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Audit Finds Hotel That Paid No Taxes

Inspector General Ed Quatrevaux said today that the series of audits of hotel tax payments to the City has uncovered one hotel that apparently has not paid hotel taxes since Katrina. The hotel, which has more than 25 rooms, also did not have the occupational license required of all businesses.

Eight audits have been conducted thus far and another 17 are planned. IG Quatrevaux said, "The auditors are finding payment deficiencies primarily in mid-sized hotels, and we will focus our future efforts on that size group. Hotel operators that have not been paying appropriate taxes would be wise to come clean with the City before an audit uncovers their delinquency."

The hotel's identity will remain confidential until tax authorities complete their review. The Office of Inspector General will compile the results of the series of audits in a summary report to be issued later this year.

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