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2013 REAL PROPERTY VALUATION NOTICES

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – Each year, the Sedgwick County Appraiser's Office updates property owners about changes in value or classification pertaining to their properties by preparing valuation notices. In the past, all property owners received a notice in the mail even if their property didn't experience a change.

In an effort to save about \$40,000, the appraiser received permission from the state to mail ONLY notices for real properties that changed in value or classification from 2012 to 2013. So, property owners whose property value and classification stayed the same will not receive a notice in the mail this year.

The Sedgwick County Appraiser's Office will mail approximately 85,000 real property valuation notices on or before March 1. This includes about 40 percent of the 220,000 properties in Sedgwick County.

Any property owner, including those who do not receive a notice in the mail, may view the notice and appraisal information for their properties online at www.sedgwickcounty.org. Property owners also may print notices from the website, which will include appeal information.

Excluding new construction and properties that changed use:

- Of the approximate 171,000 residential parcels, 13,700 (8 percent) increased in value; 49,600 (29 percent) decreased in value; and 107,700 (63 percent) remained the same. The median increase for residential property is 6 percent.
- Of the approximate 24,000 commercial parcels, 5,500 (23 percent) increased in

value; 4,300 (18 percent) decreased in value; and 14,200 (59 percent) remained the same. The median increase for commercial property is 5.5 percent.

- Of the approximate 25,000 agricultural parcels, 12,500 (50 percent) increased in value; 2,500 (10 percent) decreased in value; and 10,000 (40 percent) remained the same. The median increase for agricultural property is 6 percent.

Residents with questions regarding the new process and valuation notices may visit www.sedgwickcounty.org or call 660-9110 for more information.

Attached: 2013 real property valuation notice fact sheet.

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