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## Spotlight on Florida: Sales and Use Tax Exemption Now Available for Purchases of Industrial Machinery and Equipment

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Any "eligible manufacturing business" is reminded that, effective April 30, 2014, an exemption from Florida sales and use tax is available for purchases of industrial machinery and equipment used at a fixed location in Florida by an eligible manufacturing business that will manufacture, process, compound, or produce for sale items of tangible personal property. The exemption also includes parts and accessories for the industrial machinery and equipment if they are purchased before the date the machinery and equipment are placed in service. An "eligible manufacturing business" means any business whose primary business activity at the location where the industrial machinery and equipment are located is within the industries classified under manufacturing NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) codes 31, 32, and 33. The primary business activity of an eligible business is that activity which represents more than 50 percent of the activities conducted at the location where the industrial machinery and equipment are located.

The exemption is scheduled for repeal effective April 30, 2017.

If you would like to discuss Florida's new sales and use tax exemption for purchases of industrial machinery and equipment, please contact one of the attorneys in the Firm's Tax Group.