understanding of these circumstances is greatly appreciated. If you need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me at 232-4361. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Beth Henkel
General Counsel

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George Angelone, Attorney for the Committee