MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 2023 Quarterly Certificate of Escrow Deposit

Part 1: Non-Participating Manufacturer (NPM) Identification

Company Name:	
Physical Address:	
Mailing Address (if different):	
Contact Person Name and Title:	
Telephone Number:	FAX:
E-mail Address:	
Name of retailer(s)/wholesaler(s	s) that sells your cigarettes or RYO in Montana and brand(s)
sold:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Part 2: Quarter Being Reported

The sales year for this certificate is the calendar year **2023**. The quarter being reported is (check one):

January 1, 2023 - March 31, 2023 April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023 ☐ July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2023 ☐ October 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

Part 3: Units Sold for the Quarter Indicated

Indicate the number of individual cigarettes and units of "roll-your-own" tobacco sold by the manufacturer (whether directly or through a wholesaler, retailer, or similar intermediary or intermediaries) for the 2023 quarter indicated above and **produce any and all documentation of the sale or transfer of cigarettes or RYO into Montana**:

BRAND	Wholesaler/Retail	ler/Other Units Sold	

Total Units Sold A.

Part 4: Deposit Amount

The deposit amount for 2023 is \$.0432723 per unit sold.* **B**.

\$.0432723

Multiply line A by line B to calculate the **total deposit due**.

^{*} Mont. Code Ann. § 16-11-403(2)(a) requires payments to be "adjusted for inflation." Mont. Code Ann. § 16-11-402(1) defines "adjusted for inflation" as increased in accordance with the formula for inflation adjustment set forth in Exhibit C to the Master Settlement Agreement. Each year, this formula increases 3% or the actual inflation rate, whichever is greater. Because the actual inflation rate cannot be determined until the end of 2023, tobacco product manufacturers required to make quarterly escrow payments will be required, in their quarterly escrow payments, to deposit an amount that has been cumulatively adjusted for inflation by 3%. When the inflation rate for 2023 has been determined, manufacturers will be advised and then have until April 15, 2024, to deposit any additional money, if necessary, to satisfy the actual inflation amount under the Act.

This amount must be deposited in the Montana subaccount of the manufacturer's qualified escrow account within 30 days after the end of the quarter indicated above.

Part 5: Financial Institution

Name of Financial Institution:	
Escrow Agent Contact Name and Title:	
Mailing Address:	
Telephone Number:	FAX:
Escrow Account Number:	Montana Subaccount Number:

Attach a copy of the financial institution's receipt or other proof of deposit of the proper escrow payment.

Part 6: Certification

The above-named NPM certifies that (initial all four):

It has previously submitted a Montana Certificate of Escrow Deposit to Attorney General's Office. Date submitted:

Its qualified escrow fund complies with Mont. Code Ann. § 16-11-403;

Any escrow funds held or to be held in its qualified escrow fund on behalf of the State of Montana are or will be held in a separate segregated account, separate and apart from escrow funds held on behalf of any other beneficiary; and

There is no security interest that has been granted in or has attached or is otherwise applicable to any escrow funds held or to be held in the above-named Non-Participating Manufacturer's qualified escrow fund on behalf of the State of Montana.

Part 7: Authorized Designee and Representation

This document must be signed and dated by an authorized notary public as follows:

Under penalty of perjury, I certify and declare that all of the statements and information contained in this 2023 Quarterly Certificate of Escrow Deposit, including attachments are true, correct, accurate and complete in every particular and that I am a person authorized to bind the above-named NPM making this Certification either under the laws of the State of Montana or of the jurisdiction where the manufacturer resides or is organized. Any violation of these requirements is a basis for removal of the above-named NPM and its brand families from the Tobacco Product Directory.

I declare under <u>penalty of perjury</u> and under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct. MCA §1-6-105

Authorized Designee:	_Title:
Signature of Designee:	_ Date:
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me on this date:	
Signature of Notary Public:	
City or County of:	
State of:	
Printed Name of Notary Public:	
My Commission expires:	
Seal:	

Mail or Email the completed Certificate to:

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