#### **ATTENTION**

### BELOW IS INSTRUCTION ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH A DELAWARE DIVISION OF REVENUE COURT ORDERED BANK GARNISHMENT.

- If the individual named in the garnishment does not maintain an account with your bank or does not have funds available; please make note of this fact on the garnishment. Return the entire package to the State of Delaware, Division of Revenue. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed.
- If the individual does have an existing account and funds are available, please be aware that the garnished individual has been provided with an application to make objection to the garnishment. Said application provides that the individual be allotted twenty (20) days to make his objection known to the State of Delaware, Division of Revenue. No action should be taken on your part during this time however all funds up to requested amount should be frozen until you receive notice to do otherwise by a Division of Revenue representative.
- Your bank will be notified in writing at the end of the 20-day period whether to proceed with the withdrawal of funds.
- In the event that the information provided does not answer all your questions, further assistance is available by contacting Adonica McCollister at (302) 577-8581 or Susan Faulls at (302) 577-8583.

### BELOW IS INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH A DELAWARE DIVISION OF REVENUE COURT ORDERED WAGE GARNISHMENT.

- If the individual is employed by your company, please return one copy of the garnishment signed by the paymaster to the Division of Revenue. You may fax that signed document to Garnishment Services at 302-661-7268 or mail to PO Box 8711, Wilmington, DE 19899-8711. The second copy is for your files, and the third copy should be distributed to your employee.
- If the individual is employed by your company and you fail to withhold and forward the garnished wages to the Division of Revenue, it will result in the filing of a lawsuit in the Superior Court against your company for an amount equal to the funds that should have been withheld from your employee's wages. The Division of Revenue will then proceed to collect the designated sum from your company.
- When the individual is no longer employed, please contact us via writing advising date of separation along with any other pertinent information. This letter can also be faxed to us @ 302-661-7268 Attention: Garnishment Services.
- Should the individual be employed but have an existing garnishment, we have included a set of guidelines to assist you in calculating the amount to be withheld.
- In the event that the enclosed guidelines do not offer the answer to your questions, further assistance is available by calling 302-577-8208 and requesting Garnishment Services.



# ATTENTION: PLEASE READ BEFORE CONTACTING THE DIVISION OF REVENUE

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST APPEAR ON ALL CHECKS OR INVOICES WHEN YOU SUBMIT PAYMENTS TO THE DELAWARE DIVISION OF REVENUE FOR THE ENCLOSED GARNISHMENT:

# NAME OF EMPLOYEE / TAXPAYER

SOCIAL SECURITY/ FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

## THE TAX PERIOD & TAX TYPE

THE TERM <u>T/W</u> TO INDICATE THAT THE CHECK IS A PAYMENT ON A WAGE/BANK GARNISHMENT THE ABOVE STEPS WILL INSURE THAT PAYMENTS ARE CREDITED TO THE PROPER ACCOUNT.

THANK YOU

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WILL ASSIST YOU IN COMPLYING WITH THE LAWS GOVERNING GARNISHMENT OF WAGES AND/OR BANK ATTACHMENTS AS THEY APPLY TO THE STATE OF

# DELAWARE WAGE/BANK ATTACHMENTS FOR DELINQUENT TAXES.

Wages are defined to include salaries, commissions and every other form of remuneration paid by an employer to an employee.

"Allowable deductions" are these items which may be deducted from gross income to determine disposable income and required by law to be withheld. These mandatory withholdings are limited to federal, state, local taxes and F.I.C.A.

#### An employee has no exemption under federal or state law from a state tax garnishment.

There may be withholding for more than 1 lien at the same time.

Court ordered child support under Delaware law takes precedence over a previously served state tax garnishment. Priority is determined on a "first to serve" basis in situations involving State and Federal Tax Garnishments and creditor Garnishments.

Under federal law the amount subject to court ordered support is limited to fifty (50%) of disposable earnings, if the employee supports a spouse or dependent and sixty (60%) if the employee is not supporting a spouse or dependent. (15 USC § 1673 (B). Putting these rules together one sees that a state tax garnishment should not cause a court ordered support garnishment to exceed the appropriate percentage of disposable earnings (50% or 60%). If the support garnishment is prior to or is subsequent to the state tax garnishment, the employer must notify Division of Revenue of the existence of the court ordered support garnishment and make partial payments up to the limited allowed.

In situations where a state tax garnishment is served subsequent to a creditor garnishment, the Division of Revenue must be notified of the existence of the creditor garnishment. The Division of Revenue will then notify the employer as to the amount that must be withheld in addition to the creditor garnishment.

Partial payments are permitted only as described in preceding response.

#### All garnishments do not have equal priority: