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NOTICE

Clarification of when Diplomatic Customers of Shell Oil receive tax exemption

The Office of Foreign Missions (OFM) recently learned that Shell Oil only allows gasoline tax exemption to diplomatic mission and personnel in their area of residence.

Shell Oil will provide gasoline tax exemption for diplomatic credit account holders located/assigned in the Washington DC area. Therefore, such missions or organizations and their members will receive exemption from gasoline taxes in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Northern Virginia.

Consulates or organizations and their members located outside the Washington DC area will only receive gasoline tax exemption in their state of residence. For example, an eligible consular officer assigned to Miami, Florida would receive exemption on Shell gasoline only in the state of Florida.

If foreign missions or organizations and their members choose to use their Shell Oil credit card while traveling outside their area/state of residence, taxes will be charged on Shell fuel.

For additional questions or comments concerning this information please contact OFM by phone at 202-895-3500 option 2, or the nearest OFM Regional Office.

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