Department of Taxation and Finance

**CT-397** 

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# Report of Annual License Fee Agricultural Cooperative Marketing or Financing Corporations and District Heating/Cooling Cooperatives

Cooperative Corporations Law, Article 5

Employer identific	cation number	File number	Business	telephone number				
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Legal name of corporation			,		Trade name/DBA			
Mailing name (if different from legal name)					State or country of incorporation			
c/o								
Number and street or PO box					Date of incorporation		1	
City		State	ZIP code		Date began business in NYS		1	
If address/phone a	lf you need to update your address or phone information for				or corporation tax or		Audit (for Tax Department use only)	
is new, mark an X other tax types, you can do so online. See Business information in Form CT-1.								
Payment - pay \$10.00 - Make check or money order payable to: New Yo						Corpor	ation Tax	Payment enclosed
← Attach your payment here. (See instructions for details.)					•			\$10.00
The above corporation was incorporated under the Cooperative Corporations Law on								
						(mm-dd-yy)		
or the purpose of								
Certification	n: I certify that this report and any							and complete.
Authorized	Printed name of authorized person	S	signature of	authorized person	on	O	fficial title	
person	E-mail address of authorized person				Tel	ephone num	ber	Date
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## Instructions

# Form CT-1, Supplement to Corporation Tax Instructions

See Form CT-1 for the following topics:

- Changes for the current tax year (general and by Tax Law Article)
- · Business information (how to enter and update)
- · Entry formats
  - Dates

Print or type

- Negative amounts
- Percentages
- Whole dollar amounts
- Are you claiming an overpayment?
- NAICS business code number and NYS principal business activity
- · Limitation on tax credit eligibility
- Third-party designee
- Paid preparer identification numbers
- · Is your return in processible form?
- · Use of reproduced and computerized forms
- Electronic filing and electronic payment mandate
- Online services

- · Web File
- Form CT-200-V
- · Collection of debts from your refund or overpayment
- · Fee for payments returned by banks
- · Reporting requirements for tax shelters
- · Tax shelter penalties
- Voluntary Disclosure and Compliance Program
- · Your rights under the Tax Law
- · Need help?
- · Privacy notification

#### Who must file

Section 77 of the Cooperative Corporations Law **exempts** certain cooperative corporations from all franchise, license, or corporation taxes. In place of those taxes the following corporations must file this form and pay an annual license fee of \$10.

- Cooperative corporations, with or without capital stock, organized for the purpose of cooperative marketing of agricultural products;
- Cooperative corporations, with or without capital stock, organized for the purpose of making loans to their members producing agricultural products;

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- Cooperative corporations, with or without capital stock, organized for the purpose of purchasing food products for sale to their members where such purchasing cooperative corporation has gross receipts from such sales of less than \$500,000 in a calendar year;
- Cooperative corporations organized without capital stock that have federal Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 501(c)(12) status and are organized for producing and/or distributing district heating and/or cooling services solely for use by their members. The heating or cooling facility must be located in a city with a population of more than 200,000 but less than 300,000, and must have at least 35% of the service, as measured by relative thermal usage, distributed to and used by members who:
  - qualify as certain exempt organizations under the New York State Sales and Use Tax Law (for example, governmental, educational, charitable, religious); or
  - qualify as cooperative corporations organized without stock, that have federal IRC section 501(c)(12) status.

In addition, the following must file this form and pay the fee:

- Certain organizations exempt from sales tax under the New York State Sales and Use Tax Law (for example, governmental, educational, charitable, religious) that are members of the cooperative corporations providing the heating and/or cooling services described above.
- The cooperative corporations organized without stock that have federal IRC section 501(c)(12) status and are members of the cooperative corporations providing the heating and/or cooling services described above.

Types of cooperative corporations that are not required to file this form, are:

- Agricultural cooperative corporations with capital stock organized for the sole purpose of raising crops.
- Cooperative corporations with capital stock that operate for a profit taxable under Tax Law Article 9-A: see Corporations subject to tax under Article 9-A in Form CT-3-I, Instructions for Form CT-3 General Business Corporation Franchise Tax Return.

## **Payment**

Make your check or money order payable in United States funds. We will accept a foreign check or foreign money order only if payable through a United States bank or if marked *Payable in U.S. funds*.

#### When and where to file

On or before March 15th following the close of the calendar year, mail this completed form and \$10 check or money order to:

NYS TAX DEPARTMENT PSSB DOCUMENT PROCESSING W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS ALBANY NY 12227-0825

#### Private delivery services

See Publication 55, Designated Private Delivery Services.