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**CLARIFICATION OF THE PARTIAL SALES TAX EXEMPTION  
FOR POWER-DRIVEN FARM EQUIPMENT**

Effective October 1, 1998, the partial sales tax exemption for farm equipment was expanded to include power-driven farm equipment. Power-driven farm equipment means **ONLY** moving or stationary equipment that is dependent upon an external power source to perform its function. Examples of power-driven farm equipment include pumps, conveyors, augers, and livestock or poultry feeding systems.

Generators, motors, and similar types of equipment **DO NOT** qualify for the partial exemption provided for power-driven farm equipment even though they are used to supply power to qualifying power-driven farm equipment.

For example, a "power-unit" used to supply power to an irrigation pump used by a farmer **DOES NOT QUALIFY AND IS NOT** included in the definition of power-driven farm equipment and is taxable at the rate of 6%, rather than 2.5%, plus any applicable discretionary sales surtax. Dealers are required to tax the sale of these type power-units at the full state rate of 6%, plus any applicable discretionary sales surtax, even though the purchaser requests that tax be paid at the reduced rate and they try to extend a partial exemption affidavit.

However, generators purchased or leased for exclusive use on a poultry farm are exempt from sales tax since these generators are specifically exempt by statutes, which is provided in Section 212.08(5)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rule 12A-1.087(8)(b), Florida Administrative Code. The exemption is only allowed if the purchaser or lessee issues to the seller a signed certificate stating the generator is purchased or leased for exclusive use on a poultry farm.

References: Sections 212.08(3) and 212.08(5)(a), Florida Statutes; Rule 12A-1.087(8)(b), Florida Administrative Code

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