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To whom it may concern,

From April through October of 2018, local public health authorities in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority will be conducting an assessment of tobacco retail establishments throughout the state. This assessment is not an inspection, and it is not related to the tobacco retailer inspections conducted by the Oregon State Police or by local or federal authorities.

Individuals conducting assessments will be collecting information to estimate the availability of tobacco and alcohol in stores, and how these products are advertised and promoted. Information collected from all stores will be combined for analysis. Individual stores will not be identified in any reports or information shared as part of this assessment.

Individuals conducting assessments may ask store employees a few questions, and then look around the store at items and advertisements. The process should take about 15 minutes. Individuals conducting assessments will be careful not to interfere with shoppers or employees while in the store.

If you have any questions regarding the provisions of the retail survey, you may contact Tara Weston at (971) 673-0984.

Sincerely,

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