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IRAS reduces Annual Values of more than 100,000 private properties in the 1st Quarter 2009

Appendix 1: Profile of properties reviewed in Q1 2009

Property Type	Total No. of Properties in Singapore	No. of Properties Reviewed in Q1 2009		% Reduction in Q1 2009 ³		
		Reviewed	Reduced ²	Annual Value (AV) after Review	Property Tax after Review	
Private residential	240,525	85,000	84,900	5% - 20%	45% - 50% (owner- occupied) ⁴ 5% - 20% (non owner- occupied)	
Offices	17,000	15,700	15,600	10% - 35%	45% - 60%	
Shophouses	26,300	4,900	4,800	5% - 25%	45% - 60%	
Industrial	29,108	9,900	9,700	5% - 30%	45% - 60%	
Others	4,206	700	400	5% - 40%	5%- 45%	

Note

² For the properties which have had their AVs reviewed but not reduced in Q1 2009, their AVs mostly remain unchanged.

³ This represents the range of AV and Property Tax reduction for which most AV-reduced properties fall under.

⁴ As announced in Budget 2009, owner-occupied residential properties will enjoy a rebate of 40% on the property tax payable (after existing rebates) for calendar year 2009, as long as the properties are eligible for the owner-occupier's concessionary tax rate of 4% per year.

Appendix 2: Illustration of Reduction in Property Tax Payable for an Owneroccupied Private Residential Property

This table illustrates how the property tax payable for 2009 is computed.

(For period 1 Jan 2009 – 31 Dec 2009)

Period	Annual Value	Tax Rate	Tax Payable	
Property Tax after revision				
Property Tax based on proposed AV				
and after 40% property tax rebate				
2009				
01 Jan 2009 - 28 Feb 2009	\$30,000	4%	\$200.00	
less 2009 Property Tax rebate			\$16.67	
less 40% Property Tax rebate			\$73.33	
		Sub Total	\$110.00	•
01 Mar 2009 - 31 Dec 2009*	\$25,800	4%	\$860.00	
less 2009 Property Tax rebate			\$83.33	
less 40% Property Tax rebate			\$310.67	
		Sub Total	\$466.00	•
		Total _	\$576.00	(A)
Property Tax before revision				
Property Tax based on existing AV				
and before 40% property tax rebate				
2009				
01 Jan 2009 - 31 Dec 2009	\$30,000	4%	\$1,200.00	
less 2009 Property Tax rebate			\$100.00	
		Total	\$1,100.00	(B)

Reduction in Property Tax payable = [(B) - (A)] / (B)= 48%

^{*}In this example, the revised AV of \$25,800 will take effect from 1 Mar to 31 Dec 2009.

Appendix 3: Illustration of Reduction in Property Tax Payable for a Commercial/Industrial Property (Office)

This table illustrates how the property tax payable for 2009 is computed.

(For period 1 Jan 2009 - 31 Dec 2009)

	Annual			
Period	Value	Tax Rate	Tax Payable	
Property Tax after revision				
Property Tax based on proposed AV				
and after 40% property tax rebate				
2009				
01 Jan 2009 - 28 Feb 2009	\$100,000	10%	\$1,666.67	
less 40% Property Tax rebate			\$666.67	
		Sub Total	\$1,000.00	
01 Mar 2009 - 31 Dec 2009	\$75,000	10%	\$6,250.00	
less 40% Property Tax rebate			\$2,500.00	
, ,		Sub Total	\$3,750.00	
		Total	\$4,750.00	(A)
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Property Tax before revision				
Property Tax based on existing AV				
and before 40% property tax rebate				
2009				
01 Jan 2009 - 31 Dec 2009	\$100,000	10%	\$10,000 .00	
		Total	\$10,000.00	(B)
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Reduction in Property Tax payable = [(B) - (A)] / (B)= 53%

^{*} In this example, the revised AV of \$75,000 will take effect from 1 Mar to 31 Dec 2009.