SOP Reference #: AC013

Operation/Task:	Collections			Equipment:	N/A
Owner:	Accounts Receivable Manager	Date Created:	5/3/21	Department:	Accounting
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ALERTS (see below): Critical Step ♦ Quality Check ☑ Tip ☺ Team Safety •

Purpose: This SOP/work instruction describes the collections process.

Step #	Alerts	Step Description - "What to Do"	"How to Do it"	"Why to Do it"			
1		Determine which clients need to be contacted	Refer to collection team spreadsheet which is distributed twice weekly. Refer to screen shot in the Definitions section for an example.	This report will identify every invoice and its status.			
2		For invoices with 30-45-60 day terms	 First contact attempt with the customer is at 15 days past due. (see notes section below for First e-mail attempt template) If no response, then second attempt is 1 week later. At 30 days past due if we still have no response, we will let sales know. (see notes section below for second e-mail attempt template) Note: If no response has been generated to this point, the invoice will be reviewed between the AR Manager and the sales rep to determine the next steps in the collection process. 	If the client has not yet paid their invoice, we need to contact them in a timely fashion to remind them.			
3		Invoices with 90 day terms	 First contact with the customer will be made at day 91. If no response, then second attempt is 1 week later, and sales will be made aware. If no response has been generated to this point, the invoice will be reviewed between the AR Manager and the sales rep to determine the next steps in the collection process. 	If the client has not yet paid their invoice, we need to contact them in a timely fashion to remind them.			

4	Customer that communicates they are	Notify AR Manager and the sales rep	Approval is needed
	delaying payment for any reason		

Notes:

First e-mail attempt

This is just a friendly reminder that your account is past due. According to our records your balance of \$ is outstanding. In the event you have not received these messages and documents, we have provided a summary of the invoice(s).

Invoice number:

Invoice Date:

Amount: Due Date: If there are multiple invoices a statement may be used instead.

Days past due:

We would appreciate if you could let us know the status of this payment. Please contact us or send your payment of \$ to the address below by (put date in one week out) if you have not already done so.

ATTN: Accounts Receivable.

Thank you for your prompt response to this request and for your continued business.

Sincerely,

Second e-mail attempt

At this time, we have not yet received a payment regarding invoice(s). Your account is now ____ days past due and you owe a total of \$.

Please contact us immediately if you would like to discuss, otherwise please submit your payment of \$____ by (one week out).

Thank you in advance for your prompt response to this letter and for your continued business.

Sincerely,

Definitions: Example of collections spreadsheet												
Invoice #	Job #	Due Date	Invoice Date	Customer Account #	Customer Name	Transaction Date	Note	Invoice Total	Aging Days	Invoice Balance	Days Past Due	Terms
999999	111111	01/31/2021	12/02/2020	2220	Test	11/30/2020	2/7/21 - Email sent to customer 2/14/21 - Email sent to customer 2/21/21 - Phone call to customer email sent to sales rep	\$5,000.00	106	\$5,000.00	46	60
999999	111111	02/16/2021	11/18/2020	2221	Test	11/18/2020	2/16/21 - Email sent to customer 2/23/21 - Secon email sent to customer and notification to sales rep	\$7,500.00	120	\$7,500.00	30	90
999999	111111	3/13/2021	2/11/2021	2222	Test	11/31/2021	30 Day Terms - only 5 days past so no note	\$9,865.08	35	\$9,865.08	5	30

Revision History	Description of Changes	Requested by	Date
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