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Regional office opens in Dighton, for truckers' convenience

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TOPEKA – To better serve western Kansas, the Kansas Department of Revenue will be opening a new International Registration Plan regional office in Dighton on Wednesday, May 18.

The Lane County office, 144 S. Lane, Dighton, will be open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Central Standard Time Monday through Friday.

"The new office will help motor carriers in western Kansas save on travel time and expenses," said Lane County Treasurer Pat Sharp. "Before, truckers could spend all day traveling to Topeka and back to obtain their apportionment tags."

It is the seventh regional office the department has opened in conjunction with county partners. Motor carriers will be able to pay for their apportioned tags, which were only available through the Motor Carrier Services Department in Topeka before the department began opening its regional offices.

"Gov. Sam Brownback is highly committed to making government more convenient for Kansans," said Revenue Secretary Nick Jordan. "This office is one way that the Revenue Department is implementing that vision."

The apportioned tags, commonly called IRP tags, are part of an agreement providing registration reciprocity among the 48 contiguous states, District of Columbia and Canada. The tags apply to motor carriers who travel in more than one jurisdiction, when they are registered through the plan in one jurisdiction the vehicles are able to operate in all the jurisdictions with only one plate and cab card.

The plan was initially developed by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators and is recommended for adoption by all jurisdictions. Kansas became a member of the IRP July, 1980.