

**ALTERNATING CURRENT TRANSMISSION LINES  
MONTANA PROPERTY TAX CLASSIFICATION AND ABATEMENT CERTIFICATION FORM**

Montana Department of Environmental Quality  
Clean and Green Certification  
Energy Planning and Renewables Section  
P.O. Box 200901  
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Submit one (1) signed copy (paper or electronic) to the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (Department) at the above address. The Department will determine the completeness of the application within 30 days after receipt and notify the applicant in writing of the Department's decision. The Department will issue the certification or deny the application within 60 days of the completeness determination. Please contact the Department if you have any questions or need assistance.



**CERTIFICATION REQUEST**

Select the appropriate property tax certification being requested (check all that apply):

- Class Fourteen Property Tax Eligibility Certification
- Tax Abatement Eligibility Certification

Select the appropriate property tax certification being requested (check one):

- New Alternating Current Transmission Line Certification
- Update to Alternating Current Transmission Line

**NAMES AND ADDRESSES**

**Applicant Information**

**Contact Information**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person : \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TRANSMISSION LINE INFORMATION**

The following information regarding the line must be supplied by the applicant in either the space provided on the form or as an attachment.

- 1) Provide the name of the line that the applicant is seeking certification for:

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- 2) Provide the date the line construction began and the date the line operation commenced (or is anticipated to commence).

Start Date of Line Construction: \_\_\_\_\_

Start Date of Line Operation: \_\_\_\_\_  Actual Date  
 Anticipated Date

Note: "Commencement of construction" means initiation of onsite fabrication, erection, or installation of, but not limited to, the following:

- a) Building supports or foundations:
- b) Laying of underground pipework, or
- c) Construction of storage structures

- 3) Attach a narrative describing the line including the associated equipment, structures, interconnections, and injection points as appropriate, for which the certification is requested. At a minimum, the following information must be provided:
- A list of major components of the line, and an explanation of their functions. For lines still under construction at the end of a tax year, submit a general description of the complete line, with a more detailed list of that portion for which certification is sought.
  - The name and location (e.g., physical address, latitude and longitude, and/or legal description) of those components or the end points of the line.
  - The total transfer capability of the transmission line established through the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) path rating process, or for transmission lines which are not covered by the WECC path rating process, by the capability determined by the balancing authority under whose jurisdiction the line is:
  - A list of the Montana electricity generating facilities that are, or will be, class fourteen properties under 15-6-157, MCA, for which a firm contract for transmission service, available throughout each year of the contract, has been obtained, including:
    - The location, or proposed location, of each generating facility.
    - The period for which each facility has secured firm contract for transmission service throughout each year.
    - Documentation of the amount of firm transmission on the line that has been secured for each generating facility throughout each year. If this amount is not the same throughout the year, describe the different amounts and the length of periods during which those amounts apply.

- Name, address, and telephone number of contact person for each facility.

- A map or drawing showing the location of the line and its associated equipment, structures, interconnections, as appropriate. Pictures may also be included.

Note: Follow-up questions will be asked depending on the nature of the property and DEQ may request a site visit to gather more details

4) The standard prevailing rate of wages for heavy construction were (or will be) paid during construction of the facilities in Montana as provided in 18-2-414, MCA.

Yes

No

Note: DEQ will verify this statement with information from the Department of Labor and Industry. If requested by DEQ, you must provide certified payroll that meets the content and format requirements of the Administrative Rules of Montana, 24.17.307.

#### CERTIFICATION OF ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS

***I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry, the information provided in this form is true, accurate, and complete.***

***(Name, title, and signature of company representative)***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature Required)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail the completed form to:

OR

Email the completed form to:

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[DEQ\\_Clean\\_and\\_Green@mt.gov](mailto:DEQ_Clean_and_Green@mt.gov)

### **General Information**

1. Complete a separate application for each line for which a certification is desired.
2. When necessary, provide additional information as an attachment to the application with the corresponding question.
3. If any information required for certification has previously been submitted to another Montana state agency, the applicant can identify the agency that has the information in the application. If, after reasonable efforts, DEQ is unable to obtain the information from the other agency, it will be requested from the applicant.
4. To ensure the timely issuance of a certification, DEQ suggests that a complete application be submitted on or before March 1 prior to the applicable tax year.
5. Upon request by the DEQ, an applicant is required to submit any additional supporting documentation that is required for certification.
6. Please call the Montana Department of Environmental Quality Energy Planning and Renewables Section at (406) 841-5200 with questions regarding classification or abatement certification.