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RE: MI Personal Property Phase Out

Tony,

Thank you for the interest that you have shown in notifying industrial companies in Michigan of the personal property tax phase out that was first initiated in 2016. As you are aware, there are tremendous tax savings for companies that are still filing their returns on Form 632 which is being mailed to all taxpayers. The filing exemption form indicates, "To claim an exemption for EMPP, file Form 5278 with the local assessor where the personal property is located." Unfortunately, this statement on the form is still being missed by some taxpayers throughout the state.

It is my understanding that you are locating companies that are not fully informed and that would benefit from this exemption. Please inform your clients that we are an organization that was formed to be an advocate for manufacturing companies in Michigan as well as keeping our members up to date on changes in tax law such as the current personal property phase out.

MMA is proud of the work we've done in leading the legislative fight to eliminate this \$576 million barrier to competitiveness for manufacturers in Michigan and lead the successful \$10 million dollar statewide ballot proposal necessary to implement the elimination of this tax. So, thank you for your efforts to inform manufacturers about how to claim this substantial tax cut.

Sincerely,



Mike Johnston  
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