

Instructions for Completing this Application

Section I. Membership Information

Please complete this section with basic information about your company.

Email will be our primary method of contacting members, so please ensure that your email address is correct, and be sure you notify us if that address changes. If you do not have an email address we will fax your weekly invoices to the number indicated on this application. You must have either a working email address or fax number to participate in the AFC fuel program.

Section II. Fuel Use

This information will be used to help us estimate the amount of fuel you will require from the Cooperative. It also provides the information necessary to determine the amount of credit that you will need from your bank in terms of the Letter of Credit.

Section III. Bank Information

Please complete this section to provide information about the bank you use.

Section IV. Method of Payment

The Alabama Forestry Cooperative will accept payment in two forms. In order to achieve the greatest savings on your fuel purchases through the AFC, the recommended form of payment is a weekly bank draft from your account. An invoice for the amount of fuel you purchase in the preceding seven days will be sent by Tuesday morning. You will have until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday to contact the AFC regarding any discrepancies with your weekly invoice. If it is correct; do nothing and that amount will automatically be deducted from your checking account Thursday morning. If it does not match your records, contact the AFC Office at (334) 481-2100.

To pay by bank draft, you will need to complete the enclosed form entitled **Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Agreement** which authorizes the AFC to withdraw funds from your account. If your banking information changes, notify us immediately as you will be responsible for any insufficient fund charges and you may lose the ability to purchase fuel from the Cooperative.

Also, in order to use the bank draft option, the AFC requires a Letter of Credit from your bank for the dollar amount of fuel you expect to use during a ten day period. This should cost you approximately 2% of the amount of the credit you are applying for from the bank and will serve as your credit limit from the Alabama Forestry Cooperative. Such letters are generally good for twelve months. The AFC reserves the right to change/increase the security requirement based on increased fuel usage or other factors.

For the second method of payment you can also use a Visa/MasterCard/Discover to pay for your purchases. In order to recover credit card processing fees the AFC will charge you an additional 2.25%. This fee will be applied at the pump when you charge fuel. For your convenience, an application for a commercial credit card from Compass Bank is enclosed. However you can use any Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card of your choosing.

Section V. Credit Check

This authorizes the Alabama Forestry Cooperative to run a credit check on your company.

Section VI. Calculation of AFC Dues

Dues to the AFC are calculated based on membership in the Alabama Loggers Council/Alabama Forestry Association. If you are a member of the ALC/AFC your dues are waived and you only pay an annual processing fee of \$25. If you are not a member of the ALC/AFC dues are \$200 plus the \$25 processing fee; for a total of \$225 annually. If you would like to join the ALC/AFC, an application is enclosed.

Section VII. Additional Paperwork

In order to avoid delays please check to make sure you have provided all of the necessary documents. All applications are subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the Alabama Forestry Cooperative.

Please return the required documents **along with your processing fee and/or dues to:**

Alabama Forestry Cooperative
555 Alabama Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

If you have any questions, please contact Rick Oates at (334) 481-2130 or info@alaforestrycoop.com.

Alabama Forestry Cooperative Membership Application

I. Membership Information

Member Company Name: _____

Primary Contact: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____ Southern Linc: _____

Physical Address: _____ Mailing Address: _____

Federal Tax ID Number or SSN: _____

Business Structure: Sole Proprietor Partnership L.L.C.
 Corporation Other (Please Specify) _____

List Names and Phone Numbers of Partners or Corporate Officers

Contact for Distribution of Cards: Same as Primary Contact Above

Telephone: _____

Contact for Accounts Payable Information: Same as Primary Contact Above

Telephone: _____

II. Fuel Use

Primary Station: Cottonton Other _____

Estimated Number of Trucks _____

Estimated Fuel Use from AFC (Weekly) _____ Gallons

Credit Amount Needed for Ten Days Worth of Fuel Purchases: _____

Number of Access Cards Needed: _____

III. Bank Information

Bank Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact: _____ Telephone: _____

For AFC Use Only

AID: _____

CID: _____

IV. Method of Payment

You can choose either (or both) option and decide how to pay at the time of purchase.

- Bank Draft:** If you choose this option, your account will be debited weekly for your fuel purchases. You will be notified by noon on Tuesday of the amount to be debited from your account after 8:30 a.m. on Thursday. **You must complete the enclosed Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Agreement.**
 - Commercial Credit** (Visa, MasterCard or Discover): If you choose this option, you can use your Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card at the pump. **The AFC will charge 2.25 percent of the purchase price in order to recover credit card processing fees.**
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V. Credit Check (If Bank Draft option is selected)

- I authorize the Alabama Forestry Cooperative to perform the necessary credit check on my accounts.

Signature: _____

VI. Calculation of AFC Annual Processing Fee/Dues

- Alabama Loggers Council/Alabama Forestry Association Member
 - Processing Fee..... \$25
 - Dues waived
 - Total (ALC/AFC Member)..... \$ 25**
 - Non-Alabama Loggers Council/Alabama Forestry Association Member
 - Processing Fee..... \$25
 - Dues \$200
 - Total (Non ALC/AFC Member)..... \$225**
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VII. Additional Paperwork

- Letter of Credit—needed if Bank Draft Option is checked in Section IV. A sample is shown on page 7 and it should be for the amount of fuel you expect to use in a ten day period.
 - Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization—needed if Bank Draft Option is checked in Section IV
 - Additional Terms of Use Agreement must be signed and returned.
 - Voided Check—needed if Bank Draft Option is checked in Section IV.
 - Payment of your processing fee and dues (see section VI)
 - ALC/AFC Membership Application—optional
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I certify that the information presented herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Additional Terms of Use Agreement

Purchases will be for vehicles owned and operated by the Alabama Forestry Cooperative member (Purchaser).

Access cards will remain the property of the Alabama Forestry Cooperative (Supplier) and must be returned upon termination of this account. There will be a fee to replace lost, damaged or stolen access cards.

Purchaser will be responsible for all purchases by purchaser or any other person using access cards issued to the purchaser; regardless of whether used by any other person in an unauthorized manner.

Purchaser will promptly notify Supplier of change in ownership of the company. Purchaser agrees that Supplier shall have a lien on the proceeds from such a sale to secure payment of all outstanding sums owed to Supplier.

Purchaser must notify the Supplier of any changes in banking information, email address or other contact information immediately. Purchaser is responsible for any bank charges due to insufficient funds or closed accounts.

Purchaser agrees that all persons using an access card delivered to Purchaser will be made aware of the proper use of the cardlock system and will use safe practices in compliance with the regulations of the local fire code in the handling of the fuels dispensed from the cardlock system. Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold Supplier harmless from any claims and costs including, but expressly not limited to, those for bodily injury and property damage which may occur by negligence or misuse of the cardlock system by Purchaser or any person using the cardlock system with cardlock cards delivered to Purchaser.

Supplier will use its best efforts to maintain the cardlock system in good working order and condition at its expense provided however Supplier will not be responsible for any damage or loss which may result from its failure to provide fuel or the failure of the system in any manner whatsoever. Purchaser agrees that any person using the access cards delivered to Purchaser will promptly notify Supplier of any malfunctioning of the cardlock system of which Purchaser is aware.

Purchaser's right to purchase fuel through the cardlock system may be terminated immediately upon any breach of any terms hereof or of any other agreement with Supplier. Upon termination, Purchaser agrees to immediately surrender all access cards issued to Purchaser and immediately pay all outstanding sums owed to Supplier. In the event of any breach of any of the terms of this agreement or any other agreement between Purchaser and Supplier, including by not limited to the failure to pay sums owed to Supplier when due, then in addition to any other sums due or payable to Supplier by Purchaser, Purchaser agrees to pay a collection fee of up to 25% of the amount owed at the time of termination, and reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred by supplier in the enforcement of Supplier's rights whether or not any suit or action is filed to enforce the rights of the Supplier. In the event that any legal action is required to collect on this account, venue for such legal matters will be determined by Supplier.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____



ALABAMA FORESTRY COOPERATIVE

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT

Member Name: _____

Coop Account Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Fax: _____

_____ (Member Name) agrees to allow the Alabama Forestry Cooperative to initiate debit and/or credit entries to the member's checking account indicated below and further authorizes the depository institution named below to debit and/or credit such entries to the member's account.

Bank Name: _____

Bank Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Bank Routing Number: _____

Bank Account Number: _____

Bank Contact Name: _____

Bank Telephone Number: _____



This authorization shall remain in effect until terminated upon thirty (30) day's written notice by either member or the Alabama Forestry Cooperative. Notice of termination shall in no way affect debit and or credit entries initiated prior to actual receipt of notice. This EFT program can be terminated or modified by the Alabama Forestry Cooperative at any time.

All credit and other terms and requirements between Member and the AFC remain in effect.

MEMBER AUTHORIZATION:

Authorized Signature

Title

Date

BANK ACCEPTANCE:

Authorized Signature

Title

Date

Upon receipt of this fully executed EFT Authorization Agreement, you will be informed by letter of the effective date that drafts will begin against your account.

Alabama Forestry Association & Alabama Loggers Council

Membership Application

Alabama Forestry Association's seed was planted in 1949, when a small group of sawmillers joined together to defend their livelihood and their families from impending government regulation. Today, the support has grown to include every facet of the forestry community---from the stump (landowners and logging contractors) to forest products manufacturing facilities.

By joining Alabama Forestry Association and Alabama Loggers Council, you are investing in a strong voice before the legislature and state regulatory agencies, such as ADEM and ALDOT. For a complete list of our member benefits and the latest forestry news, please visit www.alaforestry.org.

CATEGORY*	DUES
Forestry-Related Business:	
• Associate (<i>equipment dealer, real estate broker, etc.</i>)	
<i>Annual Sales up to \$2.5 million</i>	\$325
<i>Annual Sales over \$2.5 million</i>	\$520
• Forestry Consultant	
<i>Individual</i>	\$100
<i>2 to 5 employees</i>	\$230
<i>Over 5 employees</i>	\$325
• Specialty Service (<i>planting, stump grinding, site prep, etc.</i>)	\$100
• Trucking (<i>contract hauling and/or hauling forestry equipment</i>)	\$130
• Vendor (<i>forestry equipment parts & supplies</i>)	\$100
• Wood Supplier/ Dealer	
<i>Up to 130,000 tons</i>	\$195
<i>130,001 - 260,000 tons</i>	\$390
<i>Over 260,000 tons</i>	\$585
Landowner:	
• 250 acres or less	\$65
• 251 acres to 500 acres	\$100
• 501 acres to 2,500 acres	\$165
• 2,501 acres to 5,000 acres	\$230
• 5,001 acres to 10,000 acres	\$325
• 10,000 acres or more	\$.0325 / acre
Logging Contractor:	
• Up to 12,500 tons	\$150
• Over 12,500 tons	\$280
Individual:	
• Forester - Registered **	\$65
• Forester - Non-Registered	\$65
• Forestry Employee	\$65

* If you do not find a suitable category, please contact us at (334) 265-8733.

**Must include RF# in space provided below

Having a Voice in Alabama Forestry has Never Been Easier- Join AFA Today!

Member or Company Name		Contact (if Company)		
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip
Daytime Phone	Fax	Email Address		
Membership Category	** Registered Forester #	PLM #	With what <u>Alabama</u> county is your membership most closely associated?	Total Acres owned in Alabama
Amount Enclosed	Check***	Credit Card	Credit Card Number	Expiration Card ID#
This is a: Company Membership Individual Membership		Signature (required)		

Please send me more information about: **Worker's Compensation Coverage** **Hunt Club and/or Large Landowner Liability Insurance**

** Please include your registered forester number in the space provided above

*** Please make check payable to: Alabama Forestry Association

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