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April 17, 2013

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**RE: Courtyard by Marriott - Allentown/Bethlehem/Lehigh Valley Airport  
2160 Motel Drive  
Bethlehem, PA 18018**

To Ms. Floyd and Mr. Kahler:

We have recently completed an agreed-upon procedures engagement of hotel room rental tax remitted by Courtyard by Marriott - Allentown/Bethlehem/Lehigh Valley Airport for the period December 31, 2011 to December 28, 2012. Our report number 13-24 is attached.

The result of our review is \$142.19 in hotel room rental tax was assessed.

The corresponding HOTEL TAX "DETERMINATION" from Mr. Kahler requesting payment of \$142.19 is also attached.

Glenn Eckhart  
County Controller

Attachments (2)

**COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA**  
**HOTEL ROOM RENTAL TAX REMITTANCES**  
**COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT - ALLENTOWN/BETHLEHEM/LEHIGH VALLEY AIRPORT**

*Independent Controller's Office Report on  
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures  
For the Period December 31, 2011 to December 28, 2012*

REPORT NO. 13-24

COUNTY OF LEHIGH, PENNSYLVANIA  
HOTEL ROOM RENTAL TAX REMITTANCES  
COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT - ALLENTOWN/BETHLEHEM/LEHIGH VALLEY AIRPORT

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To Ms. Floyd and Mr. Kahler:

Pursuant to Act 12 of 2005, section 1770.8 to the County Code, Lehigh County Ordinance #2005-180 and the Lehigh County Hotel Room Rental Tax Rules and Regulations effective September 4, 2005, a four percent hotel room rental tax shall be collected and remitted to the Lehigh County fiscal officer. We have performed certain procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Lehigh County fiscal officer, solely to assist the county fiscal officer in determining the accuracy of hotel room rental tax remittances made by the Courtyard by Marriott - Allentown/Bethlehem/Lehigh Valley Airport management for the period December 31, 2011 to December 28, 2012. The fiscal officer, as the delegate for the County Executive, is responsible for the collection of the hotel room rental tax.

Procedures performed included:

- Verification of reported revenue to Form PA-3 submitted to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Revenue.
- Compliance to the County of Lehigh Rules and Regulations for hotel room rental tax collection.
- Verification of reported revenue and hotel room rental tax collections to hotel operator accounting records.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards and “Government Auditing Standards” as issued by the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) and “Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements” as issued by the American Institute for Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures performed.

Reported taxable revenues of \$3,046,193.75 resulted in \$121,847.75 in hotel tax payable to the County of Lehigh during the period under review (before adjustments). Based on our review, additional tax and interest is due for an exemption adjustment of \$142.19.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on hotel room rental tax collections. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the county fiscal officer and management of the County of Lehigh and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



Glenn Eckhart  
County Controller

Attachment

March 27, 2013  
Allentown, PA

Final Distribution

Board of Commissioners

William H. Hansell, County Executive

General Manager, Courtyard by Marriott - Allentown/Bethlehem/Lehigh Valley Airport

Hayley Taylor, Marriott Business Services – Senior Sales Tax Accountant

Anna Williams, Marriott Business Services – Sales Tax Audit Accountant



**COUNTY OF LEHIGH**  
**Office of Fiscal Affairs**

**Brian L. Kahler**  
**Fiscal Officer**

April 17, 2013

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**RE: HOTEL TAX "DETERMINATION"**  
**Courtyard by Marriott**  
**2160 Motel Drive**  
**Bethlehem, PA 18018**

Dear Ms. Floyd:

According to the recent agreed-upon procedures performed by the Lehigh County controller's office, hotel tax and interest is due for the period December 31, 2011 to December 28, 2012. In accordance with Section G of the Hotel Tax Rules and Regulations, you are hereby requested to remit the sum of \$142.19. The calculations of the "determination" (as stated in Section G) were included in the Lehigh County controller's office draft report. Failure to remit the payment within **ten (10) days** will result in additional penalties, attorney fees, and fines as stated in Section G.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. L. Kahler", is written over a horizontal line.

Brian L. Kahler  
Fiscal Officer

xc: Glenn Eckhart, County Controller

HOTEL TAX/HOTEL TAX DETERMINATION LETTER

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