State of Alabama
Department of Revenue

(www.revenue.alabama.gov)
50 North Ripley Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36132

May 15, 2017

TO: ALL PERSONS, FIRMS, AND CORPORATIONS making sales at retail and/or purchasing tangible personal property for use, storage, or other consumption in the **Town of Rockford**, Alabama, and its police jurisdiction (located in Coosa County).

Sections 11-51-200, et seq., **Code of Alabama 1975**, authorize and empower municipalities to levy a true sales and use tax identical to the State Sales and Use Tax Laws except for the rates of tax and require the Alabama Department of Revenue upon request of the municipality to collect the tax.

On April 25, 2017, the governing body of the Town of Rockford adopted Ordinance No. 501a (AS AMENDED) levying a sales and use tax **effective June 1, 2017**. The tax levied by this ordinance is an amendment to the sales and use tax levied by Ordinance No. 501.

Sales & Use Tax Rates:	**Old Rates**	**New Rates**
General Rate	2%	3%
Admissions to places of amusement and entertainment	2%	3%
Retail selling price of food for human consumption sold through vending machines	2%	3%
Net difference paid for machines, machinery, and equipment used in planting, cultivating, and harvesting farm products	2%	3%
Machines, parts, and attachments for machines used in manufacturing tangible personal property	2%	3%
Net difference paid for all automotive vehicles, truck trailers, semi-trailers, and house trailers	2%	3%
Withdrawal fee for automotive vehicle dealers only	$0.00	$0.00

If sales are made and delivered to consumers, or purchases made for use, storage, or other consumption, outside the corporate limits of the Town of Rockford but within the police jurisdiction, the rates of sales and use tax are one-half the rates shown above.

The Law requires that the Town of Rockford sales and use taxes be collected, reported and remitted in the same manner as the State sales and use taxes. When you file and pay electronically, the Town of Rockford sales and use taxes are to be included on the electronic city/county tax return assigned to you (City and County Tax Return, form 9501). Simply enter the gross amounts and deductions, and all calculations will be done automatically for you. You may file these taxes through My Alabama Taxes (MAT) at https://myalabamataxes.alabama.gov.
Please direct all questions regarding the Town of Rockford sales and use taxes to this office:

Alabama Department of Revenue
Sales and Use Tax Division
Post Office Box 327710
Montgomery, Alabama 36132-7710 (334-242-1490 or 1-866-576-6531)

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 501

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CODE OF ALABAMA 1975, SECTIONS 11-51-200, THIS ORDINANCE AMENDS ORDINANCE 501 LEVING A PRIVILEGE, LICENSE OR EXCISE TAX AGAINST PERSONS, FIRMS, OR CORPORATIONS STORING, USING, OR OTHERWISE CONSUMING OR ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING AT RETAIL TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY OR CONDUCTING PLACES OF AMUSEMENT IN THE TOWN OF ROCKFORD, ALABAMA AND PROVIDES FOR PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

Pursuant to the provisions of Code of Alabama 1975, Sections 11-51-200, be it ordained by the Town of Rockford in Coosa County in the State of Alabama, that Ordinance 501 is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby levied, in addition to all other taxes of every kind now imposed by law, and shall be collected as herein provided, a privilege or license tax against the person on account of the business activities and in the amount to be determined by the application of rates against gross sales, or gross receipts, as the case may be, as follows:

(a) Upon every person, firm, or corporation, (including the State of Alabama, the University of Alabama, Auburn University and all other institutions of higher learning in the state, whether such institutions be denominational, state, county or municipal institutions, and any association or other agency or instrumentality of such institutions) engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford in the business of selling at retail any tangible personal property whatsoever, including merchandise and commodities of every kind and character, (not including, however, bonds or other evidences of debts or stocks, nor sale or sales of material and supplies to any person for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repair, or reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships and other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five (5) tons load displacement as registered with the U. S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources), an amount equal to THREE PERCENT (3 %) of the gross proceeds of sales of the business except where a different amount is expressly provided herein. Provided, however, that any person engaging or continuing in business as a retailer and wholesaler or jobber shall pay the tax required on the gross proceeds of retail sales of such business at the rates specified, when his books are kept so as to show separately the gross proceeds of sales of each business, and when his books are not so kept he shall pay the tax as retailer on the gross sales of the business.

(b) Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford, in the business of conducting, or operating, places of amusement or entertainment, billiard and pool rooms, bowling alleys, amusement devices, musical

devices, theaters, opera houses, moving picture shows, vaudevilles, amusement parks, athletic contests, including wrestling matches, prize fights, boxing and wrestling exhibitions, football and baseball games, (including athletic contests, conducted by or under the auspices of any educational institution within the Town of Rockford, or any athletic association thereof, or other association whether such institution or association be a denominational, a state, or county, or a municipal institution or association or a state, county, or County school, or other institution, association or school), skating rinks, race tracks, golf courses, or any other place at which any exhibition, display, amusement or entertainment is offered to the public or place or places where an admission fee is charged, including public bathing places, public dance halls of every kind and description within the Town of Rockford, an amount equal to THREE PERCENT (3%) of the gross receipts of any such business. Provided, however, not withstanding any language to the contrary in the prior portion of this subsection, the tax provisions so specified shall not apply to any athletic event conducted by a public or private primary or secondary school. The tax amount, which would have been collected pursuant to this subsection, shall continue to be collected by said public or private primary or secondary school but shall be retained by the school which collected it and shall be used by said school for school purposes.

(c) Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford in the business of selling at retail machines used in mining, quarrying, compounding, processing, and manufacturing of tangible personal property, an amount equal to THREE PERCENT (3%) of the gross proceeds of the sale of such machines; provided, that the term "machines," as herein used, shall include machinery which is used for mining, quarrying, compounding, processing, or manufacturing tangible personal property, and the parts of such machines, attachments and replacements therefore which are made or manufactured for use on or in the operation of such machines and which are necessary to the operation of such machines and are customarily so used.

(d) Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford in the business of selling at retail any automotive vehicle or truck trailer, semi-trailer, house trailer or mobile home set-up materials and supplies including but not limited to steps, blocks, anchoring, cable pipes and any other materials pertaining thereto an amount equal to THREE PERCENT (3%) of the gross proceeds of sale of said automotive vehicle, truck trailer, semi-trailer, house trailer or mobile home set-up materials and supplies provided, however, where a person subject to the tax provided for in this subsection withdraws from his stock in trade any automotive vehicle or truck trailer, semi-trailer or house trailer for use by him or by his employee or agent in the operation of such business, there shall be paid, in lieu of the tax levied herein, a fee of $ 0.00 per year or part thereof during which such automotive vehicle, truck trailer, semi-trailer or house trailer shall remain the property of such person. Each such year or part thereof shall begin with the day or anniversary date, as the case may be, of such withdrawal and shall run for the twelve succeeding months or part thereof during which such automotive vehicle, truck trailer, or house trailer shall remain the property of such person.

Where any used automotive vehicle or truck trailer, semi-trailer or house trailer is taken in trade or in a series of trades, as a credit or part payment on the sale of a new or used vehicle, the tax levied herein shall be paid on the net difference, that is, the price of the new or used vehicle sold less the credit for the used vehicle taken in trade.

(e) Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford in the business of selling at retail any machine, machinery or equipment which is used in planting, cultivating and harvesting farm products, or used in connection with the production of agricultural produce or products, livestock or poultry on farms, and the parts of such machines, machinery or equipment, attachments and replacements therefore which are made or manufactured for use on or in the operation of such machine, machinery or equipment, and which are necessary to and customarily used in the operation of such machine, machinery or equipment, an amount equal to THREE PERCENT (3 %) of the gross proceeds of the sale thereof. Provided, however, the THREE PERCENT (3 %) rate herein prescribed with respect to parts, attachments, and replacements shall not apply to any automotive vehicle or trailer designed primarily for public highway use, except farm trailers used primarily in the production and harvesting of agricultural commodities.

Where any used machine, machinery or equipment which is used in planting, cultivating, and harvesting farm products, or used in connection with the production of agricultural produce or products, livestock and poultry on farms is taken in trade or in a series of trades as a credit or part payment on a sale of a new or used machine, machinery or equipment, the tax levied herein shall be paid on the net difference, that is, the price of the new or used machine, machinery or equipment sold, less the credit for the used machine, machinery or equipment taken in trade.

(f) Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged or continuing within the Town of Rockford in the business of selling through coin-operated dispensing machines, food and food products for human consumption, not including beverages other than coffee, milk, milk products and substitutes therefore, there is hereby levied a tax equal to THREE PERECENT (3 %) of the retail selling price of such food, food products and beverages sold through such machines.

Section 2. Levy of the Tax in Police Jurisdiction. Upon every person, firm or corporation engaged in the doing of an act, or who shall do an act, or continuing in the doing of an act, or engaged in the operation of any business, or who shall engage in the operation of any business, within the police jurisdiction of the city/town but beyond the corporate limits of said city/town for which or upon which a privilege or license tax is in this ordinance levied or required within the corporate limits of the city/town, there is hereby levied, in addition to all other taxes of every kind now imposed by law or by municipal ordinance, to be collected as herein provided for the privilege or license taxes herein levied within the corporate limits of the city/town a privilege or license tax equal to one-half of that provided, levied or required in this ordinance for the doing of such act, or the engaging or continuing therein, or the engaging or continuing in the operation of such business within the corporate limits of the city/town. Provided further, that except for the amount of the privilege or license tax herein levied within the police jurisdiction

of said city/town but without the corporate limits thereof, all the provisions of this ordinance extend and apply to all the area within the police jurisdiction of the city/town.

Section 3. (a) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford, of tangible personal property (not including materials and supplies bought for use in fulfilling a contract for the painting, repairing, or reconditioning of vessels, barges, ships and other watercraft and commercial fishing vessels of over five (5) tons load displacement as registered with the U. S. Coast Guard and licensed by the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) purchased at retail on or after the effective date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford, except as provided in subsections (b), (c), and (d), at the rate of THREE PERCENT (3 %) of the sales price of such property within the corporate limits of Town of Rockford.

(b) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford, of any machines used in mining, quarrying, compounding, processing, and manufacturing of tangible personal property purchased at retail on or after the effective date of this ordinance at the rate of THREE PERCENT (3 %) of the sales price of any such machine; provided, that the term "machine" as herein used, shall include machinery which is used for mining, quarrying, compounding, processing, or manufacturing tangible personal property, and the parts of such machines, attachments and replacements therefore, which are made or manufactured for use on or in the operation of such machines and which are necessary to the operation of such machines and are customarily so used.

(c) An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford on any automotive vehicle or truck trailer, semi-trailer, house trailer or mobile home set-up materials and supplies including but not limited to steps, blocks, anchoring, cable pipes and any other materials pertaining thereto purchased at retail on or after the effective date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford at the rate of THREE PERCENT (3 %) of the sales price of such automotive vehicle, truck trailer, semi-trailer, house trailer or mobile home set-up materials and supplies within the corporate limits of said County. Where any used automotive vehicle or truck trailer, semi-trailer or house trailer is taken in trade or in a series of trades, as a credit or part payment on the sale of a new or used vehicle, the tax levied herein shall be paid on the net difference, that is, the price of the new or used vehicle sold less the credit for the used vehicle taken in trade.

(d) An excise tax is hereby levied and imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford of any machine, machinery or equipment which is used in planting, cultivating and harvesting farm products, or used in connection with the production of agricultural produce or products, livestock or poultry on farms, and the parts of such machines, machinery or equipment, attachments and replacements therefore which are made or manufactured for use on or in the operation of such machine, machinery or equipment, and which are necessary to and customarily used in the operation of such machine, machinery or equipment, which is purchased at retail after the

effective date of this ordinance, for the storage, use or other consumption in the Town of Rockford at the rate of THREE PERCENT (3%) of the sales price of such property within the corporate limits of the Town of Rockford, regardless of whether the retailer is or is not engaged in the business in the Town of Rockford. Provided, however, the THREE PERCENT (3%) rate herein prescribed with respect to parts, attachments, and replacements shall not apply to any automotive vehicle or trailer designed primarily for public highway use, except farm trailers used primarily in the production and harvesting of agricultural commodities. Where any used machine, machinery or equipment which is used in planting, cultivating, and harvesting farm products, or used in connection with the production of agricultural produce or products, livestock and poultry on farms is taken in trade or in a series of trades as a credit or part payment on a sale of a new or used machine, machinery or equipment, the tax levied herein shall be paid on the net difference, that is, the price of the new or used machine, machinery or equipment sold, less the credit for the used machine, machinery or equipment taken in trade.

(e) An excise tax is hereby imposed on tangible personal property at one-half the rates specified in subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this section on the storage, use or other consumption of such tangible personal property outside the corporate limits of the city/town, but within the police jurisdiction.

Section 4. Provisions of State Use Tax Statutes Applicable to this Ordinance and Taxes Herein Levied. This ordinance and the taxes levied herein shall be subject to all definitions, exceptions, exemptions, proceedings, requirements, provisions, rules and regulations promulgated under the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act, direct pay permit and drive-out certificate procedures, statute of limitation, discounts, penalties, fines, punishments, and deductions that are applicable to the taxes levied by the State Use Tax statutes, except where inapplicable or where herein otherwise provided, including all provisions of the State Use Tax statutes for enforcement and collection of taxes.

Section 5. Use of Proceeds. The proceeds from the tax herein levied remaining after payment of the costs of colleting said tax, including all charges of the administration for such collection and paid over to and received by the Town of Rockford shall be distributed to the Town of Rockford.

Section 6. Severability. Each and every provision of this ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the first day of June, 2017, and the first payment of taxes hereunder shall be due and payable on the twentieth day of July 2017.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 25th day of April, 2017.

Mayor Randall Lewis

ATTEST:

Callie Thornton, Town Clerk

Town of Rockford

PO Box 128
Rockford, AL 35136
256-377-4911

I, Town Clerk of Rockford, Alabama, certify that the following notice has been placed in three (3) locations in the Town of Rockford borders: Post Office, Town Hall and the Coosa County Courthouse.

Town of Rockford
Posted 4/25/2017
Effective June 1, 2017

The Town of Rockford passed and amended Ordinance 501 which increases their sales and use taxes as shown below:

OLD RATES 2.000
NEW RATES 3.000

Sales and use taxes within the Police Jurisdiction of the Town of Rockford will equal one-half of those stated above.

If you have any questions about your Town of Rockford taxes, please contact:

Town of Rockford
PO Box 128
Rockford, AL 35136
(256) 377-4911

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact this office:
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
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Callie Thornton, Town Clerk

Attest: Glenda Cardwell