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# Tax Alert: Sales and Use tax exemption period for prepared food

September 8, 2017

Due to the passage of Hurricane Irma, the Puerto Rico Treasury Department issued Administrative Determination 17-09 allowing the acquisition of prepared food by any natural person located in Puerto Rico to be exempt from the payment of Sales and Use tax. This exemption will be valid only from September 8, 2017 until September 10, 2017. It is important to mention that alcoholic beverages are not covered by this exemption.

In addition, we are including the emergency telephone numbers of the Department of Economic Development and Commerce (DDEC) and the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company (PRIDCO) for the benefit of those entities affected by Hurricane Irma.

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The image is a graphic titled "GUÍA TELÉFONICA PARA EMERGENCIAS: PRIDCO y DDEC". It features logos for DDEC, PRIDCO, and the Government of Puerto Rico. It lists emergency contacts for three zones: Zona Metro/Este (Ing. Jorge Morales), Zona Norte/Oeste (Ing. Julio Cordero), and Zona Sur/Oeste (Ing. Rafael De Jesús). It also provides a customer service number and an email address for emergencies.

**GUÍA TELÉFONICA**  
PARA EMERGENCIAS: PRIDCO y DDEC

**Ing. Jorge Morales**  
Director de Administración de Propiedades 787 622-6064/787 640-0997

**Zona Metro/Este - José Hernández - 787. 374.8301**

**Zona Norte/Oeste - Ing. Julio Cordero - 787. 242.6024**

**Zona Sur/Oeste - Ing. Rafael De Jesús - 787. 507.4375**

**Servicio al Cliente 787.758.4747 Ext. 3499**

**emergencia@ddec.pr.gov**

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Link to Administrative Determination 17-09

<http://www.hacienda.pr.gov/publicaciones/determinacion-administrativa-17-09>

Please contact our Tax Department should additional information is required regarding this or any other tax issue. We will be glad to assist you.



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