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Leon County Tax Certificate Sale To Go On-line

Doris Maloy, Leon County Tax Collector will conduct the 2005 annual tax certificate sale **through an on-line Internet Auction**. This year, our Sale of Delinquent Tax Certificates will be held on May 24, 2005. Batches of Certificates will close hourly beginning at 9:00 A.M. EDT on that date and will continue in this manner until 4:00 P.M.. Copies of the delinquent tax list will be available at each tax collector customer service center, on www.BidLeon.com. and other locations to be announced.

A bidder orientation session/workshop will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Friday, March 18, 2005 in the Training Room at the Tax Collector's Carriage Gate Office, located at 3425 Thomasville Road, (the intersection of Thomasville Road and Interstate 10) Tallahassee, Florida. The workshop is free and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Please call (850) 414-8849 to reserve a seat.

The Leon County Tax Collector's BidLeon web site, which will be created specifically to support this sale, will appear on the World Wide Web for the first time the week of March 7th. Prospective bidders can begin registering to participate in the 2005 auction at that time. If you have questions regarding the internet sale, call toll-free 1-800-410-3445, press 1. A representative will be available to assist you and provide a guided demonstration.

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