

## AMCON - Bismarck Cigarette Excise Tax Stamping

We cigarette excise tax stamp for our customers in Minnesota, Montana, South Dakota, & Wisconsin four days a week. Based on 2011 data for this distribution center, our volume is divided as follows:

MN - 21%

MT - 4%

ND - 60%

SD - 13%

WI - 1%

The Excise tax stamping machine in use in Bismarck is a used reconditioned machine purchased from R.E.D. Stamp. AMCON has about \$80,000.00 invested in the machine alone. The only two companies making cigarette excise tax stamping machines are R.E.D stamp and Meyer Cord. The capabilities or the two machines are about the same. A new piece of equipment from either source will be \$140,000 - \$150,000. Additional equipment needed to stamp will be air compressor, three phase power to the stamping location, accumulation conveyors and take away conveyors in order to keep the products moving. We also have a minimum of 4 people trained on operation of the machine.

The four states we stamp for have excise tax stamp value as follow:

MN - \$1.601 per pack or \$48,030 per roll

MT - \$1.70 per pack or \$51,000 per roll

SD - \$1.53 per pack or \$45,900 per roll

WI - \$2.52 per pack or \$75,600 per roll

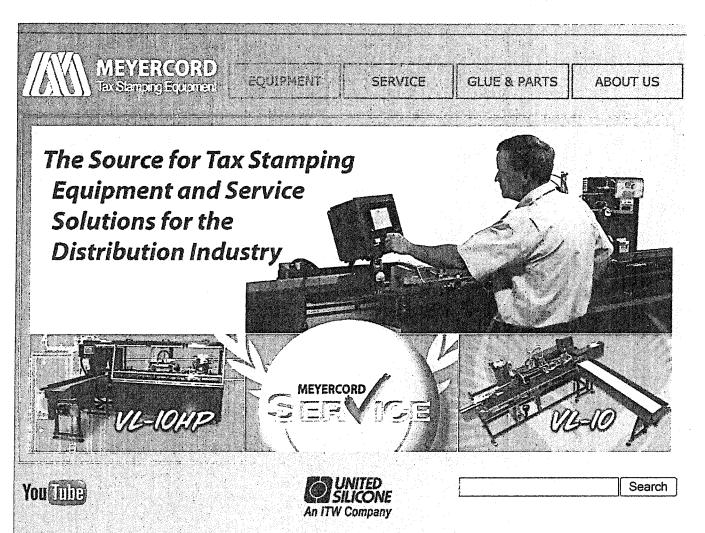
Each of these states have minimum pricing of cigarette rules for the wholesaler to recover stamping costs.



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