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TREASURER – TAX COLLECTOR TO ISSUE 71,267 DELINQUENT REMINDER NOTICES *Up 20% from last year*

San Diego, CA... The office of County Treasurer-Tax Collector Dan McAllister will issue **71,267 delinquent reminder notices** to taxpayers who failed to pay the first installment of their property taxes. Their property tax bills will now reflect a 10% late fee. The total amount due on these delinquent accounts is **\$149,856,998.46**

“As of January 18th, the office collected 93% of the first installment payments,” stated McAllister. “Though 93% might sound great, delinquencies increased by 20% from last year. Keep in mind, these delinquencies could be caused by several factors, including foreclosure, ownership transfers or new homeowners who may be confused as to who is responsible for paying the taxes.”

In September, the Treasurer-Tax Collector’s office sent out the 2007-2008 Secured Property Tax bill to **972,641 county taxpayers**. Payments are due in two equal installments, on November 1st (delinquent after December 10, 2007) and February 1st (delinquent after April 10, 2008.) Late payments automatically trigger late charges of 10% on the first installment payment; and an additional penalty of 10% plus a \$10 cost redemption fee is applied on the second installment if it is late.

“Please note that **Fire/Landslide victims claim applicants should disregard** the reminder notice if they receive one,” said McAllister. “If you receive the notice and your mortgage lender is responsible for paying the bill, please contact them immediately.”

For taxpayer convenience, payments can be made at any of our five locations throughout the county, by calling toll free at 877-TAX- 4SDC or by paying online at www.sdtreastax.com.

County Treasurer- Tax Collector Dan McAllister is responsible for tax collection, banking, investment, disbursement and accountability of public funds. ###