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2017 PLC of Maine Membership Application

Please complete the following questionnaire and return it with payment. All of your responses to this questionnaire will remain confidential.

Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____ Primary Contact: _____

Office Phone #: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

- Logging Contractor** - responsible for timber harvesting from stump to roadside –eligible for Board Membership, voting member, dividend eligible.* Membership dues for 2017 are based on 2016 production (number of tons delivered January through December 2016) Please check the appropriate box that applies to your company.
 - \$250 (25,000 tons and under) - **\$200 if Master Logger Certified**
 - \$500 (25,001 tons to 50,000 tons) - **\$400 if Master Logger Certified**
 - \$750 (50,001 to 100,000 tons) - **\$650 if Master Logger Certified**
 - \$1000 (100,001+ tons) - **\$900 if Master Logger Certified**

- Affiliated Contractor:** includes chip mill, chipping contractor, grinding contractor,owner-operator/sub-contractor, slashing contractor – not eligible for Board membership, voting member, dividend eligible.* Membership dues for 2017 are based on 2016 production (number of tons delivered January through December 2016) Please check the appropriate box that applies to your company.

<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 (25,000 tons and under)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 (25,001 tons to 50,000 tons)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$750 (50,001 to 100,000 tons)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1000 (100,001+ tons)

- Forest Contractor – Trucking Only or Forest Road Construction:** 50% or more of business is from forestry operations – not eligible for Board membership, voting member, dividend eligible.* Membership dues for 2017 are based on 2016 data (number of employees January through December 2016) Please check the appropriate box that applies to your company.

<input type="checkbox"/> 0-2 employees - \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> 3-5 employees - \$250
<input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 employees - \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> 11+ employees - \$750

Our company has enclosed \$ _____ for our 2017 dues. We understand PLC’s honor system is based on the above chart as set forth by the PLC Board of Directors and that any member found not paying fairly for 2017 will not be admitted to the PLC Dividend Group.*

You may also pay by credit card: # _____

Exp. Date _____ Security Code: _____ Signature _____

For New member applications (non-renewals), payments will be held for deposit, pending approval for membership by the PLC Board of Directors.

The undersigned, on behalf of the above named company (applicant), hereby applies for membership in the PLC of Maine. As a condition of membership, I agree that:

- The burden of proof for eligibility rests with the applicant.

1. Is your company responsible for the execution of all phases of your harvesting operation from stump to roadside? Yes ____ No ____
2. Federal Tax ID # Yes ____ No ____
3. Do you have an Unemployment Insurance Account Number? Yes ____ No ____
4. Do you have a current Workers' Compensation Policy? Yes ____ No ____

All PLC members must carry Workers Compensation Insurance.

Agency _____ Underwriter _____ Experience Mod _____

5. Do you have a current General Liability Insurance Policy? Yes ____ No ____

Agency _____ Underwriter _____

6. Current number of employees _____

7. Do you participate in a third party certification and/or training program (please all that apply):

Northeast Master Logger Program _____
Certified Logging Professional Program _____
Qualified Logging Professional Program _____
Other _____
None _____

8. Do you have a written safety program on file? Yes ____ No ____
(New PLC applicants must have a written safety program on file as a condition of membership. The PLC will provide sample safety plans to assist with this process.)

9. Do you have ongoing workplace safety inspections? Yes ____ No ____

10. Have you violated the standards of the Forest Practices Act or the Liquidation Harvesting Rule within the past five years? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, please explain _____

11. During the past 12 months, have there been any significant changes in your company? Yes ____ No ____
If yes, please explain -

12. Would your company like to participate in the 2017 PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Group?
(participation in the Dividend Group is subject to underwriting approval by Acadia Insurance)

Yes _____ (if your answer is yes, please proceed to question 13.)

No _____ (if your answer is no, please proceed to question 14.)

13. As a condition of participation in the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Group, Acadia Insurance requires the PLC to obtain a signed confidentiality waiver from each participating company.

On behalf of _____ (“Company”), as a member of the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend Program, I hereby authorize Acadia Insurance and/or its appointed agents to release information relating to my insurance policies with Acadia Insurance, including but not limited to premiums and loss history, to the Executive Director of the PLC. The Executive Director of the PLC will keep this information confidential and will not share company specific information with the Executive Board, Full Board, or individual members of the PLC. I acknowledge and agree that the foregoing authorization will remain valid as long as the Company remains a member of the PLC and the PLC/Acadia Insurance Dividend program, unless expressly revoked in writing to Acadia Insurance and the PLC. The undersigned certifies that he/she is duly authorized to sign this authorization on behalf of the Company.

By: _____

Signature

Printed Name and Title

14. It is understood that all members of the PLC will adhere to its “Logger’s Code of Practice”. As a professional logging contractor, I will strive to operate in such a way as to engender the public’s trust including meeting or exceeding the standards and principles as follows:

- Promote ethical conduct for all loggers.
- Strive to always meet standards for harvesting practices, which are consistent with the principles of sustainable forestry.
- To operate responsibly in all phases of the harvesting operation, from the actual harvesting activities to clean-up requirements following the harvest.
- Recognizing private landowner rights, I will strive to meet the landowners objectives as long as they are consistent with sustainable forestry principles, federal, state and local laws.
- I will do all I can to educate and inform landowners, loggers and others about the need to meet sustainable forestry principles.
- I will participate in the Northeast Master Logger, Certified Logging Professional, Qualified Logging Professional or other third party recognized program that will provide me with recognition as having met the appropriate requirements for logger education and training as envisioned by sustainable forestry principles.
- Comply with all federal, state and local laws and regulations, industry standards and guidelines applicable to the conduct of forest harvest operations.

- Conduct harvest operations in a safe manner which are in compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations including safety planning and all provisions of such requirements .
- To operate my company profitably as a responsible member of the business community including compliance with all requirements and practices as they relate to my employees, vendors and others I do business with.
- Continually strive to maintain positive relationships with landowners, procurement and mill personnel and the public in general.
- Do my part to assure that my industry has a positive image and to work with peer groups, logger associations and others to strive to bring all loggers up to these standards.
- Strive to continually improve my operations through training, innovation, employee programs and other appropriate means.
- Act responsibly to uphold the integrity of the logging profession .

Company _____ Date _____

By _____ Title _____
(signature)

(Please print or type name)

Please return the **completed** application with payment to:

Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
P.O. Box 1036, 110 Sewall St.
Augusta, ME 04332

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