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CITY OF TRENTON HIRES COLLECTION AGENCY TO COLLECT MORE THAN \$2.9 MILLION IN OUTSTANDING MUNICIPAL COURT FINES

Trenton, N.J. — The city announced today that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:23-6.53, it has entered into a contract with Pioneer Credit Recovery, Inc. to collect approximately \$2.9 million in outstanding Trenton Municipal Court fines, including time payment orders, a process that will commence on October 1, 2015.

"Having a professional service undertake this work increases efficiency and enables the city to collect a great deal more of the fines in arrears than we would with our existing personnel," said city Business Administrator Terry McEwen.

An administrative fee of 22% will be added to fines collected by Pioneer, which is based in Arcade, New York. To avoid having your account placed in collections and an additional 22% being added to your outstanding fine, residents and non-residents can report to Trenton Municipal Court, New Beginnings Program with an initial down payment of 30% of their outstanding debt and they must enter into a monthly installment plan thereafter. To make an appointment with the New Beginnings Program Coordinator, call (609) 989-3700 ext. 629.

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