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# Low Carbon Technologies Programme – Call II

The aim of the Low Carbon Technologies Programme is to support enterprise competitiveness and the sustainability of the Czech economy through the introduction of innovative technologies in the field of electromobility, renewable energy sources, energy management and the utilisation of secondary raw materials. Another aim is to increase the use of more efficient and reliable low carbon technologies which are so far not commonly used in the Czech Republic.

# **SCHEDULE**

Opening and closing dates for the submission of aid applications:

1. 3. 2017 – 31. 5. 2017

# SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- a) Electromobility •
- (introduction of innovative technologies in the field of low-carbon transport road vehicle electromobility)
- acquisition of electric vehicles
- acquisition of (non-public) charging stations for electric vehicles within the business site for own use
- Activity b) Energy storage •
- innovative projects for the introduction of energy storage technology
- innovative projects for the introduction of energy storage technology including the installation of renewable energy sources (RES)
- acquisition of compact charging stations (non-public charging stations within a business site for the business's own use) using energy storage for the effective development of electromobility with

the option to install an integrated RES with an output that adequately corresponds to energy storage capacity

#### • Activity c) Secondary raw materials

- the introduction of technology to acquire secondary raw materials of a quality suitable for use in industrial production, e.g. from used paper, glass, metal, tyres, textiles, plastics, construction and demolition waste, secondary energy products and a series of other products which have reached the end of their useful life
- the introduction of innovative technologies which will enable the efficient acquisition of valuable secondary raw materials from used products
- the introduction of innovative technologies for the manufacture of innovative products made from secondary raw materials, including the replacement of primary sources with secondary raw materials, wherever economically feasible

### APPLICANT

The applicant/beneficiary is a business entity that:

- is small or medium-sized enterprise as defined in Annex I of Commission Regulation (EU) No.
  651/2014 or a large enterprise, including agricultural entrepreneurs, entrepreneurs in the food industry and retail sector.
- is licensed to trade in a business that corresponds to the economic activity for which the project is implemented.
- has signed a statutory declaration confirming that it is registered as an income tax payer in an EU Member State; the applicant is aware that it will have to have an establishment or branch based in the Czech Republic at the moment the aid is paid out.
- has signed a statutory declaration confirming that it has no outstanding liabilities towards selected institutions in the country in which it is based or in which it has a branch or towards support providers from projects co-financed from the EU budget.
- has signed a statutory declaration confirming that it has no outstanding liabilities in connection with employee salaries.
- has no outstanding liabilities arising from a recovery order following a previous Commission decision declaring aid illegal and incompatible with the common market.
- has been engaged in business for longer than 2 complete accounting periods as of the date the aid application is filed. If an applicant has been engaged in business for less than 2 complete accounting periods, the requisite history can also be proven through an entity that exercises

controlling influence in the applicant. The condition stipulated for two complete accounting periods may also be considered fulfilled if the applicant's entity has undergone a change (transformation) during the period in question – see Annex No. 1.

• has provided proof of its ownership structure.

## SECTORAL CLASSIFICATION

• Aid is not provided for projects whose outcomes take effect in any of the sectors specified in Annex No. 3 to this Call.

### MAIN CONDITIONS OF CALL

- The project must be implemented within the Czech Republic outside the City of Prague.
- The aid applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to the property and land where the project is to be implemented.
- The project must include all the obligatory components specified in the Call.
- The project does not assume aid for activities related to quantities exported (export subsidies), support for the establishment and operation of a distribution network abroad, or for other ordinary costs connected to export activities (customs duties, insurance, etc.); or aid contingent upon the use of domestic goods in preference to imported goods.
- The project was not started before the date the aid application was filed.
- The project must not violate EU horizontal policies and their basic principles, such as equal opportunities between men and women and sustainable development.

### **ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE**

- Fixed tangible assets.
- Fixed intangible assets (if necessary for the proper operation of fixed tangible assets).
- Business plan and project documentation

# FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

#### • Aid intensity:

#### Activity a) – Electromobility (including charging stations):

- If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 75 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 65 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 55 % of eligible expenditure.

#### Activity b) – Fast charging stations, energy storage and energy storage including installation of RES:

- If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 80 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 70 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 60 % of eligible expenditure.

#### Activity c) – Secondary raw materials:

- If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 45 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 35 % of eligible expenditure.
- If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, aid is provided up to a total of 25 % of eligible expenditure.

#### • Grant amounts:

#### Activity a) Electromobility: acquisition of electric vehicles

- grant provided up to a minimum of 50 thousand CZK and a maximum of 10 million CZK
- acquisition of (non-public) charging stations for electric vehicles within the business site for own use
- grant provided up to a minimum of 50 thousand CZK and a maximum of in accordance with the rules governing de minimis state aid

#### Activity b) Fast charging stations, energy storage and energy storage including installation of RES:

- grant provided up to a minimum of 50 thousand CZK and a maximum of 30 million CZK (in the case of eligible costs for the a combination of storage and charging stations or just charging stations up to the amount specified in the rules governing de minimis state aid)

#### Activity c) Secondary raw materials:

- grant provided up to a minimum of 1 million CZK and a maximum of 100 million CZK