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Board Reduces Permit Fees

Lincoln, Nebraska, January 13, 2006—The Nebraska Board of Public Accountancy at their January 6, 2006 meeting voted to reduce some of the Board's permit fees. The Executive Committee of the Board made the recommendation after meeting with the Board's Department of Administrative Services Budget Officer and reviewing financial information provided by Board staff. Per Board Rules, the Board must set permit fees by February of each year.

The Board is cognizant its funds are derived from its permit holders and is pleased to announce this year it can reduce some of its fees. The reduction is attributed to scrutiny in spending, no major enforcement actions, or deviations from the current CPA/firm population. The Board takes the role of allocating its funds very seriously with the main goal of protecting the public and accounting profession.

The reduction in fees include:

Active Permit to Practice \$200 from \$210 (Biennial)
InActive Permit Registration \$80 from \$90 (Biennial)
Firm Permit Registration \$100 from \$110 (Annual)

Persons wishing more information on this matter or other licensing/certification requirements of Certified Public Accountants or CPA firms should contact the Board of Public Accountancy at (402) 471-3595 or 1-800-564-6111.