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##### AMERICAN PECAN PROMOTION BOARD

**APPLICATION FOR DE MINIMUS EXEMPTION FROM ASSESSMENT**

As stated in Section 1223.53 of the Pecan Promotion, Research, and Information Order (Exemption Procedures):

###### An exemption from payment of assessments as provided in **§1223.52, shall be provided to producers that domestically produce and importers that import less than 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans (25,000 pounds of shelled pecans) on average for four fiscal periods (the fiscal period for which the exemption is claimed and the previous three fiscal periods) as follows:**

Producer

###### Any producer who desires to claim an exemption from assessments shall file an application on a form provided by the Board, for a certificate of exemption for each fiscal period claiming an exemption. Such producer shall certify that it will domestically produce less than 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans (25,000 pounds of shelled pecans) on average for four fiscal periods). It is the responsibility of the producer to retain a copy of the certificate of exemption.

Importer

Any importer who desires to claim an exemption from assessments shall file an application on a form provided by the Board, for a certificate of exemption for each fiscal period claiming an exemption. Such importer shall certify that it will import less than 50,000 pounds of inshell pecans (25,000 pounds of shelled pecans) on average for four fiscal periods (the fiscal period for which the exemption is claimed and the previous three fiscal periods). It is the responsibility of the importer to retain a copy of the certificate of exemption.

**CERTIFICATION**

*(To Be Signed and Dated by Applicant)*

**I hereby certify that my total level of pecan production or imported pecans to the United States is less than 50,000 pounds in-shell pecans (25,000 pounds shelled pecans) for fiscal year 20xx-20xx. I therefore request a certificate of exemption from the American Pecan Promotion Board for the year 20xx-20xx.**

**Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Company Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Please send your completed Certificate of Exemption Application and supporting documentation to verify previous year’s production or importation to the American Pecan Promotion Board (APPB) at the following address:

American Pecan Promotion Board

1431 Greenway Dr. Suite 700, Irving, TX 75038

Telephone: (817) 985-3034

E-mail: forms@eatpecans.com

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