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November 2 Deadline for Property Tax Relief Programs Approaching

TRENTON – New Jersey homeowners and tenants are reminded that the deadline for applying for two direct property tax relief programs is only days away, with applications for the 2008 Homestead Rebate and the 2008 Property Tax Reimbursement (Senior Freeze) programs due by November 2.

Eligible homeowners who have not yet applied for the Homestead Rebate can file by phone (1-877-658-2972) or online at www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Eligible tenants can complete and file a paper Homestead Rebate Application, Form TR-1040. Copies of Form TR-1040 and instructions are available on the Division of Taxation's Web site at www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/prntgit.shtml. Or, tenants can use NJ WebFile, the Division's free Internet filing system at www.njwebfile.com/.

Residents who need assistance can call the Homestead Rebate Hotline (1-888-238-1233 for homeowners or 1-888-213-8623 for tenants) between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Both homeowners and tenants who have already filed their applications can get information on the status of their Homestead Rebate checks by calling 1-877-658-2972, or online www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/homestead/statusing.shtml

Property Tax Reimbursement (Senior Freeze) applicants can call the Property Tax Reimbursement Hotline at 1-800-882-6597 to speak to a Taxation representative for assistance, to get information on the status of their reimbursement checks if they have already filed, or to request an application.

The Homestead Rebate and Property Tax Reimbursement (Senior Freeze) Programs are separate programs, with different eligibility requirements.

Residents who qualify must file separate applications for each program and meet specific income eligibility requirements. Additional eligibility information can be found at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/homestead/hrintro.shtml

Information about the Homestead Rebate and Senior Freeze Programs, as well as other New Jersey property tax relief programs, is available on the Division of Taxation's Web site at www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/relief.shtml.