



ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Strategy Implementation

Solid Waste Management Innovation Program

Description

Provincially owned and/or operated businesses, industry associations, post-secondary institutions and not-for-profits are eligible for a non-repayable contribution covering up to 100% of the eligible costs of researching and developing new or improved technology products, services and processes that support the implementation of the provincial Waste Management Strategy in Newfoundland and Labrador. Funding will be to a maximum of \$10,000.00.

Guiding Principles

This Program is intended to contribute to the fulfillment of a commitment made under the provincial Waste Management Strategy of 2002, to maximise the economic and business opportunities through government partnerships with business, industry associations, post-secondary institutions, and the federal government.

As part of this partnership, government and its agencies such as MMSB are to initiate and support directed research and development into value added products from solid waste at every stage of the provinces waste management hierarchy as follows:

1. **Reduce** the amount of waste created in the first place
2. **Reuse** materials and products rather than discard them
3. **Recycle** or reprocess waste into another useable form
4. **Recover** some useful benefit from waste
5. **Dispose** of waste material that has no further economic or environmental benefit

Eligible Projects

The research and development of a new or improved technology, product, service or process that supports the management of solid waste in Newfoundland and Labrador at any stage of the waste management hierarchy.

Ineligible Projects

Ineligible projects include but are not limited to the following:

- Waste audits
- Waste management studies
- Clean-ups

Eligible Project Costs

Eligible project costs shall be costs incremental to the project and shall normally include the following, unless specifically precluded by MMSB in individual circumstances:

- Product Development Costs
- Infrastructure
 - Leasing space or equipment
 - Site Improvements
 - Buildings
 - Machinery and Equipment purchased, constructed, rented or leased
- Intangible Assets (establishment of intellectual property rights, patents etc.)
- Start-up Costs
- Working Capital
- Labour costs essential to the project
- Materials used to produce sample products, prototypes and pilot plants
- Travel costs incurred solely for the project
- Testing services
- Acquiring technology rights

Ineligible Project Costs

Ineligible project costs include but are not limited to the following:

- Gifts and donations
- Alcohol refreshments for any occasion
- Costs incurred prior to funding approval

Application Process

1. Applicants are encouraged to contact the Business Development Officer at MMSB (709-757-0782) prior to submitting a proposal.
2. An applicant, by submitting an application, grants permission to MMSB to conduct any credit, background or reference checks MMSB may require on an applicant.
3. Applications will be assessed based upon the contents of the proposal which must include the following:
 - a. Project overview
 - b. Company/organization profile
 - i. History
 - ii. Management and key staff description (resumes)
 - iii. Demonstrate financial stability (where applicable)
 - iv. Demonstrate capability to successfully undertake the project

- c. Description of Project
 - i. List of activities to be carried out
 - ii. Location of activities to be carried out
 - iii. Implementation plan and timelines by activity
 - iv. Demonstrate maximization of local economic benefit
 - v. Demonstrate strategic importance of the project to the implementation of the provincial Waste Management Strategy
 - vi. Demonstrate uniqueness of work
 - vii. List of project deliverables
 - d. Project Budget
 - i. Total project cost by item and activity
 - ii. List of other funding partners and their contributions
4. Submit your application to the Business Development Officer of MMSB
5. Applications are assessed on an ongoing basis