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NEW CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

A/P Contact _____ Phone Number _____

Fed ID Number _____

Tax Exempt/Resale- Please Attach Forms

Type Of Company - ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ DBA

ARE YOU A DISTRIBUTER? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IMS CUSTOMER# _____

☐ COD

CREDIT CARD ☐ MC ☐ VISA ☐ AMEX ☐ DISCOVER

Card Holder Name _____

Account Number _____ Security Code _____

Expiration _____

Please note card will be kept on file for future purchases

Email to send receipts to _____



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CREDIT APPLICATION

Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Fed ID Number _____

Tax Exempt/Resale- Please Attach Forms

Type Of Company - ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ DBA

Years In Business _____ Annual Sales _____

Owners/Officers _____

A/P Contact _____ Credit Line Needed \$ _____

A/P Phone# _____ A/P Email Address _____

REFERENCES

Bank Name & Address _____

Bank Contact & Phone Number _____

Trade References (Please Include Email)

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Are You A Distributor ☐ YES ☐ NO

The above information is for the purpose of obtaining credit and is warranted to be true
I/We hereby authorize TLF Graphics to investigate the references listed, pertaining to
my/our credit and financial responsibility. Our terms are Net 30 Days.

Company Officer _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____



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CREDIT CARD APPLICATION

Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

A/P Contact _____ Phone Number _____

Fed ID Number _____

Tax Exempt/Resale - Please Attach Forms

Type Of Company - ☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ DBA

Are You A Distributor ☐ YES ☐ NO

IMS Customer# _____

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE CREDIT CARD

Name _____

Company _____

Invoice/REF# _____

Card Number _____ Exp _____

Security Code _____

Name As It Appears On Card _____

Email Address to send receipts to: _____

I/We agree that the credit card listed may be charged by TLF Graphics for the payment of products or services referenced above. Please note, card will be kept on file for future purchases.

Company Officer _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____



Department of Taxation and Finance
New York State and Local Sales and Use Tax
Resale Certificate

ST-120
(6/18)

Name of seller	Name of purchaser
Street address	Street address
City State ZIP code	City State ZIP code

Mark an **X** in the appropriate box: ☐ Single-use certificate ☐ Blanket certificate
Temporary vendors must issue a single-use certificate.

To the purchaser:

You may not use this certificate to purchase items or services that are not for resale. If you purchase tangible personal property or services for resale, but use or consume the tangible personal property or services yourself in New York State, you must report and pay the unpaid tax directly to New York State. Any misuse of this certificate will result in tax liabilities and substantial penalty and interest.

Purchaser information – please type or print

I am engaged in the business of _____ and principally sell _____
(Contractors may not use this certificate to purchase materials and supplies.)

Part 1 – To be completed by registered New York State sales tax vendors

I certify that I am:

- ☐ a New York State vendor (including a hotel operator or a dues or admissions recipient), show vendor or entertainment vendor. My valid *Certificate of Authority* number is _____
- ☐ a New York State temporary vendor. My valid *Certificate of Authority* number is _____ and expires on _____

I am purchasing:

- ☐ **A.** Tangible personal property (other than motor fuel or diesel motor fuel)
- for resale in its present form or for resale as a physical component part of tangible personal property;
 - for use in performing taxable services where the property will become a physical component part of the property upon which the services will be performed, or the property will actually be transferred to the purchaser of the taxable service in conjunction with the performance of the service; or
- ☐ **B.** A service for resale, including the servicing of tangible personal property held for sale.
- ☐ **C.** Restaurant-type food, heated food, or heated drink for resale.

Part 2 – To be completed by non-New York State purchasers

I certify that I am not registered nor am I required to be registered as a New York State sales tax vendor. I am registered to collect sales tax or value added tax (VAT) in the following state/jurisdiction _____ and have been issued the following registration number _____ (If sales tax or VAT registration is not required and a registration number is not issued by your home jurisdiction, indicate the location of your business and write **not applicable** on the line requesting the registration number.)

I am purchasing:

- ☐ **D.** Tangible personal property (other than motor fuel or diesel motor fuel) for resale, and it is being delivered directly by the seller to my customer or to an unaffiliated fulfillment services provider in New York State.
- ☐ **E.** Tangible personal property for resale that will be resold from a business located outside New York State.

Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements and issue this exemption certificate with the knowledge that this document provides evidence that state and local sales or use taxes do not apply to a transaction or transactions for which I tendered this document and that willfully issuing this document with the intent to evade any such tax may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence. I understand that this document is required to be filed with, and delivered to, the vendor as agent for the Tax Department for the purposes of Tax Law section 1838 and is deemed a document required to be filed with the Tax Department for the purpose of prosecution of offenses. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of tax exclusions or exemptions claimed and the accuracy of any information entered on this document.

Type or print name and title of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchaser	
Signature of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchaser	Date prepared

Substantial penalties will result from misuse of this certificate.

Instructions

New: Effective June 1, 2018, use box C in Part 1 to purchase restaurant-type food or drink for resale. For more information, see [TSB-M-18\(1\)S](#), *Summary of Sales and Use Tax Changes Enacted in the 2018-2019 Budget Bill*.

Form ST-120, *Resale Certificate*, is a sales tax exemption certificate.

This certificate is only for use by a purchaser who:

- A** – is registered as a New York State sales tax vendor and has a valid *Certificate of Authority* issued by the Tax Department and is making purchases of tangible personal property (other than motor fuel or diesel motor fuel) or services that will be resold or transferred to the purchaser's customers, **or**
- B** – is not required to be registered with the New York State Tax Department;
 - is registered with another state, the District of Columbia, a province of Canada, or other country, or is located in a state, province, or country which does not require sellers to register for sales tax or VAT purposes; and
 - is purchasing items for resale that will be either:
 - 1) delivered by the seller to the purchaser's customer or to an unaffiliated fulfillment service provider located in New York State, **or**
 - 2) delivered to the purchaser in New York State, but resold from a business located outside the state.

Note: For purposes of 1) above, delivery by the seller includes delivery in the seller's own vehicle or by common carrier, regardless of who arranges for the transportation.

Non-New York State purchasers: registration requirements

If, among other things, a purchaser has any place of business or salespeople in New York State, or owns or leases tangible personal property in the State, the purchaser is required to be registered for New York State sales tax.

A business must register (unless the business can rebut the statutory presumption as described in TSB-M-08(3.1)S, *Additional Information on How Sellers May Rebut the New Presumption Applicable to the Definition of Sales Tax Vendor as Described in TSB-M-08(3)S*) for New York State sales tax if the business enters into agreements with residents of New York State under which the residents receive consideration for referring potential customers to the business by links on a Web site or otherwise, and the value of the sales in New York State made by the business through those agreements totals more than \$10,000 in the preceding four sales tax quarters. See TSB-M-08(3)S, *New Presumption Applicable to Definition of Sales Tax Vendor*, and TSB-M-08(3.1)S.

Also see TSB-M-09(3)S, *Definition of a Sales Tax Vendor is Expanded to Include Out-of-State Sellers with Related Businesses in New York State*, for information on sales tax registration requirements for out-of-state businesses with New York affiliates.

A purchaser who is not otherwise required to be registered for New York State sales tax may purchase fulfillment services from an **unaffiliated** New York fulfillment service provider and have its tangible personal property located on the premises of the provider without being required to be registered for sales tax in New York State.

If you need help determining if you are required to register because you engage in activity in New York State, contact the department (see *Need help?*).

If you meet the registration requirements and engage in business activities in New York State without possessing a valid *Certificate of Authority*, you will be subject to penalty of up to \$500 for the first day on which you make a sale or purchase, and up to \$200 for each additional day, up to a maximum of \$10,000.

Limitations on use

Contractors **cannot** use this certificate. They must either:

- issue Form ST-120.1, *Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate*, if the tangible personal property being purchased qualifies for exemption as specified by the certificate, **or**
- issue Form AU-297, *Direct Payment Permit*, **or**
- pay sales tax at the time of purchase.

Contractors are entitled to a refund or credit of sales tax paid on materials used in repairing, servicing or maintaining real property, if the materials are transferred to the purchaser of the taxable service in conjunction with the performance of the service. For additional information, see Publication 862,

Sales and Use Tax Classifications of Capital Improvements and Repairs to Real Property.

To the Purchaser

Enter all the information requested on the front of this form.

You may mark an **X** in the *Blanket certificate* box to cover all purchases of the same general type of property or service purchased for resale. If you do not mark an **X** in the *Blanket certificate* box, the certificate will be deemed a *Single-use certificate*. Temporary vendors may not issue a blanket certificate. A *temporary vendor* is a vendor (other than a show or entertainment vendor), who, in no more than two consecutive quarters in any 12-month period, makes sales of tangible personal property or services that are subject to tax.

This certificate does not exempt prepaid sales tax on cigarettes. This certificate may not be used to purchase motor fuel or diesel motor fuel.

Misuse of this certificate

Misuse of this exemption certificate may subject you to serious civil and criminal sanctions in addition to the payment of any tax and interest due. These include:

- A penalty equal to 100% of the tax due;
- A \$50 penalty for each fraudulent exemption certificate issued;
- Criminal felony prosecution, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence; and
- Revocation of your *Certificate of Authority*, if you are required to be registered as a vendor. See TSB-M-09(17)S, *Amendments that Encourage Compliance with the Tax Law and Enhance the Tax Department's Enforcement Ability*, for more information.

To the Seller

If you are a New York State registered vendor and accept an exemption document, you will be protected from liability for the tax, if the certificate is valid.

The certificate will be considered valid if it was:

- accepted in good faith;
- in the vendor's possession within 90 days of the transaction; and
- properly completed (all required entries were made).

A certificate is accepted in good faith when a seller has no knowledge that the exemption certificate is false or is fraudulently given, and reasonable ordinary due care is exercised in the acceptance of the certificate.

You must get a properly completed exemption certificate from your customer no later than 90 days after the delivery of the property or the performance of the service. When you receive a certificate after the 90 days, both you and the purchaser are subject to the burden of proving that the sale was exempt, and additional documentation may be required. An exemption certificate received on time that is not properly completed will be considered satisfactory if the deficiency is corrected within a reasonable period. You must also maintain a method of associating an invoice (or other source document) for an exempt sale made to a customer with the exemption certificate you have on file from that customer.

Invalid exemption certificates – Sales transactions which are not supported by valid exemption certificates are deemed to be taxable retail sales. The burden of proof that the tax was not required to be collected is upon the seller.

Retention of exemption certificates - You must keep this certificate for at least three years after the due date of the return to which it relates, or the date the return was filed, if later.

Need help?



Visit our website at **www.tax.ny.gov**

- get information and manage your taxes online
- check for new online services and features

Telephone assistance

Sales Tax Information Center: 518-485-2889

To order forms and publications: 518-457-5431

Text Telephone (TTY) or TDD equipment users: Dial 7-1-1 for the New York Relay Service



Exempt Use Certificate

ST-121

(1/11)

Pages 1 and 2 must be completed by the purchaser and given to the seller

The purchase I am making is exempt from state and local sales and use taxes because the property or service(s) will be used for the exempt purpose indicated below and as explained in the instructions.

Name of seller	Name of purchaser
Street address	Street address
City State ZIP code	City State ZIP code

Mark an **X** in the appropriate box: ☐ Single-purchase certificate ☐ Blanket certificate

This form cannot be used to purchase motor fuel or diesel motor fuel exempt from tax except as described in the instructions for item U on page 4.

Please read the instructions on pages 3 and 4 for more information on each exemption, and mark an X in the applicable box(es) next to the exemption(s) you are claiming.

Part 1 — Exemptions related to production

Purchases described in items A through F are exempt from all state and local sales and use taxes. Except as described in item C, you must have a *Certificate of Authority* to claim the exemptions listed in Part 1.

- ☐ **A.** Machinery and equipment, parts, tools, and supplies used or consumed in the production of tangible personal property for sale or in the production of gas, electricity, refrigeration, or steam, for sale. Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
- ☐ **B.** Tangible personal property used or consumed in the production of a film for sale. Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
- ☐ **C.** Tangible personal property used or consumed in providing telecommunications or Internet access services for sale. Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
If you are engaged exclusively in providing Internet access services for sale, a *Certificate of Authority* is not required when claiming this exemption; however, if you have a *Certificate of Authority*, enter the number in the space provided.
- ☐ **D.** Machinery, equipment, or other tangible personal property (including parts, tools, and supplies) used or consumed by television or radio broadcasters in the production or transmission of live or recorded programs which are used by the broadcaster for specified purposes. Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
- ☐ **E.** Purchases of gas or electricity or gas or electric service used to provide gas or electric service consisting of operating a gas pipeline, an electric transmission line, or a gas or electric distribution line. Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
- ☐ **F.** Purchases of the following used or consumed in the production of tangible personal property (or a film, regardless as to the means by which the film is conveyed) for sale (mark an **X** in one or more boxes):
- ☐ fuel ☐ gas ☐ electricity
- ☐ refrigeration ☐ steam
- ☐ gas, electric, refrigeration, or steam service
- Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____
- Purchases described in item G are exempt from all state and local sales and use taxes when delivered or used outside New York City, but subject to New York City local sales and use tax when delivered or used in New York City.**
- ☐ **G.** Purchases of the following used or consumed in the production of gas, electricity, refrigeration, or steam for sale (mark an **X** in one or more boxes):
- ☐ fuel ☐ gas ☐ electricity
- ☐ refrigeration ☐ steam
- ☐ gas, electric, refrigeration, or steam service
- Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here _____

Note: This certificate is not valid unless the purchaser completes the certification on page 2.

Part 2 — Services exempt from tax (exempt from all state and local sales and use taxes)Enter *Certificate of Authority* number here (if applicable) _____

- ☐ **H.** Installing, repairing, maintaining, or servicing qualifying property listed in Part 1, items A through D. Please indicate the type of qualifying property being serviced by marking an **X** in the applicable box(es):
A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐
- ☐ **I.** Producing, fabricating, processing, printing, and imprinting, including editing, dubbing, and mixing, qualifying property listed in Part 1, items B and D. Please indicate the type of qualifying property being serviced by marking an **X** in the applicable box(es): **B** ☐ **D** ☐
- ☐ **J.** Removal of waste material from a facility regulated by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as either a transfer station or as a construction and demolition debris processing facility.

Part 3 — Other exemptions

A *Certificate of Authority* is not required when claiming the exemptions described below. However, if you have a *Certificate of Authority*, enter the number here _____

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|---|--|
| <p><input type="checkbox"/> K. Tangible personal property used in research and development.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> L. Purchases of the following used in research and development (mark an X in one or more boxes):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> gas <input type="checkbox"/> electricity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> refrigeration <input type="checkbox"/> steam</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> gas, electric, refrigeration, or steam service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> M. Cartons, containers, and other wrapping and packaging materials and supplies that are actually transferred to the purchaser.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N. Certified enhanced emissions inspection equipment for testing and inspecting motor vehicles. Enter your inspection station license number here _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> O. Commercial vessels (including certain property and services).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> P. Commercial aircraft (including certain machinery and equipment) and flight simulators purchased by commercial airlines.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Q. Commercial fishing vessels (including certain property).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> R. Pollution control equipment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> S. Tangible personal property (including lubricants) used in the services of maintenance, service, repair, or installation performed on any aircraft by such person providing such service.</p> <p>Purchases described in item T are subject to New York City local sales tax.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> T. Machinery and equipment used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at a qualified marine terminal facility in New York City.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> U. Other — Describe exempt use and identify the section of the Tax Law covering this exemption (<i>see instructions</i>).</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div> |
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Certification: I certify that the above statements are true, complete, and correct, and that no material information has been omitted. I make these statements and issue this exemption certificate with the knowledge that this document provides evidence that state and local sales or use taxes do not apply to a transaction or transactions for which I tendered this document and that willfully issuing this document with the intent to evade any such tax may constitute a felony or other crime under New York State Law, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence. I understand that this document is required to be filed with, and delivered to, the vendor as agent for the Tax Department for the purposes of Tax Law section 1838 and is deemed a document required to be filed with the Tax Department for the purpose of prosecution of offenses. I also understand that the Tax Department is authorized to investigate the validity of tax exclusions or exemptions claimed and the accuracy of any information entered on this document.

Type or print name and title of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchaser	
Signature of owner, partner, or authorized person of purchaser	Date prepared

Instructions

To the purchaser

If you have a valid *Certificate of Authority*, you may use Form ST-121 to purchase, rent, or lease tangible personal property or services exempt from tax to the extent indicated in these instructions. Complete all required entries on the form and give it to the seller.

You may use Form ST-121 as a blanket certificate covering the first and subsequent purchases of the same general type of property or service. However, each subsequent sales slip or purchase invoice (excluding utility bills) based on this blanket certificate must show your name, address, and *Certificate of Authority* identification number.

If you make further purchases from the seller that do not qualify for the exemption, you must pay the appropriate sales tax at the time of purchase.

As used in this document, the term *predominantly* means that the property or service(s) is used more than 50% of the time directly for the purpose stated in the particular section. The term *exclusively* means that the property or service(s) is used 100% of the time directly for the purpose stated in the particular section. The term *primarily* means that the property or service(s) is used 50% or more of the time directly for the purpose stated in the particular section.

Part 1 — Exemptions related to production

Except as described in item C, you must have a *Certificate of Authority* to claim the exemptions listed in Part 1.

A — You may purchase, exempt from tax, machinery and equipment, including parts, tools, and supplies, used or consumed **directly** and **predominantly** in the production of tangible personal property, gas, electricity, refrigeration, or steam for sale by manufacturing, processing, generating, assembling, refining, mining, or extracting. For more information on these various production exemptions, see Publication 852, *Sales Tax Information for: Manufacturers, Processors, Generators, Assemblers, Refiners, Miners and Extractors, and Other Producers of Goods and Merchandise*.

B — You may purchase, exempt from tax, tangible personal property used **directly** and **predominantly** in the production (including editing, dubbing, and mixing) of a film for sale regardless of the medium by which the film is conveyed to the purchaser. (For purposes of this exemption, the term *film* means feature films, documentary films, shorts, television films, television commercials, and similar productions.)

C — You may purchase, exempt from tax, tangible personal property used **directly** and **predominantly** in the receiving, initiating, amplifying, processing, transmitting, retransmitting, switching, or monitoring of switching of telecommunications services for sale, or Internet access services for sale, or any combination of the two services. If you are engaged exclusively in providing Internet access services for sale, a *Certificate of Authority* is not required when claiming this exemption; however, if you have a *Certificate of Authority*, enter the number in the space provided on page 1.

D — You may purchase, exempt from tax, machinery, equipment, or other tangible personal property (including parts, tools, and supplies) used or consumed by television or radio broadcasters **directly** and **predominantly** in the production (including post-production) of live or recorded programs which are used or consumed by a broadcaster predominantly for the purpose of broadcast over the air by the broadcaster or for transmission through a cable television or direct-broadcast satellite system by the broadcaster. You may also purchase, exempt from tax, machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal property (including parts, tools, and supplies) used or consumed **directly** and **predominantly** in the transmission of live or recorded programs over the air or through a cable television or direct-broadcast satellite system by the broadcaster. Tangible personal property purchased by a broadcaster (lessor) for lease to another person (lessee) for that person's use or consumption directly and predominantly in the production (including post production) of live or recorded programs by the person will be deemed to be used or consumed by the lessor broadcaster for purposes of determining whether the lessor broadcaster has met the direct and predominant use requirement of the exemption described in the above sentence. (For more information concerning this exemption, see TSB-M-00(6)S, *Summary of the 2000 Sales and Compensating Use Tax Budget Legislation*.)

E — You may purchase, exempt from tax, gas or electricity or gas or electric service used or consumed **directly** and **exclusively** to provide

gas or electric service of whatever nature consisting of operating a gas pipeline, a gas distribution line, or an electric transmission or distribution line or to ensure the necessary working pressure in an underground gas storage facility.

F — You may purchase, exempt from tax, fuel, gas, electricity, refrigeration, and steam and gas, electric, refrigeration, and steam service used or consumed **directly** and **exclusively** in the production of tangible personal property (or a film, regardless as to the means by which the film is conveyed) for sale, by manufacturing, processing, assembling, generating, refining, mining, or extracting. You must pay any state and local taxes due on any part of any fuel or utility service not used directly and exclusively for an exempt purpose. For example, electricity purchased solely to light a factory must be purchased tax paid, but electricity used for both an exempt purpose and a taxable purpose may be purchased exempt from tax. However, you must report the tax due on the electricity used for the taxable purpose on your sales and use tax return as a purchase subject to tax.

G — You may purchase, exempt from tax (except for the local tax imposed on sales and uses in New York City), fuel, gas, electricity, refrigeration, and steam and gas, electric, refrigeration, and steam service used or consumed **directly** and **exclusively** in the production of gas, electricity, refrigeration, and steam for sale by manufacturing, processing, assembling, generating, refining, mining, or extracting. You must pay any state and local taxes due on any part of any fuel or utility service not used directly and exclusively for an exempt purpose.

Part 2 — Services exempt from tax

H — You may purchase the services of installing, repairing, maintaining, and servicing qualifying property listed in Part 1, items A through D, exempt from tax.

I — You may purchase the services of producing, fabricating, processing, printing, and imprinting, including editing, dubbing, and mixing, qualifying property listed in Part 1, items B and D, exempt from tax.

J — If you are a facility regulated by the DEC as either a transfer station or construction and demolition debris processing facility, you may purchase the service of waste removal exempt from tax, provided that the waste is not generated by your facility. Under the DEC regulations, a *transfer station* is defined generally as a solid waste management facility other than a recyclables handling and recovery facility, used oil facility, or a construction and demolition debris processing facility, where solid waste is received for the purpose of subsequent transfer to another solid waste management facility for further processing, treating, transfer, or disposal. A *construction and demolition debris processing facility* is a processing facility that receives and processes construction and demolition debris by any means.

Part 3 — Other exemptions

A *Certificate of Authority* is not required when claiming the exemptions described in Part 3 on page 2. However, if you have a *Certificate of Authority*, enter the number in the space provided on page 2.

K — Tangible personal property used or consumed **directly** and **predominantly** in research and development in the experimental or laboratory sense is exempt from tax.

L — Gas, electricity, refrigeration, and steam, and gas, electric, refrigeration, and steam service used or consumed **directly** and **exclusively** in research and development in the experimental or laboratory sense may be purchased exempt from tax.

Research and development does not include the ordinary testing or inspection of materials or products for quality control, efficiency surveys, management studies, consumer surveys, advertising, promotions, or research in connection with literary, historical, or similar projects.

M — Vendors may purchase, exempt from tax, cartons, containers, and other wrapping and packaging materials and supplies and components thereof used to package tangible personal property for sale if the property is actually transferred by the vendor to the purchaser of the property.

N — Enhanced emissions inspection equipment certified by the DEC for use in testing and inspecting motor vehicles as part of the enhanced emissions inspection and maintenance program required by the Federal Clean Air Act and the New York State Clean Air Compliance Act may be purchased without payment of tax. To qualify for the exemption, the equipment must be purchased and used by an official inspection station which is licensed by the Department of Motor Vehicles and authorized to conduct enhanced emissions inspections. (For more

information about enhanced emissions inspection equipment, see TSB-M-97(8)S, *Enhanced Emissions Inspection Equipment*.)

O — Commercial vessels, including property used by or purchased for the use of these vessels for fuel, provisions, supplies, maintenance, and repairs, and the services of installing, maintaining, servicing, or repairing these vessels or property, may be purchased exempt from tax. To qualify for the exemption, the commercial vessel must be **primarily** engaged in interstate or foreign commerce. The exemption does **not** apply to property purchased for or used in the original equipping of a new ship, or to the services of installing this property in the equipping of a new ship. (For the definition of commercial vessels and other information concerning this exemption, see TSB-M-96(14)S, *Tax Law Defines Commercial Vessels and Commercial Aircraft*.)

P — Commercial aircraft and machinery or equipment to be installed on this aircraft, property used for maintenance or repair of this aircraft, and flight simulators purchased by commercial airlines may be purchased exempt from tax. To qualify for the exemption, the commercial aircraft must be **primarily** engaged in intrastate, interstate, or foreign commerce. (For the definition of commercial aircraft and other information concerning this exemption, see TSB-M-96(14)S.)

Q — Commercial fishing vessels used **directly** and **predominantly** in the harvesting of fish for sale (other than sport fishing vessels), including property used by or purchased for the use of these vessels for fuel, provisions, supplies, maintenance, and repairs may be purchased exempt from tax. (For the definition of commercial fishing vessels and other information concerning this exemption, see TSB-M-85(17)S, *1985 Legislation - Chapter 799 Sales Tax Exemption for Commercial Fishing Vessels*.)

R — If not otherwise exempt, machinery and equipment used **directly** and **predominantly** in the control, prevention, or abatement of pollution or contaminants from manufacturing or industrial facilities may be purchased exempt from tax.

S — Tangible personal property purchased and used in the services of maintenance, service, repair or installation performed on any aircraft, where such property is purchased by the person providing such services and it becomes a physical component part of the aircraft or is a lubricant applied to the aircraft, is exempt from tax.

T — Machinery and equipment used at qualified marine terminal facilities located in New York City. The machinery and equipment must be used directly and predominantly in loading, unloading, and handling cargo at marine terminal facilities located in New York City which handled more than 350,000 twenty foot equivalent units (TEUs) in 2003. For purposes of this exemption, the term *TEU* means a unit of volume equivalent to the volume of a twenty-foot container. This exemption does **not** apply to the local tax in New York City.

U — Use this line to claim exemption from all sales and use taxes on qualified tangible personal property or services not otherwise specified in this certificate. Describe the exempt use of the tangible personal property or service being purchased, and identify the applicable section of the Tax Law under which you claim exemption.

If you are purchasing motor fuel or diesel motor fuel eligible to be taxed on a cents-per-gallon basis, write **Tax Law section 1111(m) qualified fuel taxed using the cents-per-gallon method** in the space provided. See TSB-M-06(8)S, *New Guidelines on the Sales of Motor Fuel and Diesel Motor Fuel Subject to the Cents-Per-Gallon Sales Tax*, for additional information.

Line access services purchased by an Internet Service Provider (ISP) and used for transmission between the ISP point of presence and the public Internet for the purpose of connecting the ISP's customers to the Internet are purchases of interstate or international telephony and thus are not subject to sales tax. If you are an ISP purchasing line access services to use in this manner, write **telecommunications services used by an ISP to provide Internet access originating with the ISP point of presence (Tax Law section 1105 (b)(1))** in the space provided. See TSB-M-07(2)S, *Sales Tax Treatment of Telecommunications Services Purchased By an Internet Service Provider*, for additional information.

Certain military decorations, including ribbons, medals, mini-medals, and lapel pins, are exempt from sales tax when sold to an active member or a veteran of the United States military. If you are purchasing tax-exempt military decorations, write **military decoration – Tax Law section 1115 (a)(11-a)** in the space provided. The Tax Law provides

that you must also show the vendor your military identification or other documentation (such as discharge papers) as proof of current military service or veteran status. However, the vendor is not required to retain a copy of this proof.

To the seller

The purchaser must give you Form ST-121 with all entries completed no later than 90 days after delivery of the property, or the sale will be deemed to have been taxable at the time of the transaction. If you receive the certificate after the 90-day period, both you and the purchaser assume the burden of proving the sale was exempt, and additional substantiation may be required.

In addition, if you fail to collect tax as a result of accepting an improperly completed exemption certificate, you become personally liable for the tax plus any penalty and interest charges due, unless the certificate is corrected within a reasonable period of time or you otherwise prove that the transaction was not subject to tax. You must keep any exemption certificate you receive for at least three years after the due date of the last return to which it relates, or the date the return is filed, if later. You must also maintain a method of associating an exempt sale made to a particular customer with the exemption certificate you have on file for that customer.

If the *Blanket certificate* box is marked on page 1, you may consider this certificate part of any order received from the purchaser during the period that the blanket certificate remains in effect. However, each subsequent sales slip or purchase invoice based on this blanket certificate must show the purchaser's name and address. A blanket certificate remains in effect until the purchaser gives you written notice of revocation, or you have knowledge that the certificate is false or was fraudulently presented, or until the Tax Department notifies you that the purchaser may not make exempt purchases.

Misuse of this certificate

Misuse of this exemption certificate may subject you to serious civil and criminal sanctions in addition to the payment of any tax and interest due. These include:

- A penalty equal to 100% of the tax due;
- A \$50 penalty for each fraudulent exemption certificate issued;
- Criminal felony prosecution, punishable by a substantial fine and a possible jail sentence; and
- Revocation of your *Certificate of Authority*, if you are required to be registered as a vendor. See TSB-M-09(17)S, *Amendments that Encourage Compliance with the Tax Law and Enhance the Tax Department's Enforcement Ability*, for more information.

Privacy notification

The Commissioner of Taxation and Finance may collect and maintain personal information pursuant to the New York State Tax Law, including but not limited to, sections 5-a, 171, 171-a, 287, 308, 429, 475, 505, 697, 1096, 1142, and 1415 of that Law; and may require disclosure of social security numbers pursuant to 42 USC 405(c)(2)(C)(i).

This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

This information is maintained by the Manager of Document Management, NYS Tax Department, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227; telephone (518) 457-5181.

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PENNSYLVANIA EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

- ☐ STATE AND LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX
- ☐ STATE 6% AND LOCAL 1% HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX
- ☐ PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE TAXES AND FEES (PTA)
- ☐ VEHICLE RENTAL TAX (VRT)
- ☐ *ADDITIONAL LOCAL, CITY, COUNTY HOTEL TAX **

This form cannot be used to obtain a Sales Tax License ID, PTA License ID or Exempt Status.

(Please Print or Type)

**Read Instructions
On Reverse Carefully**

THIS FORM MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED – VOID UNLESS COMPLETE INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED

CHECK ONE: ☐ **PENNSYLVANIA TAX UNIT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE** (USE FOR ONE TRANSACTION)
☐ **PENNSYLVANIA TAX BLANKET EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE** (USE FOR MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS)

Name of Seller, Vendor or Lessor

Street

City

State

ZIP Code

NOTE: Do not use this form for claiming an exemption on the registration of a vehicle. To claim an exemption from tax for a motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer or tractor with the PA Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, use one of the following forms:

FORM MV-1, Application for Certificate of Title (first-time registrations)

FORM MV-4ST, Vehicle Sales and Use Tax Return/Application for Registration (other registrations)

Property and services purchased or leased using this certificate **are exempt** from tax because: (Select the appropriate paragraph from the back of this form, check the corresponding block below and insert information requested).

- ☐ 1. Property or services will be used directly and predominately by purchaser in performing purchaser's operation of: _____
- ☐ 2. Purchaser is a/an: _____ holding Sales Tax Exemption Number _____
- ☐ 3. Property will be resold under License ID _____ (If purchaser does not have a PA Sales Tax License ID, include a statement under Number 8 explaining why a number is not required).
- ☐ 4. Property or services will be used directly and predominately by purchaser performing a public utility service.
☐ PA Public Utility Commission PUC Number _____ and/or ☐ U.S. Department of Transportation MC/MX _____
- ☐ 5. Exempt wrapping supplies, License ID _____ (If purchaser does not have a PA Sales Tax License ID, include a statement under Number 8 explaining why a number is not required).
- ☐ 6. Canned computer software purchased by a financial institution subject to the Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax (Article VII) or the Mutual Thrift Institutions Tax (Article XV).
- ☐ 7. Canned computer software licenses that are billed to a PA address but used outside of PA. The total number of software licenses purchased for invoice # _____ is _____. The total number of users accessing and using the software outside PA is _____.
- ☐ 8. Other _____
 (Explain in detail. Additional space on reverse side).

I am authorized to execute this certificate and claim this exemption. Misuse of this certificate by seller, lessor, buyer, lessee or their representative is punishable by fine and imprisonment.

Name of Purchaser or Lessee

Signature

EIN

Date

Street

City

State

ZIP Code

1. ACCEPTANCE AND VALIDITY:

For this certificate to be valid, the seller/lessor shall exercise good faith in accepting this certificate, which includes: (1) the certificate shall be completed properly; (2) the certificate shall be in the seller/lessor's possession within 60 days from the date of sale/lease; (3) the certificate does not contain information which is knowingly false; and (4) the property or service is consistent with the exemption to which the customer is entitled. For more information, refer to Exemption Certificates, Title 61 PA Code §32.2. An invalid certificate may subject the seller/lessor to the tax.

2. REPRODUCTION OF FORM:

This form may be reproduced but shall contain the same information as appears on this form.

3. RETENTION:

The seller or lessor must retain this certificate for at least four years from the date of the exempt sale to which the certificate applies.



IMPORTANT: DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE PA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

4. NONPROFIT EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS:

This form may be used in conjunction with form REV-1715, Exempt Organization Declaration of Sales Tax Exemption, when a purchase of \$200 or more is made by an organization which is registered with the PA Department of Revenue as an exempt organization. These organizations are assigned an exemption number, beginning with the two digits 75 (example: 75000000).

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Those purchasers set forth below may use this form in connection with the claim for exemption for the following taxes:

- a. State and local sales and use tax;
- b. PTA rental fee or tax on leases of motor vehicles;
- c. Hotel occupancy tax (state 6%, Philadelphia 1%, Allegheny 1%) if referenced with the symbol (●);
- d. PTA fee on the purchase of tires if referenced with the symbol (+);
- e. Vehicle rental tax (VRT).

EXEMPTION REASONS

- 1.) Property and/or services will be used directly and predominately by purchaser in performing purchaser's operation of:
- A. Manufacturing
 - B. Mining
 - C. Dairying
 - D. Processing
 - E. Farming
 - F. Shipbuilding
 - G. Timbering

This exemption is not valid for property or services used in: (a) constructing, repairing or remodeling of real property, other than real property used directly in exempt operations; or (b) maintenance, managerial, administrative, supervisory, sales, delivery, warehousing or other nonoperational activities. This exemption is not valid for vehicles that are required to be registered under the Vehicle Code, as well as supplies and repair parts for such vehicles, the PTA tire fee, and certain taxable services.

- 2.) Purchaser is a/an:
- + A. Instrumentality of the commonwealth (to include public schools and state universities).
 - + B. Political subdivision of the commonwealth (includes townships and boroughs).
 - + ● C. Municipal authority created under the Municipality Authorities Acts.
 - + ● D. Electric cooperative corporations created under the Electric Cooperative Law of 1990.
 - E. Cooperative agricultural associations required to pay corporate net income tax under the Cooperative Agricultural Association Corporate Net Income Tax Act (exemption not valid for registered vehicles).
 - + ● F. Credit unions organized under Federal Credit Union Act or Commonwealth Credit Union Act.
 - + ● G. U.S. government, its agencies and instrumentalities.
 - H. Federal employee on official business (exemption limited to hotel occupancy tax only. A copy of orders or statement from supervisor must be attached to this certificate).
 - I. School bus operator (This exemption certificate is limited to the purchase of parts, repairs or maintenance services upon vehicles licensed as school buses by the PA Department of Transportation).
 - J. Charter Schools and Community Colleges.

Renewable Entities beginning with "75":

- K. Religious Organization
- L. Nonprofit Educational Institution
- M. Charitable Organization

Permanent Exemptions beginning with the two numbers "75":

- N. Volunteer Fire Company
- O. Relief Association

Special Exemptions

- P. Direct Pay Permit Holder
- Q. Individual Holding Diplomatic ID

- R. Keystone Opportunity Zone (beginning with two digit 72 account number)
- S. Tourist Promotion Agency

Exemptions for exempt organizations K through S are limited to purchases of tangible personal property or services for use and not for sale. Exempt organizations K - O above, shall have an sales tax exemption certificate number assigned by the PA Department of Revenue. Exempt organizations K-O above, are not exempt for purchases used for the following: (1) constructions, improvement, repair or maintenance or any real property, except supplies and materials used for routine repair or maintenance of the real property; (2) any unrelated activities or operation of a public trade or business; or (3) equipment used to maintain real property.

- 3.) Property and/or services will be resold or rented in the ordinary course of purchaser's business. If purchaser does not have a PA Sales Tax License ID (8 digit number assigned by the department), complete Number 8 explaining why such number is not required. This exemption is valid for property or services to be resold: (1) in original form; or (2) as an ingredient or component of other property.
- 4.) Property or services will be used directly and predominately by purchaser in the production, delivery or rendition of public utility services as defined by the PA Utility Code.
- This exemption is not valid for property or services used for the following: (1) construction, improvement, repair or maintenance of real property, other than real property used directly in rendering the public utility services; or (2) managerial, administrative, supervisor, sales or other nonoperational activities; or (3) vehicles, as well as supplies and repair parts for such vehicles, unless the predominant use is for providing a common carrier service; or (4) tools and equipment used but not installed in maintenance of facilities or direct use equipment. Tools and equipment used to repair "direct use" property are exempt from tax.
- 5.) Vendor/seller purchasing wrapping supplies and nonreturnable containers used to wrap property which is sold to others.
- 6.) Canned computer software or services to canned computer software directly utilized in conducting the business of banking purchased by a financial institution subject to the Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax (Article VII) or the Mutual Thrift Institutions Tax (Article XV).
- 7.) Seller is required to collect tax on canned software accessed remotely when the user is located in PA. If the billing address is a PA address, the presumption is that all users are located in PA. Purchaser is responsible for apportioning and remitting the tax due to each taxing jurisdiction and must provide the total number of licenses purchased and the number of those licenses used outside PA on Line 8. Please note that any unused licenses will be considered to be allocated to PA.
- 8.) Other (Attach a separate sheet of paper if more space is required).

** Employees or representatives of the Commonwealth traveling on Commonwealth duty are exempt from any taxes on hotel stays or room rentals imposed by local governments that are in addition to the 6% state tax and the 1% Philadelphia and Allegheny County hotel occupancy tax.*