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2018 PLC of Maine Membership Application

Your responses to this application will remain confidential. Payment is due with your submission.

Company Information:

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 2018 are based on 2017 production (number of tons delivered January through December 2017) 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 sole proprietor w/ pre-determination letter (must be Master Logger certified), owner-operator/sub-contractor, chipping contractor, grinding contractor, slashing contractor or chip mill – voting member, dividend eligible, not eligible for Board membership* Membership dues for 2018 are based on 2017 production (number of tons delivered January through December 2017) Please check the appropriate box that applies to your company.
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- Forest Contractor – Trucking Only or Forest Road Construction:** 50% or more of business is from forestry operations – voting member, dividend eligible, not eligible for Board membership* Membership dues for 2018 are based on 2017 data (number of employees January through December 2017) Please check the appropriate box that applies to your company.
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| <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 2018 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 2018 will not be admitted to the PLC Dividend Group.*

Credit card, check here _____ to be e-mailed a link to pay securely by credit card.

All new applicants will have a background check with the Maine Forest Service and must be approved by the PLC Board of Directors. Your payment will not be deposited until you have been approved.

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 and **all** questions must be completed.

1. Is your company responsible for the execution of all phases of your harvesting operation from stump to roadside? Yes _____ No _____

2. Do you have a 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* _____

***PLC policy is that Members must have a current workers comp. insurance policy. However, affiliated sole proprietor applicants may also qualify for membership if they do not have a current policy by attaching a current "predetermination of independent contractor status" letter from the State of Maine Workers Compensation Board as part of their application and also must be Master Logger certified.**

a. Agency- (i.e. United/Cross- etc.) _____

b. Underwriter-(i.e. MEMIC/Acadia-etc.) _____

c. Experience Mod. # _____

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

a. Agency- (i.e. United/Cross- etc.) _____

b. Underwriter-(i.e. Acadia -etc.) _____

6. Current number of employees _____

7. Do you participate in a third party certification and/or training program (please check 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 _____

(PLC members 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, the Liquidation Harvesting Rule or had civil violations (i.e. timber theft or trespass) 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. _____

**Would your company like to participate in the 2018 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 **12**.)

No _____ (if your answer is **no**, please proceed to question **13**.)

12. Acadia Confidentiality Waiver- 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 fore- going 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:

13. 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.

Must be signed by all PLC of Maine members – Thank you!

Company: **Date**

By (Signature): **Title:**

Printed Name:

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

- Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
P.O. Box 1036
Augusta, ME 04332
- Fax to: 207-620-7517
- Scan and E-mail to: jessica@maineloggers.com

Additional E-mail addresses of employees who should receive our weekly emails:
