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TAX MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES BEGINS AUDIT OF LEGAL RESIDENCE CLAIMS IN CLARENDON COUNTY

Under the terms of their contract with Clarendon County, Tax Management Associates of Charlotte, NC will be mailing questionnaires to selected county residents to verify their eligibility for the special 4% level of assessment and school millage exemptions provided for in SC Statute 12-43-220.

The 4% Legal Residence classification represents one of the State's largest property tax breaks, and is therefore subject to attempted fraud. The purpose of Tax Management Associates' audit is to assure County Council and Administration that ineligible properties are not receiving the special assessment classification.

If they receive a questionnaire, taxpayers are urged to fill it out and return it as soon as possible. Doing so will significantly shorten the time required to complete the audit. Any questions regarding the questionnaire should be directed to Tax Management Associates' toll-free number 1-888-640-5506.