## **Common Errors on TPT Returns**

## Front of Form - Page 1

- Ensure that your name is accurate and if you are using a blank rather than a preprinted form be sure that you fill in your complete **Name & Address, Month the return covers** (only one month at a time), and your **GRIC Business License Number**.
- ❖ Be sure that you fill in the Gross, Deductions, Taxable and Tax amounts even if some of them are zeros. **Do NOT ROUND TO WHOLE DOLLARS**.
- Complete the Grand Total, Total Liability and Net Amount Due lines, at the bottom of the return.
  Please note that the formula is built into the return: Gross Deductions = Net Taxable. <u>Do not</u>
  <u>make the deductions amount negative</u> this has the effect of adding the deductions to the Gross making the Net Taxable larger than the original Gross amount.

## **Back of Form - Page 2**

- ❖ If you took Deductions on Page 1 you must enter them individually on the appropriate lines on the back. Failure to complete or include Page 2 when the return is submitted will delay the processing of your return and you may incur Penalties for *Failure to File* (13.608.A) because a complete return was not filed timely.
- ❖ All other deductions must be taken before you calculate the ARS deduction of 75%.
- ❖ Be sure you list the 75% on the correct line there is one for Contractors and one for everyone else.

## **Special Instruction for Contractors:**

- ❖ Tax Collected or Factored is **NOT** an allowable deduction.
- The correct order for deductions is:

*Non-Taxable items* – subcontracting, allowed Machinery & Equipment or Transmission lines, Residential contracts per 13.311.B.2.

Standard 35% Deduction

75% ARS Deduction – This deduction is ONLY available when the contract takes place at Blackwater, Lone Butte & San Tan Industrial Parks, Memorial Airfield, property under control of the Wildhorse Pass Development Authority, Sun Valley Marina Corporation <u>AND</u> where the contract is between the contractor and a tenant.

It is possible that you may have a contract that is located in an area which is subject to both GRIC and the State and you are NOT entitled to the 75% deduction. If you are unsure of where your project is located please contact Tribal Projects, Land Use Planning or T.E.R.O Offices for clarification.

GRIC **does not** recognize the State's MRRA projects – we adhere to the original definition of contracting.

<u>Special Instructions for Taxpayers who have a tax liability to both GRIC and the Arizona Department of Revenue</u>

- ❖ If you have to remit taxes for both GRIC and ADOR there are two types of transactions that you need to be able to report:
  - a) Sales to Enrolled GRIC members (these are deductable for ADOR)
  - b) Sales to non-Enrolled members (general public)
- ❖ Sales to enrolled members are taxable only by GRIC at a rate of 6%. Premium Outlet vendors report Enrolled Member sales on the Retail (Enrolled Member) line of the TPT return. (This form can be found at www.gilariver.org, Tribal Departments, Revenue Internal/Audit.)
- ❖ Sales to the general public are reported on the Retail (Non-Enrolled Member) line. A deduction of 75% (General deduction on page 2) is allowed with the remaining 25% taxed at 6%. This gives a net calculation with the effective GRIC rate of 1.5%.

Special Instructions for Taxpayers who have transactions with GRIC and it's agencies.

- ❖ Sales of goods and services to Gila River Indian Community, its Casinos, Hotels, agencies and other wholly owned businesses of the Community are not taxable by either the State or Gila River. Even though you do not pay taxes, you do have to report the income, deducting it on the back of the return.
- ❖ If you have any questions about any of this or anything not covered above please call or email:

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