

# **Pennsylvania Department of Revenue**

# **Instructions for RCT-112**

RCT-112 IN 07-17

Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) Report - Electric, Hydro-Electric and Water Power Companies

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **REMINDER**

- All payments of \$1,000 or more must be made electronically or by certified or cashier's check remitted in person or by express mail courier.
- Use ONLY whole dollars when preparing tax reports.
- PA sales for resale exemptions must be reported on Page 3 of the report.
   If additional pages are needed, please make a clean copy of Page 3 and complete.
- Taxpayers may request a 60-day extension to file this report by filing REV-426.
  - NOTE: The automatic PA extension provided by Act 52 of 2013 to those with valid federal extensions DOES NOT apply to this tax.
- The penalty imposed for failure to file timely reports is now a minimum of \$500, regardless of the determined tax liability, plus an additional 1 percent of any determined tax liability over \$25,000.
- RCT-112 is available as a fill-in form on the department's website at www.revenue.pa.gov. Use ONLY the most current, non-year-specific tax form and instructions for filing ALL years. If an amended report must be filed, taxpayers must use the most current, non-year-specific tax form, completing all sections of the form. REV-1175, Schedule AR (explanation for amending), must be included when filing an amended report.
- One estimated payment coupon, REV-423, and one extension coupon, REV-426, will be used for all specialty

- taxes. The coupons and the tax report will no longer be mailed. These forms are available as fill-in documents on the department's website **www.revenue.pa.gov**. The REV-423 and REV-426 coupons can be filed electronically through e-TIDES at **www.etides.state.pa.us**. However, electronic filing of the tax report is not available. The report should be completed using the computer-based fill-in form, printed and submitted by mail to the department. The form can be saved electronically for your records.
- For tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2011, taxpayers subject to gross receipts tax must file the Pennsylvania gross receipts tax report using the same method of accounting used to file reports with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) or the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If the taxpayer has no regulatory reporting requirement to FERC or FCC, the taxpayer must file the Pennsylvania gross receipts tax report using the same method of accounting used to file reports with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). If the taxpayer has no regulatory reporting requirement to FERC, FCC or PUC, the taxpayer must file the Pennsylvania gross receipts tax report using the same method of accounting used to file the federal income tax return with the Internal Revenue Service. If this requires a taxpayer to change the accounting method for reporting Pennsylvania gross receipts, see Tax Bulletin 2011-02 for the applicable rules in reporting for the transition
- For tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2011, taxpayers using the accrual method of accounting may take an adjustment to PA receipts

for bad debts. The taxpayer must provide detail of all adjustments, including tax type, amount, location and tax period.

**Annual Report Checklist:** Make sure you include the following to file your annual report properly and completely:

- Negative amounts must be written using a minus sign preceding the number. Do not use parentheses.
- Complete RCT-112, Gross Receipts Tax Report – Electric, Hydro-Electric and Water Power Companies
- Copy of the FERC annual report and/or PUC annual report
- Copy of the federal income tax return as filed, or a pro-forma return if a return is not required to be filed with the IRS
- Monthly schedule of receipts if the taxpayer is a fiscal filer for federal purposes (this schedule must cover the two fiscal periods which include the 12 calendar months reflected on this report)
- Detail of reconciliation if total receipts do not equal the amount reported on the federal return
- Detail of reconciliation if PA receipts do not equal the amount of the sales factor apportionment reported on the PA Corporate Net Income Tax Report, RCT-101/106 or PA Sales tax report or Schedule H of the PA20S/PA65
- Detail of adjustment for PA bad debts
- Detail of PA non-taxable receipts
- Corporate officer's signature on Page 1 and preparer's signature and PTIN on Page 2 (if applicable)

### Imposition, Base and Rate

Gross receipts tax is imposed on electric light companies, water power companies and hydro-electric companies, including electric distribution companies and electric generation suppliers that do business in Pennsylvania establishing or

maintaining a market for the sale of electric energy. The tax applies to retail sales of electric generation, transmission and distribution; supply of electric energy; dispatching and customer services; competitive transition charges, intangible transition charges;

universal service and energy conservation charges; and any other receipts considered sales of electric energy. Retail sales of electric generation occur at the retail customers' meters. For more information, see Section 1101 of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 (72 P.S. § 8101).

THE TAX RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:				
Tax Period	Rate	Revenue Neutral Reconciliation (RNR)	PURTA Surcharge	Total Tax Rate
12/31/2018	44 mills	15 mills	0.0 mills	59.0 mills (0.0590)
12/31/2017	44 mills	15 mills	0.0 mills	59.0 mills (0.0590)
12/31/2016	44 mills	15 mills	0.0 mills	59.0 mills (0.0590)
12/31/2015	44 mills	15 mills	0.0 mills	59.0 mills (0.0590)
12/31/2014	44 mills	15 mills	0.0 mills	59.0 mills (0.0590)

# Revenue ID, Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), Parent Corporation FEIN, Name and Address

The Revenue ID number, FEIN, name and complete mailing address must be provided. If the taxpayer is a subsidiary of a corporation, the parent corporation's FEIN must be provided. Also provide the telephone number and email address of the taxpayer.

#### **Tax Year**

Enter month, day and year (MMDD YYYY) for the tax year beginning and enter year (YY) for the tax year end.

# **Report Due Date**

This report is due March 15 for the preceding year ended Dec. 31. If March 15 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the report is due the next business day. The penalty imposed for failure to file timely reports is now a minimum of \$500, regardless of the determined tax liability, plus an additional 1 percent of any determined tax liability over \$25,000.

### **Address Change**

Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if the address of the corporation has changed from prior tax periods. The current mailing address should be reflected on the report.

# **Correspondence to Preparer**

Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if all correspondence (notices and requests

for additional information) is to be sent to the preparer's address. If "Y" is entered, the address recorded on Page 2 will be used.

# **Amended Report**

Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if you are filing an amended report to add, delete or adjust information. Provide documentation to support all changes being made. An amended report should only be filed if an original report was filed previously for the same period.

An amended report must be filed within three years of the filed date of the original report. The department may adjust the tax originally reported based on information from the amended report. The taxpayer must consent to extend the assessment period.

If the amended report is timely filed and the taxpayer consented to extend the assessment period, the time period in which to assess tax will be the greater of three years from the filed date of the original report or one year from the filed date of the amended report.

Regardless of the tax year being amended, taxpayers must use the most current non-year-specific tax form, completing all sections of the report. This includes those sections originally filed and those sections being amended. All tax liabilities should be recorded on Page 1. Taxpayers must check the Amended Report check box on Page 1

and include Schedule AR, REV-1175, with the report.

#### **First Report**

Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if this is the taxpayer's first PA gross receipts tax filing.

#### **Electronic Payment**

Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if the taxpayer has made any electronic payments using e-TIDES.

#### **Final Report**

- Enter "Y" in the block on Page 1 if this report will be the final report filed with the department. Indicate the effective date of the event as MMDDYYYY.
- Include a copy of your PUC and/or FERC cancellation notice.
- Include a copy of the regulatory authority's approval of the merger, dissolution, plan of reorganization and/or articles of merger.
- Provide the Revenue ID and FEIN of the surviving entity, if applicable.

#### **Corporate Officer Information**

A corporate officer must sign and date the tax report. The signature must be original; photocopies or faxes will not be accepted. Print the first and last name, title, Social Security number, telephone number and email address of the corporate officer.

#### **Preparer's Information**

Paid preparers must sign and date the tax report. If the preparer works for a firm, provide the name, FEIN and address of the firm along with the name, telephone number, email address and PTIN/SSN of the individual preparing the report. If the preparer is an individual without any association to a firm, provide the name, address, telephone number, email address and PTIN/SSN of the individual preparing the report.

#### **Estimated Payment Instructions**

All accounts are expected to remit estimated prepayments toward the final liability a corporation estimates is due for the taxable year. Prepayment for gross receipts tax is due March 15 of the reported year. Tax remaining due at the close of the taxable year must be paid on or before March 15 of the following year.

Mail the estimated payment coupon, REV-423, separately from all other forms.

If you have questions regarding estimated payments, call the Accounting Division at 717-705-6225 (Option 5, then Option 1 or 3).

### **Extension Request Due Date**

To request a due date extension of up to 60 days to file the annual report, you must file an extension request, REV-426, by the original report due date. However, an extension of time to file does not extend the deadline for payment of tax, and an extension request must be accompanied by payment of taxes owed for the taxable year for which the extension is requested.

Mail the extension coupon separately from all other forms. A taxpayer using an electronic method to make a payment with an extension request should not submit the extension coupon. Do not use the extension coupon to remit other unpaid liabilities within the account.

#### **Payment and Mailing Information**

All payments of \$1,000 or more must be made electronically or by certified or cashier's check remitted in person or by express mail courier. Failure to make a payment by an approved method will result in the imposition of a 3 percent

penalty of the tax due, up to \$500. For more information on electronic payment options, visit **www.etides.state.pa.us**. Payments under \$1,000 may be remitted by mail, made payable to the PA Department of Revenue.

Mail payments, extension requests and Tax Report, RCT-112, to the following address:

PA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE 327 WALNUT ST FL 3 PO BOX 280407 HARRISBURG PA 17128-2005

#### **Current Period Overpayment**

If an overpayment exists on Page 1 of the RCT-112, the taxpayer must instruct the department to refund or transfer overpayment as indicated below.

**Refund:** Identify the amount to refund from the current tax period overpayment. Prior to any refund, the department will offset current period liabilities and other unpaid liabilities within the account.

**Transfer:** Identify the amount to transfer from the current tax period overpayment to the next tax period for estimated tax purposes. Prior to any transfer, the department will offset current period liabilities and other unpaid liabilities within the account.

NOTE: If no option is selected, the department will automatically transfer any overpayment to the next tax year for estimated tax purposes after offsetting current period liabilities and other unpaid liabilities within the account.

A tax period overpayment summary will be mailed to the taxpayer confirming the disposition of the credit.

### Requests for Refund or Transfer of Available Credit

Requests for refund or transfer of available credit from prior periods can be faxed on company letterhead, signed by an authorized representative, to 717-705-6227.

Requests can also be submitted in writing to the following address:

PA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE PO BOX 280701 HARRISBURG PA 17128-0701 Please do not duplicate requests for refund and/or transfer by submitting both RCT-112 and written correspondence.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

- To make payments and file extensions electronically, visit e-TIDES at www.etides.state.pa.us. For additional information and assistance with electronic payments and extensions, call 717-705-6225 (Option 6).
- To confirm account payments, call 1-888-PATAXES (1-888-728-2937).
- If you have questions regarding payments or refunds, call the Accounting Division at 717-705-6225 (Option 5, then Option 1).
- Requests for transfer of credit may be faxed to the Accounting Division at 717-705-6227.
- If you have questions regarding extensions, call the Extension Unit at 717-705-6225 (Option 4). Requests can be faxed to 717-705-6227.
- If you have questions regarding tax assessments, determinations or filing requirements, call the Specialty Tax Unit at 717-783-6031 (Option 7, then Option 2).
- If you have general business tax questions, call 717-787-1064.

#### LINE INSTRUCTIONS

# RCT-112 should be completed in the following order:

(Page instructions start with Page 4 below.)

**Step 1** - Complete the taxpayer information section and any applicable questions at the top of Page 1.

**Step 2** - Enter the Revenue ID and other taxpayer information in the designated fields at the top of each page.

**Step 3** - Complete Page 4, Source of Gross Receipts.

**Step 4** - Complete Page 3, Schedule A (PA Sales for Resale Exemption).

**Step 5** - Complete Pages 5 and 6, Schedules B (list of suppliers) and C (list of distributors).

**Step 6** - Complete Page 2, Source of Taxable PA Gross Receipts.

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**Step 7** - Complete Page 1, Lines 1 through 10.

**Step 8** - Complete the corporate officer information section, sign and date at the bottom of Page 1.

**Step 9** - Complete the preparer information section, sign and date at the bottom of Page 2, if applicable.

**Step 10** - Mail the completed report and any supporting schedules to the PA Department of Revenue.

#### PAGE 4

#### **SOURCE OF GROSS RECEIPTS**

Use the FERC uniform system of accounts to identify sources of receipts.

### Column A

#### **Total Gross Receipts Everywhere**

### Line 1 through Line 28

Enter the total gross receipts on the appropriate line.

#### Line 29 - Total

Enter the total of Lines 1 through 28. Carry the total from Line 29 to Page 2, Line 31.

#### Column B

# Receipts From Business Conducted in Other States

### Line 1 through Line 28

Enter the gross receipts from business conducted totally outside Pennsylvania on the appropriate line.

#### Line 29 - Total

Enter the total of Lines 1 through 28. Carry the total from Line 29 to Page 2, Line 32.

#### Column C

#### **Adjustment for PA Bad Debts**

For taxpayers using the Accrual Method of Accounting ONLY

# Line 1 through Line 28

Enter the gross receipts adjustment for PA bad debts on the appropriate line. Detail of all adjustments must be provided, including amount, location of customer and the tax period for which the receipts were originally reported.

Adjustment for PA bad debts cannot reduce taxable receipts to less than zero.

#### Line 29 - Total

Enter the total of Lines 1 through 28.

#### Column D

# Non-Taxable PA Receipts and PA Sales for Resale

#### Line 1 through Line 9 (non-taxable)

Enter the PA non-taxable receipts on the appropriate line. Detail of all non-taxable receipts must be provided.

#### Line 15 - Sales for Resale

Enter the total PA sales for resale exemption from Page 3.

# Line 16 through Line 28 (non-taxable)

Enter the PA non-taxable receipts on the appropriate line. Detail of all nontaxable receipts must be provided.

#### Line 29 - Total

Enter the total of Lines 1 through 28. Carry the sum of Line 29, Columns C and D to Page 2, Line 34.

#### PAGE 3

# SCHEDULE A - SALES FOR RESALE EXEMPTION

Complete this schedule if claiming an exemption for PA sales for resale. If the number of exemptions exceeds 34 resellers, include additional pages of this schedule. If additional pages are needed, the first Page 3 must include the grand total from all Page 3(s) and it must reconcile to Page 4, Column D, Line 15.

**IMPORTANT:** The sales for resale exemption only applies to receipts from sales to resellers who are subject to PA gross receipts tax. To claim the exemption, provide the name, sales tax number and FEIN of the reseller, along with the amount received from each reseller.

The allowance of the sales for resale exemption is contingent on the validation of the listed entities subjectivity to the PA gross receipts tax.

**IMPORTANT:** The sales for resale exemption does not apply to receipts from sales to municipality-

owned or municipality-operated public utilities. Municipality-owned or municipality-operated public utilities or public utility services furnished by any municipality are exempt from the gross receipts tax to the extent that gross receipts are derived from the sales of electric energy inside the limits of the municipality owning or operating the public utility or furnishing the public utility service.

NOTE: The presence of a PA sales tax exemption certificate does not qualify in and of itself for the resale exemption.

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# SCHEDULE B - ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS

Distributors of electricity must complete this schedule providing the name, FEIN, DUNS number and PA PUC-A number of each electric supplier for which the tax-payer distributes electricity. The amount billed and kilowatt hours delivered for each supplier must also be provided.

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# SCHEDULE C - ELECTRICAL SUPPLIERS

Suppliers of electricity must complete this schedule providing the name, FEIN, DUNS number and PA PUC-A number of each of the taxpayer's electric distributors. The amount billed and kilowatt hours delivered for the taxpayer by each distributor must also be provided.

#### PAGE 2

# SOURCE OF PA TAXABLE GROSS RECEIPTS

Use the FERC uniform system of accounts to identify sources of receipts.

## Line 1 through Line 28

Total taxable PA receipts should be calculated from Page 4, Column A minus Columns B, C and D. Enter the total taxable PA receipts on the appropriate line. The greyed areas should be left blank; these items are non-taxable. Enter non-exempt (or taxable) Sales for Resale on Line 15. Do not include exempt Sales for Resale reported on Schedule A (page 3) on Line 15.

# Line 29 - Total Taxable Gross Receipts

Enter the total of Lines 1 through 28. Line 29 should equal Line 33 minus Line 34.

#### **Line 30 - Gross Receipts Tax**

Multiply Line 29 by the appropriate tax rate from the table on Page 2 of the information section. Carry to RCT-112 Page 1, Line 1.

# Complete lines 31 through 34 to summarize column totals on Page 4.

#### **Line 31 - Total Gross Receipts**

Enter the total as reported on Page 4, Column A, Line 29.

# Line 32 - Total Receipts from Business Conducted in Other States Enter the total as reported on Page 4

Enter the total as reported on Page 4, Column B, Line 29.

# **Line 33 - Total PA Receipts**

Enter the difference of Line 31 minus Line 32.

#### Line 34 - Adjustment for PA Bad Debts and PA Sales for Resale

Enter the total as reported on Page 4, Columns C and D, Line 29.

#### **Line 35 - Source of Information**

Enter the letter associated with the type of annual report used to report gross receipts. (A:FERC, B:PUC, C:Federal Tax)

### **Line 36 - Accounting Method**

Enter the letter associated with the type of accounting method used to report gross receipts. If other, explain. (A:Accrual, B:Cash, C:Other)