New York State E-File Signature Authorization for Tax Year 2011 For Form CT-3, CT-3-A, CT-3M/4M, CT-3-S, CT-4, CT-13, CT-240, CT-245, or CT-400

Electronic return originator (ERO)/paid preparer: **do not** mail this form to the Tax Department. Keep it for your records.

Legal name of corporation:_____

Return type *(mark all that apply):* ___ CT-3 ___ CT-3-A ___ CT-3M/4M ___ CT-3-S ___ CT-4 ___ CT-13 ___ CT-240 ___ CT-245 ___ CT-400

Purpose

Form TR-579-CT must be completed to authorize an ERO to e-file a corporation tax return and to transmit bank account information for the electronic funds withdrawal.

General instructions

Part A must be completed by an officer of the corporation who is authorized to sign the corporation's return before the ERO transmits the electronically filed Form CT-3, *General Business Corporation Franchise Tax Return;* CT-3-A, *General Business Corporation Combined Franchise Tax Return;* CT-3M/4M, *General Business Corporation MTA Surcharge Return;* CT-3-S, *New York S Corporation Franchise Tax Return;* or CT-4, *General Business Corporation Franchise Tax Return Short Form;* CT-13, *Unrelated Business Income Tax Return;* CT-240, *Foreign Corporation License Fee Return;* CT-245, *Maintenance Fee and Activities Return For a Foreign Corporation Disclaiming Tax Liability;* or CT-400, *Estimated Tax for Corporations.*

EROs/paid preparers must complete Part B prior to transmitting electronically filed corporation tax returns. Both the paid preparer and the ERO are required to sign Part B. However, if an individual performs as both the paid preparer and the ERO, he or she is only required to sign as the paid preparer. It is not necessary to include the ERO signature in this case. Please note that an alternative signature can be used as described in TSB-M-05(1)C, *Alternative Methods of Signing for Tax Return Preparers.* Go to our Web site at *www.tax.ny.gov* to find this document.

Do not mail Form TR-579-CT to the Tax Department. EROs/paid preparers must keep this form for three years and present it to the Tax Department upon request.

Do not use this form for electronically filed Form CT-5, *Request for Six-Month Extension to File (for franchise/business taxes,* MTA surcharge, or both), Form CT-5.3, *Request for Six-Month Extension to File (for combined franchise tax return, or combined MTA surcharge, or both)*, Form CT-5.4, *Request for Six-Month Extension to File New York S Corporation Franchise Tax Return*, or Form CT-5.9-E, *Request for Three-Month Extension to File Form CT-186-E or Form CT-186-EZ (short form)*. Instead use Form CT-579.1-CT, *New York State Authorization for Electronic Funds Withdrawal for Tax Year 2011*, Form CT-5, Form CT-5.3, Form CT-5.4, Form CT-5.9, or Form CT-5.9-E.

Financial institution information *(required if electronic payment is authorized)*

1 Amount of authorized debit ..... 1. _____

2 Financial institution routing number ..... 2. _____

3 Financial institution account number ..... 3. _____

Part A — Declaration of authorized corporate officer for Form CT-3, CT-3-A, CT-3M/4M, CT-3-S, CT-4, CT-13, CT-240, CT-245 or CT-400

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information on this 2011 New York State electronic corporate tax return, including any accompanying schedules, attachments, and statements, and certify that this electronic return is true, correct, and complete. If this filing includes Form DTF-686, *Tax Shelter Reportable Transactions*, as an authorized officer of the corporation, I hereby consent to the waiver of the secrecy provisions of Tax Law sections 202, 211.8, 1467, and 1518 as such provisions relate to the disclosure requirements of Tax Law section 25. The ERO has my consent to send this 2011 New York State electronic corporate return to New York State through the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). I understand that by executing this Form TR-579-CT, I am authorizing the ERO to sign and file this return on behalf of the corporation and agree that the ERO's submission of the corporation's return to the IRS, together with this authorization, will serve as the electronic signature for the return and any authorized payment transaction. If I am paying New York State corporation taxes due by electronic funds withdrawal, I authorize the New York State Tax Department and its designated financial agents to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal from the financial institution account indicated on this 2011 electronic return, and I authorize the financial institution to withdraw the amount from the account.

Signature of authorized officer of the corporation: _____ Date: _____

Print your name and title: _____

Part B — Declaration of ERO and paid preparer

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the information contained in this 2011 New York State electronic corporate return is the information furnished to me by the corporation. If the corporation furnished me a completed paper 2011 New York State corporate return signed by a paid preparer, I declare that the information contained in the corporation's 2011 New York State electronic corporate tax return is identical to that contained in the paper return. If I am the paid preparer, under penalty of perjury I declare that I have examined this 2011 New York State electronic corporate tax return, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the return is true, correct, and complete. I have based this declaration on all information available to me.

ERO's signature: _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____

Paid preparer's signature: _____ Date: _____

Print name: _____