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OWNER OF RANDOLPH CLEANING SERVICE PLEADS GUILTY TO TAX EVASION

Newark, N.J. –The owner of B & D Cleaning Service, Inc. (B & D), located in Randolph, New Jersey, pleaded guilty today to personal and corporate income tax evasion.

Frank Burrini, 53, a resident of Hackettstown, New Jersey, entered his plea before U.S. District Judge Susan D. Wigenton. Burrini pleaded guilty to a two count information that charges him with one count of personal income tax evasion and one count of corporate income tax evasion. Sentencing is scheduled for September 30, 2015.

"To build faith in our nation's tax system, honest taxpayers need to be reassured that everyone is paying their fair share," stated Jonathan D. Larsen, Special Agent in Charge, IRS-Criminal Investigation, Newark Field Office. "Mr. Burrini is now a convicted felon and faces the possibility of prison time for his actions."

According to court documents and statements made in court:

Burrini owned and operated B & D Cleaning Service, Inc., a residential cleaning service. For the tax years 2008 and 2009, Burrini deposited a portion of B & D customer checks into a business bank account. The other portion of B & D customer checks, which were a significant percentage of gross receipts, were cashed by Burrini and used to fund an unreported cash payroll and pay for business expenses. In addition, Burrini diverted the remaining cash to pay for personal expenses.

Burrini admitted that for the tax years 2008 and 2009, he only reported as income on B & D's corporate income tax returns the portion of customer checks that were deposited into the business bank account of B & D. Burrini admitted that for 2008 and 2009, he cashed approximately \$1,239,282 in customer checks and did not report this money as

income on the 2008 and 2009 corporate income tax returns for B & D. This unreported income resulted in an approximate tax due and owing to the government of \$129,169.

In addition, Burrini admitted that for the tax years 2008 and 2009, he failed to report as income on his personal tax returns approximately \$231,487 in customer checks that he cashed and diverted for his personal use. This unreported income resulted in an approximate tax loss to the government of \$50,390.

The charge of tax evasion carries a statutory maximum prison sentence of five years and a statutory maximum fine equal to the greatest of: (1) \$250,000; (2) twice the gross amount of any pecuniary gain derived from the offense; or (3) twice the gross amount of any pecuniary loss sustained by any victims of the offense.

The investigation was conducted by IRS-Criminal Investigation, Newark Field Office, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Jonathan D. Larsen and the U.S. Attorney's Office, under the direction of U.S. Attorney Paul J. Fishman.

The Government is represented by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew R. Tyler.

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