

GENERAL INFORMATION	
<b>Name of formality</b>	License to Operate a Value-Added Industrial Plant and Mineral Separation
<b>Type of formality</b>	License
<b>Date of last modification</b>	07.11.2017
<b>Responsible Authority</b>	Mine Management Department
<b>Who should apply for this formality?</b>	This applies to both domestic and foreign legal entities engaged in the value-added and mineral separation business in order to provide mineral products in Lao PDR. which has these two types:1. Holders of mining development contracts (or value-added and mineral separation) with the government (holding a concession certificate from the Investment sector). For concession activities, they will issue it together with the mining prospecting license.2. Those who are authorized by the government (holding an investment certificate from the investment sector), for factory activities without concession areas.
<b>Qualifications needed by the business to get the formality</b>	For those who do not have a mining concession area, they must have the following conditions:1. Hold an enterprise registration certificate from the Industry and Commerce sector.2. Complete the economic-technical feasibility study3. Hold an Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)4. Obtain an investment license from the Investment sector (Ministry of Planning and Investment)

LEGAL FRAMEWORK			
Name	Number	Date	Comment
Presidential Ordinance on Fees and Service Fees	003/PO	26.12.2012	
Instruction governing the Management of Mineral Processing Plant	0760/MOEM	28.05.2015	Chapter III, Article 7 and Article 10
Law on Mineral (Amended)	31/NA	03.11.2017	Part IV, Article 27 and Article 32

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FORMALITIES		
Name	Type	Comment
\${SUPPORT_NAME}	\${SUPPORT_TYPE}	\${SUPPORT_COMMENT}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR FIRST TIME APPLICATION		
Name of document	Type of document	File of document
\${ATTACHMENT_NAME}	\${ATTACHMENT_TYPE}	\${ATTACHMENT_FILE}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR RENEW APPLICATION		
Name of document	Type of document	File of document
\${ATTACHMENT_NAME_RENEW}	\${ATTACHMENT_TYPE_RENEW}	\${ATTACHMENT_FILE_RENEW}

MEAN OF PRESENTATION		
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Address of authority	Mine Department, Ministry of Energy and Mines	
Time it takes to the authorities to process the formality	30	Once the investor submits complete documents, the Ministry of Energy and Mines will consider issuing the permit within 30 working days.(Article 8, Regulation on the Management of Value-Added and Mineral Separation Factories)

RENEWAL INFORMATION		
Does the formality have a validity or an expiration date?		How long will the formality be valid for? (in months)
YES		60
What is the process and conditions to get the formality?		

<b>What is the process and conditions to renew the formality?</b>	<p>- Each license will not be valid for more than 5 years. It will be issued in accordance with the conditions specified by the government, which is not more than 20 years, and it can be renewed upon approval from the government case by case, depending on the size of the factory, the age of the factory, and the efficiency of the project.- For the renewal of the license, an application must be submitted to the Energy and Mines sector within 90 days prior to its expiry date in accordance with the contract; Including a summary report, an action plan on a regular basis in accordance with the contract, an economic-technical feasibility study, fulfill financial obligations to the government properly and fully in accordance with the regulations. Moreover, it shall be supported and approved by the people and local authorities. In order to renew the license, the applicant should meet the requirements and submit the following documents: 1. Submit an implementation report of value-added and mineral separation activities and future plans. 2. Implement activities in accordance with the value-added and mineral separation plan or the economic-technical feasibility study approved by the Energy and Mines sectors on a regular basis. 3. Create the least impact on the environment and society, or it shall be eco-friendly. 4. Report regularly as specified in the contract and the agreement of the Ministry of Energy and Mines. 5. Comply with the labor safety, hygiene, and financial obligations to the government, etc. correctly and completely. 6. Have supporting letters from local authorities. 7. Have a report and a record of the inspection from the technical authorities of the Department of Mines as well as the relevant sectors. Once the investor has submitted complete documents, the Ministry of Energy and Mines will consider issuing a license to operate the value-added industrial plant and mineral separation within 30 working days.</p>
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ISSUING FEES				
Has application fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Application fees businesses need to disburse	Total fees businesses need to disburse
YES	0.00	300000.00	0.00	300000.00
Comments	Refer to the Presidential Ordinance No. 003/PO			
ADDITIONAL ISSUING FEES				
Additional fee names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<b>Additional fee comments</b>	
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RENEWAL FEES				
Has renewal fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Renewal fees businesses need to disburse	Total renewal fees businesses need to disburse
YES	0.00	300000.00	0.00	300000.00
Comments	Refer to the Presidential Ordinance No. 003/PO			
ADDITIONAL RENEWAL FEES				
Additional renewal fees names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional renewal fees comments				