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### **Private Deed Recording Companies Overcharging Residents For Recorded Documents**

(Boise, ID) – The Ada County Assessor’s office warns that a solicitation offering residents certified copies of their property deed is misleading and charges customers 3,000 percent more for services that Ada County provides for as little as \$2.

The Ada County Assessor’s Office has recently received complaints and questions from residents wondering whether an unsolicited letter offering certified copies of their property deed is legitimate. The mailing stresses the importance of having a certified deed, and offers to provide a certified deed for \$59.50 and \$20.00 for additional copies.

“This mailing essentially seeks to exploit residents by charging them an enormous rate for something they can easily obtain from the Ada County Courthouse on their own,” said Ada County Assessor Bob McQuade. “In these still-sagging economic times, residents should hold onto their hard-earned money. It is not difficult to obtain these documents from the Ada County Courthouse.”

At the time of sale, the original deed is recorded with Ada County and sent back to the new owner for their records. If Ada County residents need a certified copy, they can visit the county Recorder’s Office and pay \$1 for each page of the deed and \$1 to certify the deed. The county Recorder’s Office is located on the first floor of the Ada County Courthouse, 200 W. Front Street in Boise.