

(l) Solely for purposes of the state sales and use tax, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of a pollution control device or system. Pollution control device or system shall mean any tangible personal property approved by the Department of Revenue and the Department of Environmental Quality and sold or leased and used or intended for the purpose of eliminating, preventing, treating, or reducing the volume or toxicity or potential hazards of industrial pollution of air, water, groundwater, noise, solid waste, or hazardous waste in the state of Louisiana. For the purposes of any sales and use tax levied by a political subdivision, the term "sale at retail" shall include the sale of a pollution control device or system. In order to qualify, the pollution control device or system must demonstrate either: a net decrease in the volume or toxicity or potential hazards of pollution as a result of the installation of the device or system; or that installation is necessary to comply with federal or state environmental laws or regulations.

(m) The term "sale at retail" shall not include the sales of Louisiana manufactured or assembled passenger aircraft with a capacity in excess of fifty persons, if, after all transportation, including transportation by the purchaser, has been completed, the aircraft is ultimately received by the purchaser outside of Louisiana.

(n) For purposes of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by the state or any political subdivision thereof, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sales of pelletized paper waste when purchased for use as combustible fuel by an electric utility or in an industrial manufacturing, processing, compounding, reuse, or production process, including the generation of electricity or process steam, at a fixed location in this state.

However, such sale shall not be excluded unless the purchaser has signed a certificate stating that the fuel purchased is for the exclusive use designated herein. For purposes of this Subparagraph, "pelletized paper waste" means pellets produced from discarded waste paper that has been diverted or removed from solid waste which is not marketable for recycling and which is wetted, extruded, shredded, or formulated into compact pellets of various sizes for use as a supplemental fuel in a permitted boiler.

(o) For the purposes of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by the state or any local governmental subdivision or school board, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale or purchase of equipment used in fire fighting by bona fide volunteer and public fire departments.

(p) For purposes of state and political subdivision sales and use tax, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of items, including but not limited to supplies and equipment, or the sale of services as provided in this Section, which are reasonably necessary for the operation of free hospitals.

NOTE: Text of Subparagraph (10)(q) effective until July 1, 2009. See Acts 2005, No. 357, §1.

(q) For purposes of state and political subdivision sales and use tax, the term "sale at retail" shall not include:

(i) The sale of tangible personal property by approved parochial and private elementary and secondary schools which comply with the court order from the Dodd Brumfield decision and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or students, administrators, or teachers, or other employees of the school, if the money from such

sales, less reasonable and necessary expenses associated with the sale, is used solely and exclusively to support the school or its program or curricula. This exclusion shall not be construed to allow tax-free sales to students or their families by promoters or regular commercial dealers through the use of schools, school faculty, or school facilities.

(ii) The sale to approved parochial and private elementary and secondary schools which comply with the court order from the Dodd Brumfield decision and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of educational materials or equipment used for classroom instruction limited to books, workbooks, computers, computer software, films, videos, and audio tapes.

(r) For purposes of state and political subdivision sales and use tax, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of tangible personal property to Boys State of Louisiana, Inc. and Girls State of Louisiana, Inc. which is used by such organizations for their educational and public service programs for youth.

(s) The term "sale at retail" or "retail sale", for purposes of sales and use taxes imposed by the state or any political subdivision or other taxing entity, shall not include any charge, fee, money, or other consideration received, given, or paid for the performance of funeral directing services. For purposes of this Subparagraph, "funeral directing services" means the operation of a funeral home, or by way of illustration and not limitation, any service whatsoever connected with the management of funerals, or the supervision of hearses or funeral cars, the cleaning or dressing of dead human bodies for burial, and the performance or supervision of any service or act connected with the management of funerals from time of death until the body or bodies are delivered to the cemetery, crematorium, or other agent for the purpose of disposition. However, such services shall not mean or include the sale, lease, rental, or use of any tangible personal property as those terms are defined in this Section.

(t) For purposes of sales and use taxes levied by the state or any political subdivision of the state, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the transfer of title to or possession of telephone directories by an advertising company that is not affiliated with a provider of telephone services if the telephone directories will be distributed free of charge to the recipients of the telephone directories.

(u) For purposes of sales and use taxes levied and imposed by local governmental subdivisions, school boards, and other political subdivisions whose boundaries are not coterminous with those of the state, "sale at retail" by a person shall not mean or include the sale of tangible personal property if such sale is made under the provisions of Medicare.

(v) For purposes of the imposition of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by all taxing authorities in the state, in the case of the sale or other disposition by a dealer of any cellular, PCS, or wireless telephone, or any electronic accessories that are physically connected with such telephones and personal communication devices used in connection with the sale or use of mobile telecommunications services, the term "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall mean and include the sale or any other disposition of such cellular, PCS, or wireless telephone, any electronic accessories that are physically connected with such telephones and personal communication devices by the dealer to the purchaser, but shall not mean or include the withdrawal, use, distribution, consumption, storage, donation, or any other disposition of any such cellular, PCS, or wireless telephone, any electronic

accessories that are physically connected with such telephones, and personal communication devices by the dealer.

(w) For purposes of the imposition of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by any political subdivision of the state, in the case of the sale or other disposition by a dealer of any cellular telephone, PCS telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless personal communication device that is used in connection with the sale or use of mobile telecommunications services, or any electronic accessory that is physically connected with any such telephone or personal communication device, the term "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall mean and include the sale or any other disposition of any such telephone, other personal communication device, or electronic accessory.

(x) For purposes of the sales and use tax imposed by the state or any political subdivision whose boundaries are coterminous with those of the state, the terms "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall not include the following:

(i) The sale or purchase by a person of any fuel or gas, including but not limited to butane and propane.

(ii) Beginning July 1, 2008, the sale or purchase by any person of butane and propane.

(y)(i) Solely for the purposes of sales and use taxes levied by the state or any political subdivision whose boundaries are coterminous with those of the state, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of manufacturing machinery and equipment used or consumed in this state to manufacture, produce, or extract unblended biodiesel.

(ii) As used in this Subparagraph, the following words and phrases have the meaning ascribed to them:

(aa) "Manufacturing machinery and equipment" means tangible property used or consumed, or held for use or consumption, as an integral part of a biodiesel manufacturing, production, or extraction facility, process, or item of equipment. Property shall be considered to be an integral part of such biodiesel manufacturing, production, or extraction facility, process, or item of equipment only if such property is used or consumed directly in the manufacturing, production, or extraction process or is part of, physically attached to, or otherwise directly associated with such property. Property, the installation of which is reasonably necessary for the proper installation, operation, maintenance of property which directly results in such manufacturing, production, or extraction shall be considered as directly associated with such property.

(bb) "Unblended biodiesel" means a fuel comprised of mono-alkyl esters of long chain fatty acids derived from vegetable oils or animal fats, designated B100, and meeting the requirements of the definition provided for in D 6751 of the American Society of Testing and Materials (ATDM D 6751), before such fuel is blended with a petroleum-based diesel fuel.

NOTE: Subparagraph (z) as enacted by Acts 2005, No. 345, §1, eff. July 1, 2006, and shall become null and void on June 30, 2012.

(z) Solely for the purposes of sales and use taxes levied by the state or any political subdivision whose boundaries are coterminous with those of the state, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of any alternative substance when such alternative substance is used as a fuel by a manufacturer. "Alternative substance" means any substance other than oil and natural gas and any product of oil and natural gas. "Alternative substance" shall include petroleum coke, landfill gas, reclaimed or waste

oil, unblended biodiesel, or tire-derived fuel, but not coal, lignite, refinery gas, nuclear fuel, or electricity. "Manufacturer" means a person whose principal activity is manufacturing and who is assigned by the Louisiana Workforce Commission a North American Industrial Classification System code with the agricultural, forestry, fishing, and hunting Sector 11 or the manufacturing Sectors 31-33 as they existed in 2002.

(aa)(i) For purposes of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by the state or any political subdivision of the state, the term "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of toys to a non-profit organization exempt from federal taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code if the sole purpose of the purchasing organization is to donate toys to minors and the toys are, in fact, donated.

(ii) The exclusion provided in this Subparagraph shall not apply if the donation is intended to ultimately yield a profit to a promoter of the organization or to any individual contracted to provide services or equipment, or both, to the organization.

(iii) A certificate of exclusion shall be obtained from the secretary or the tax collector of the political subdivision, under such regulations as he shall prescribe, in order for nonprofit organizations to qualify for the exclusion provided for in this Subparagraph.

(bb) For purposes of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by the state, the terms "retail sale" and "sale at retail" shall not include sales of natural gas to be held, used, or consumed in providing natural gas storage services or operating natural gas storage facilities.

(cc) For purposes of the sales and use tax imposed by the state or any political subdivision of the state, the terms "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall not mean or include the purchase of textbooks and course-related software by a private postsecondary academic degree-granting institution, accredited by a national or regional commission that is recognized by the United States Department of Education and is licensed by the Board of Regents, which institution has its main location within this state and offers only online instruction, when all of the following apply:

(i) The textbooks and course-related software are physically outside of this state when purchased from a vendor outside of this state and then imported into this state.

(ii) The first student use of the textbooks and course-related software occurs outside of this state.

(iii) The textbooks and course-related software are provided to the student free of charge.

(dd) For purposes of sales and use taxes imposed or levied by the state, the terms "retail sale" or "sale at retail" shall not include the purchase of food items for school lunch or breakfast programs by nonpublic elementary or secondary schools which participate in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs or the purchase of food items by nonprofit corporations which serve students in nonpublic elementary or secondary schools and which participate in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs.

(ee)(i) Solely for the purposes of the imposition of the state sales and use tax, the term "retail sale" and "sale at retail" shall not include the sale of any storm shutter device.

(ii) As used in this Subparagraph, "storm shutter device" means materials and products manufactured, rated, and marketed specifically for the purpose of preventing window damage from storms.

(iii) The secretary of the Department of Revenue, in consultation with the Department of Insurance, shall promulgate such rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Subparagraph.