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MONTANA CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Financial Responsibility requirements apply to owners or operators of all petroleum underground storage tank (UST) systems, except those UST systems that are exempt under ARM Title 17, chapter 56, subchapter 102 or ARM Title 17, chapter 56, subchapter 8.

Non-Compliance with the Montana Underground Storage Tank Act will result in a reduction of the reimbursement amount paid by the Fund. The Owner/Operator is responsible for all cleanup costs not reimbursed by the Fund.

I (Owner or Operator Name) _____, hereby certify that
(Facility Name) _____, (Facility ID#) _____ is in compliance with
the requirements in ARM 17.56.8 by providing the financial assurance coverage below.

The financial assurance mechanism(s) used to demonstrate Financial Responsibility under ARM 17.56.8 is (are)
as follows:

TYPE OF MECHANISM: Check (✓) all that apply and provide information for each mechanism.

NOTE: If you select the PTRC Fund, you must also choose an additional mechanism or combination of mechanisms (listed below) to cover the \$17,500 Co-payment requirement of the Fund, or certify a tangible net worth of at least \$17,500 on a [form approved by the department](#).

- Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup (PTRC) Fund.
 - Choose an additional mechanism or combination of mechanisms (listed below) to cover the \$17,500 co-payment requirement of the Fund
- Certificate of \$17,500 Tangible Net Worth (can only be used in conjunction with the PTRC Fund)
- Insurance and Risk Group Coverage
- Trust Fund
- Financial Test of Self Insurance
- Guarantee (Requires a Standby Trust Fund)
- Surety Bond (Requires a Standby Trust Fund)
- Letter of Credit (Requires a Standby Trust Fund)
- Standby Trust Fund

Local governments (cities, towns, counties, or fire districts) have the option of using four additional financial responsibility mechanisms that have been tailored to their characteristics. (State and federal government entities whose debts and liabilities are the debts and liabilities of a state or the United States are exempt from Financial Responsibility requirements).

- Bond Rating Test
- Financial Test
- Dedicated Fund
- Guarantee

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For each financial assurance mechanism selected provide the following information:

If you selected *PTRC Fund* and **only** *Certificate of \$17,500 Tangible Net Worth*, leave this section blank.

- Name of Issuer: _____
- Mechanism number (if applicable): _____
- Amount of coverage: _____
- Effective Period of coverage: _____

Does the mechanism cover:

If you selected the PTRC Fund, check "Yes" for all

- Taking corrective action Yes No
- Compensating 3rd parties for bodily injury and property damage caused by:
 - Sudden Accidental Releases Yes No
 - Non-sudden Accidental Releases Yes No
 - Accidental Releases Yes No

Signature of Owner or Operator _____

Printed Name of Owner or Operator _____

Title _____

Date _____

Signature of Witness or Notary _____

Printed Name of Witness or Notary _____

Date _____

The owner or operator must update this Certificate whenever the financial mechanisms change.

NOTARY SEAL (if applicable):

This Certificate of Financial Responsibility must be kept at your facility or place of business where it can be reviewed by your inspector during compliance inspections.