Application For
Sales and Use Tax Certificate of Exemption
For an Industrial or Research Enterprise Project

This Certificate of Exemption will be limited to purchases which qualify for an abatement of sales and use taxes pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, Section 40-9B-1, et seq., 40-9C-1, et seq., and/or 40-9G-1, et seq.

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
SALES AND USE TAX DIVISION

APPLICANT'S LEGAL NAME
FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FEIN)

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, AND ZIP

ADDRESS OF THE PROJECT SITE

CONTACT PERSON
IF THIS IS A CONTRACTOR APPLICATION, INCLUDE NAME OF THE PRIVATE USER (I.E. ABATED ENTITY)

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER
DATE ABATEMENT WAS GRANTED
ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE PER ABATEMENT AGREEMENT

A general contractor must attach a letter from the private user that it will be making purchases of tangible personal property to be incorporated into the project referenced above. A contractor or subcontractor must attach a letter from the private user or the general contractor that it will be making purchases of tangible personal property to be incorporated into the project referenced above.

The undersigned hereby makes application for a certificate of exemption (Form STE-2) in accordance with the provisions of Sales and Use Tax Rule 810-6-4-24 and further agrees to abide by the procedures outlined in Sales and Use Tax Rule 810-6-4-.24.01. See instructions for preparation of Form ST:EX-A2.

Name _____________________________________________
(PLEASE PRINT)

Signature _____________________________________________

Title _________________________________________________

Date ________________________________________________

Mail to:
Alabama Department of Revenue
Attn: Abatement Program Administrator
P. O. Box 327001
Montgomery, AL 36132-7001
(334) 242-1175
NOTE: Exemption certificates will not be issued unless Form ST:EX-A2 is completely filled out and all supporting documentation is provided to substantiate the issuance of the certificate of exemption. The certificate of exemption will be effective the date the abatement is granted by resolution by the granting authority. Only those purchases made after the abatement is granted will qualify for the sales and use tax abatement.

Once the Private User (company granted the abatement) has been issued a certificate of exemption, contractors may apply for a certificate of exemption to work on behalf of the project. In order to expedite the processing of your application, please include the following documentation when submitting your application:

**Private User**

Please include the following documentation to make a complete abatement packet:

1) Signed ST:EX-A2 application
2) A copy of the executed abatement agreement
3) A copy of the certified resolution by the authorized public body
4) A copy of the combined application for abatement of taxes (Form CO:CAA, CAAC or CAAG).
5) Documentation that the private user is enrolled in the E-Verify program. For more information go to [https://www.e-verify.gov/](https://www.e-verify.gov/).
6) Proof that a copy of the resolution and abatement agreement was provided to the county commission by certified mail or physical delivery if an authority other than the county was the granting authority.
7) Project Notification with the Alabama Department of Commerce. Contact the local economic development agency for issuance of notification.

**General Contractor Application**

1) Signed application, include the name of the private user that was granted the abatement.
2) Signed letter from the Private User or General Contractor approving the Sub-Contractor that will be making purchases of tangible personal property to be incorporated into the project. Letter must be submitted on appropriate letterhead.

**General Information**

Once the exemption application is approved, an exemption certificate is mailed to the certificate holder to present to vendors for purchases of building materials, construction materials, and personal property to be incorporated into the Industrial or Research Enterprise Project related to the specific project.

All certificate holders that qualify to make purchases for an Industrial or Research Enterprise Project for qualifying projects are responsible for reporting and remitting unabateable sales and use taxes, including county and municipal sales and use taxes levied for educational purposes. Unabated taxes shall not be remitted to the vendor. Certificates are not transferrable and may only be used by the person, firm, or corporation whose name appears at the bottom of the certificate. The certificate is not authorized to be used for purchases which do not qualify for abatement. These returns are required to be filed through the department's online tax return filing and payment portal, My Alabama Taxes ([https://myalabamataxes.alabama.gov](https://myalabamataxes.alabama.gov)) or through the local tax administering agency. See Rule 816-6-4-.24.

**Extension Request**

Certificates of exemption can be extended up to one year from the original expiration date stated in the abatement agreement. If an extension request is beyond one year or if the original expiration date has been expired for over a year, the granting authority must approve the extension by sending a letter to the abatement administrator.

The application and required documentation may be mailed or faxed to (334) 242-0550.

**Mailing Address:**

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Commissioner's Office
Alabama Department of Revenue
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(334) 242-1175