Notice to Taxpayers - Car Allowance Rebate System (CARS)

The Ohio Department of Taxation has issued an information release concerning the federal Car Allowance Rebate System (CARS) program.

This program, commonly referred to as "Cash for Clunkers," allows owners of certain older, low gas mileage vehicles to receive assistance totaling $3,500 or $4,500 on the purchase or lease of a new, higher mileage vehicle from a participating dealer.

This release, ST 2009-02, details the criteria for the program and the procedures dealers must follow with customers regarding the "clunker" vehicle and the applicability of sales tax to the price of the new vehicle. The release also contains a link to the federal Web site that explains the program.

ST 2009-02 is posted on the department's Web site, tax.ohio.gov, at the link below:

http://www.tax.ohio.gov/sales_and_use/information_releases/st_2009_02.aspx

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