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RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 25

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A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TAX ABATEMENT TO AMERICAN CHEMET CORPORATION ON QUALIFYING CLASS EIGHT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated (MCA), 15-6-138 states "subject to subsection (6) manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment installed and placed in service after December 31, 2022 are exempt from taxation for a period of 5 years starting from the later of the date they were placed in service or October 1, 2023, after which the exemption amount allowed under subsection (6)(d) is phased out at a rate of 20% of the amount allowed by the governing body a year, with the property being assessed at 100% of its taxable value after a 10-year period. An entity that claims a tax exemption under this subsection (4)(d) shall maintain adequate books and records demonstrating the investment the owner made when installing and placing the property into service in the state. The property owners shall make the records available to the department for inspection on request; and

WHEREAS, MCA 15-6-138 states that in order for a taxpayer to receive the tax abatement described in subsection (4)(d), the taxpayer shall submit an application for the abatement and a project plan to the governing body and receive approval pursuant to subsection (6); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners must approve the abatement request in the application by resolution for each project, following due notice as provided in 7-1-2121 and a public hearing, to determine whether the manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment eligible for abate has an impact on services and a fiscal impact to the county; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has the discretion to set that abatement at 80, 90 or 100 percent for the first five years, after which the tax on the property is increased until the property is fully taxed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners received a timely application from American Chemet Corporation (Exhibit A), who owns property that appears to qualify for this abatement: and

WHEREAS, the County published legal due notice on April 5, 2025 and April 12, 2025 of the American Chemet Corporation tax abatement application in the Helena Independent Record; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on April 17, 2025 and made a determination that the eligible abatement activities will have an impact on services and a fiscal impact to Lewis and Clark County; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Lewis and Clark County Board of County Commissioners approves a tax abatement application on the qualifying class eight property owned by American Chemet Corporation as indicated in the application. The percentage of the abatement on the qualifying class eight property, as determined by the Montana Department of Revenue, during the initial five-year period is set at ________percent.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the tax abatement application and a copy of this resolution will be submitted to the Montana Department of Revenue for consideration and statutory assessment.

DATED this <u>/7</u> day of April, 2025

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Candace Payne, Chair

ATTEST:

Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board







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Property Tax Abatement Application for Manufacturing Machinery, Fixtures, and Equipment

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The property owner or the property owner's representative must submit this application to the local governing body of the county where the property is located for approval by resolution. Refer to <u>15-6-138. MCA</u> for the definition of manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment, and for detailed information on the application process.

For property used in a manufacturing process for which the property owner did not seek approval prior to commencing construction, the property owner must apply by March 1 of the year during which the abatement is first applicable for manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment installed and placed in service after October 1, 2023.

Required informati	on			
Applicant Name		Property Address	Property Address	
American Chemet Corporation		145 Highway 282	145 Highway 282	
Mailing Address		City East Helena	City East Helena	
PO Box 1160		State MT	ZIP <u>59635</u>	
City East Helena		County Lewis & C	County Lewis & Clark	
State MT	ZIP 59635	Geocode(s) Can be f	ound on the classification and appraisal notice.	
Email dgagner@chemet.com		05-188-36-1-0	05-188-36-1-01-30-0000	
Contact Phone (406) 441-2020		Assessment code(s	Assessment code(s) Can be found on the classification and appraisal notice.	
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Complete the questions below for the project's qualifying manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment.

- 1 Project's construction commencement date 1 1 0 3 2 0 2 0
- 2 Project's estimated construction completion date 1 2 3 1 2 0 2 4
- 3 Project's estimated cost \$ _____ 820611
- 4 A project plan is included with the application providing specific descriptions of qualifying manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment. X Yes No

Project plan must include site plans, construction blueprints or CAD files, and detailed equipment list with complete installation costs, installed date, and placed-in-service date for each qualifying component.

5 The application shall be deemed for all manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment identified in the project plan, regardless of the project's estimated cost, unless part of the project is otherwise exempt from property tax.

Is the applicant applying for an abatement on all manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment identified in the project plan?

Yes 🗌 No

If no, please explain the reason for the difference and identify the manufacturing machinery, fixtures, and equipment on which the applicant is requesting an abatement, including estimated costs associated with each. Add additional pages if necessary.

6 NAICS code for the property <u>3103891</u>	
Applicant Signature	Date 02252025
Printed Name Dan Gagner	

Important! The applicant must provide a copy of their application to the Department of Revenue within 30 days of submitting their application to the local governing body.

Questions? Contact us at dorpadindustrial@mt.gov or (406) 444-7968.