Clean Energy Future Fund General conditions of agreement

These terms are indicative of those that will be in the funding agreement. They are provided without prejudice to the State's rights to add to, remove or amend any of the indicative terms.

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Grant payment	The State agrees to pay the grant provided under the funding agreement (grant) to the recipient at the times, and using the method specified, in the agreement, subject to the recipient satisfying all the conditions specified in this agreement.	
Milestone payments	The milestones will be developed on the basis of the proposed milestones outlined in the application. The milestone table will specify milestone payments to be made upon completion of milestones. The total of milestone payments should equal the approved grant.	
	If project costs are below the approved grant, or if a project is not completed in the allotted period, only eligible expenditure that has been paid will be considered.	
	No part payments of the grant will be made for partly achieved milestones, unless agreed in writing at least 30 days before the milestone due date.	
	On milestone completion, the recipient must provide a statement and evidence of completion, along with evidence of eligible costs incurred.	
	Milestone payments will be paid in arrears, upon milestone completion.	
Use of grant	The recipient must use the grant to carry out the project in accordance with this agreement. Expenditure must be sensible, reasonable and commercially prudent to be considered an eligible cost.	
	The recipient must meet all project milestones and complete the project by the date for project completion unless a variation is agreed by both parties failing which an event of default occurs.	
	If the recipient fails to comply with or meet a milestone, the State may impose additional milestones in relation to any aspect of the project or replace any milestones with new milestones.	
Eligible expenditure	The grant can only be applied to items that are characterised as eligible expenditure. This may include:	
	capital costs of renewable energy generation equipment.	
	essential enabling equipment, including equipment and structures for energy storage and conversion, system control equipment, and monitoring or communications equipment.	

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	•	non-equipment expenditure including design, professional services, transport, installation and commissioning required to achieve a project objective or milestone.
	•	project management costs and grant administration costs.
	Eligible	expenditure will not include:
	•	land acquisition.
	•	provision of venture capital by the applicant.
	•	costs associated with core business or business-as-usual activities.
	•	ongoing administrative and operational costs
	•	retrospective funding for work already undertaken.
	•	all works or purchases already underway, committed or completed at the time the funding was announced.
	•	maintenance of pre-existing installations or projects.
	•	costs of preparing applications.
Grant limit		point in time during the project, the grant must comprise no more % of the evidenced eligible expenditure for the project.
Advancing the grant	The Sta	ate will not advance the grant if the recipient is in default under the nent.
Banking of the grant	The rec	sipient must hold the grant in a bank account:
	•	in the recipient's name
	•	over which the recipient has sole control
	•	which the recipient has created for the sole purpose of receiving and using the grant
	•	which the recipient does not use for any other purpose than receiving and using the grant for the term.
Unused funds		ecipient does not use any part of the grant it must repay those s back to the State.
Additional expenditure		cipient is solely responsible for any expenditure in relation to the that exceeds the grant.
Leveraged funds	Leveraged funds means funds that the recipient has secured to satisfy the eligible expenditure required to complete the project, which do not comprise part of the grant.	
		sipient must identify the source of all leveraged funds and must use dentified leveraged funds to carry out the project and for no other e.

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	The recipient must provide evidence that the leveraged funds have been secured within six months of signing the funding agreement. If not so provided, the agreement will be terminated and the grant withdrawn. No grant moneys will be provided until evidence is provided that the leveraged funds have been obtained.	
Ongoing conditions	The recipient must ensure at all times:	
	• that the project is undertaken primarily in the State of Western Australia	
	that the project is completed within the term of the agreement	
	• that resources are allocated to successfully administer and deliver the project	
	 that it has the financial capacity to fund its contribution to the costs of the project, including ongoing operation and maintenance costs within the term of the agreement 	
	• the milestones are utilised to manage the delivery of the project.	
	The State may, at any time during the term, require that the recipient provide in writing evidence that the recipient is meeting one or more of the conditions of eligibility.	
Recipient's general	The recipient agrees that during the term of the agreement, the recipient:	
undertakings	• (representation or warranty incorrect) will notify the State if any representation or warranty the recipient has made is found to be incorrect or misleading	
	• (appropriate skills and expertise) will ensure that its obligations are carried out by people with appropriate skills and expertise	
	• (fit and proper person) will ensure that its obligations are carried out by people who are fit and proper persons	
	• (performance of obligations) will perform and observe its obligations under the agreement and will promptly inform the State of any occurrence which might materially adversely affect its ability to perform	
	• (authorisations) will comply with the terms of each authorisation necessary to enter into this agreement and keep current all required authorisations	
	• (acknowledge) acknowledges that funding provided under this agreement is public money and is subject to compliance by the recipient with the terms of the grant as detailed in this agreement	
	• (undertake) will undertake its responsibilities under this agreement with integrity, good faith and probity in accordance with good corporate governance practices	
	 (no transfer or assignment) will not, nor attempt to, sell, transfer, assign, mortgage, charge or otherwise dispose of or deal 	

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	with any of its rights, entitlements and powers or obligations under this agreement without the State's consent.	
	(cooperate) will cooperate fully with the State in the administration of the agreement	
	(Laws) it will comply with all relevant law	
	(inspection) it will permit the State to enter the recipient's premises at any reasonable time to determine whether the recipient is performing its obligations under this agreement, provided that any person entering the recipient's premises does so in a manner so as to cause minimal disruption to the recipient's business	
Recipient's warranties	The recipient represents and warrants that:	
	it has the power to enter into and observe its obligations	
	its obligations are valid, binding and enforceable	
	it will obtain and keep current all necessary authorisations, registrations, consents, approvals licences and permits	
	it is not aware of any litigation, arbitration or administrative proceedings currently taking place, pending or threatened against the recipient which could have materially adverse effect on the recipient's ability to perform this agreement	
	as far as the recipient is aware, the agreement and performance under it does not violate any law or government order or decree or any consent, registration, approval, licence or permit or agreement, order or award binding on the recipient	
	all information provided by the recipient to the State relating to the recipient's affairs and this agreement are true, accurate and complete	
	it has, after diligent inquiry and investigation, fully disclosed to the State all material information which could reasonably be regarded as affecting in any way the State's decision to enter into this agreement	
	it will comply with all prior representations made by it in connection with the recipient or this agreement.	
Recipient diligence	The recipient must carry out the project fully, properly, competently, carefully, diligently and efficiently in accordance with the approved application and the terms and conditions of this agreement. The recipient must use the grant efficiently and not extravagantly, wastefully or irresponsibly.	
Notification to State	The recipient must:	
	promptly notify the State of any actual, pending or threatened claim against the recipient	

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	immediately notify the State if the recipient is in breach of any law or authorisation or receives an audit qualification
	• immediately notify the State if the recipient becomes aware of any fraud or corruption in relation to the project, the grant, any interest which accrues on the grant, or the agreement.
No changes	The recipient must not make any changes to the project, the approved application, the milestones or any agreed budget without the prior written consent of the State.
	The recipient must immediately notify the State in writing if any part of the grant has not been used in accordance with this agreement.
	In the event of breach, the recipient must repay to the State any part of the grant which has not been used in accordance with this agreement.
Benefits to WA	The recipient will seek to ensure that the project delivers benefits and opportunities to Western Australia consistent with the objectives of the fund.
Assets	The recipient must:
	follow ordinary and commercially prudent procedures and arrangements for the purchase, installation, maintenance and preservation of the assets purchased with the grant.
	ensure that all assets purchased with the grant must be available for priority use for the project.
	keep assets purchased with the grant within Western Australia unless otherwise permitted by the State.
	 not sell, transfer, dispose of, mortgage, charge or otherwise encumber assets purchased with the grant without the State's consent.
Knowledge sharing, acknowledgements,	The parties will agree to knowledge sharing provisions and these will be written into the agreement.
publications and publicities	The recipient should share outcomes of the project with potential end- users, relevant stakeholders and the community at large.
	The recipient is not required to disclose any information which may prejudice the protection or commercialisation of any intellectual property created under or in connection with the project.
	The recipient must notify the State of the reasons for its inability or unwillingness to disclose information under this agreement.
	The recipient must acknowledge the State for its part in the project at relevant conferences and project launches, and media events relating to the project are to be coordinated with the State.
	The State acknowledges that there may be occasions where it is inappropriate to acknowledge the State at commercially sponsored events and programs.

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Limitation of liability	The recipient releases the State from all liability in relation to the project this agreement and any related matter.	
	The recipient must indemnify the State against all claims or liability, suffered or incurred by or brought against the State caused by, arising out of or relating directly or indirectly to any:	
	breach of any provision by the recipient	
	act or omission of the recipient	
	breach of a law by the recipient.	
	This indemnity is reduced to the extent that the indemnified party caused or contributed to the liability or damage.	
Reporting	The recipient must keep detailed, accurate, complete and up-to-date records of:	
	income, expenditure and financial commitments in relation to the project	
	the activities, performance, progress, successes, achievements, setbacks, failures and remedial actions of and associated with the project.	
	The recipient must comply with the reporting requirements which require:	
	an annual report (including a financial report and a project report)	
	a milestone report for each milestone	
	a progress report (on request from the State)	
	a final report (at completion of the project).	
	All such reports must be in writing and properly detailed, accurate, complete and up to date.	
Evaluation	The recipient must contribute to, and participate in, evaluation relating to the project during the term, and for at least four years after the conclusion of this agreement.	
Information	If the State requires the recipient to provide to the State, any information and documents in connection with the project, the recipient must provide the information and documents within five business days.	
Audit rights	The State may arrange, at its own cost, for an independent audit to be carried out of the recipient's activities and finances that relate directly to the project and the grant. If the State arranges for an independent audit to be carried out the recipient must provide the State with access to the recipient's financial records.	

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Freedom of Information Act 1992, Financial Management Act 2006	Informa relation	reement and information regarding it, is subject to the <i>Freedom of ation Act</i> 1992. The State may publicly disclose information in to this agreement, including its terms and the details of the at if required under any legislative provision.
Auditor General Act 2006	To the extent permitted by law, the recipient must allow the auditor general to have access to and audit, review, examine or evaluate the recipient's records and information concerning either or both this agreement and the project.	
Insurance to be obtained and maintained	The recipient must obtain and maintain the following insurances with an appropriate insurer and provide certificates of currency with the first milestone report and each annual report:	
	•	Workers' compensation in accordance with statutory requirements
	•	Public liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$20,000,000 per claim
	•	Professional indemnity insurance in the minimum amount of \$10,000,000 per claim.
Termination	Default	
	If an ev	ent of default occurs, the State may terminate the agreement.
	An ever	nt of default includes but is not limited to:
	•	progress of the project is not, in the opinion of the State, satisfactory
	•	the recipient breaches any provision of the agreement and does not remedy that breach in five (5) business days
	•	the recipient fails to comply with or meet a milestone or a new agreed milestone or fails to complete the project within five years of the project commencement
	•	the recipient becomes insolvent
	•	the State reasonably believes that the recipient is unwilling or unable to comply with any one or more of the provisions of the agreement
	•	the recipient repudiates the agreement, or the agreement becomes void or unenforceable or the parties agree to terminate the agreement
	•	a material warranty given by or representation made by the recipient is or becomes untrue
	•	the recipient persistently, regularly, consistently or continually breaches the provisions
	•	the reputation of the State or the department is, or is likely to be, damaged by any act or omission of, or any conduct by, the recipient.

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	If the agreement is terminated:
	the State is not required to pay the recipient any unpaid part of the grant
	the recipient must not incur any further commitments or make any further expenditure relating to the project unless the State permits it
	the State may demand that part or all of the grant is repaid to the State within 20 business days
	If the recipient is in breach of this agreement, the State may suspend payment of the grant until the recipient has remedied the breach.
	Project no longer necessary
	The State may terminate the agreement by providing notice in writing to the recipient if, in the opinion of the State exercisable in its absolute discretion, the project is no longer necessary for any reason and the agreement is then terminated from the date specified in that notice.
Repayment and retention of the funding	At the completion of the project or the expiration or termination of this agreement (whichever occurs first):
	the recipient must remit to the State within 20 business days any part of the grant which the State has paid, and which has not been used or committed in accordance with this agreement
	the State will retain any unpaid part of the grant which the recipient has not committed or will not use in accordance with this agreement.
Agreement between the recipient and a third party	If the recipient enters into an agreement with any other party relating to this agreement and the grant (third-party agreement), the recipient must ensure that the other party:
	 has obligations in the third-party agreement which, if properly fulfilled, will ensure that the recipient properly fulfils its corresponding obligations under the agreement
	agrees to the recipient providing the State with any documents and information provided to the recipient and to the State attending any meetings it has with the recipient.
Access to land	If the project is being undertaken on land (whether freehold or Crown land) that is not owned, leased or managed by the recipient, the recipient must obtain before it enters or occupies that land, and keep in place whilst the recipient is on or occupying that land, the written consent of the person owning or leasing that land to such entry or occupation by the recipient. A copy of this consent is to be provided to the State.
Intellectual property	Ownership of intellectual property rights in New Material
	All intellectual property rights in all New Material are vested in the recipient.
	Licence of intellectual property rights in New Material

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The recipient grants to the State an irrevocable perpetual, non-exclusive, royalty-free licence to use, adapt and re-produce any new material solely for the permitted purpose.

Existing Material - Licence

The recipient grants, and must ensure that any other owner of any intellectual property rights (other than moral rights) grants, to the State an irrevocable, perpetual, royalty-free, non-exclusive licence to exercise the rights of an owner of intellectual property rights in the existing material solely for the permitted purpose.

If a third party owns moral rights in any existing material, the recipient must obtain consent and waiver from the third-party owner in relation to his or her moral rights to enable the State to use the existing material solely for the permitted purpose without regard to the third party's moral rights.

Existing Material broadly means material that the recipient developed before the date of the agreement.

New Material means anything created by the recipient under this agreement in which intellectual property rights subsist.

Permitted Purpose in respect of the existing material means for the sole purpose of the State complying with its respective public accountability obligations, and only to the extent that this compliance does not involve or result in:

- the Existing Material being commercially exploited
- commercial disadvantage to the recipient.

Permitted Purpose in respect of the New Material means:

- for the purpose of the State promoting the Clean Energy Future Fund and the project
- other permitted purposes as agreed between the State and the recipient.

Dispute resolution

The agreement requires the parties to attempt to resolve any disputes through direct negotiation between one or more senior representatives from each party.

If parties fail to resolve the dispute within 30 business days of receipt of a written notice, the State must advise the Executive Group of the dispute in writing.

If the Executive Group deems the dispute unresolved within 30 business days from lodgement of the notice with the Executive Group, the parties must jointly refer the dispute to the Joint Ministers for resolution.

If there is no resolution of the dispute within 20 business days of the dispute being referred to the Joint Ministers, any party may commence legal proceedings.

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GST	Prices do not include GST	
	All prices or other amounts fixed or determined under the agreement are exclusive of GST, except where expressed otherwise in the agreement.	
	Recipient must pay GST	
	If GST is payable by a party (supplier) in relation to any supply that it makes under the agreement, the parties agree that, in addition to the cost of that supply, the recipient must pay to the supplier the amount of any GST for which the supplier is liable in relation to that supply (additional amount).	
Variation	Any variation to the agreement must be made in writing and be executed by both parties.	
	It is at the State's discretion whether it agrees to a variation proposed by the recipient.	
State's rights	The State reserves the right to administer the Clean Energy Future Fund in such manner as it sees fit and may:	
	change the scope, structure, purpose, processes, procedures, terms of participation in and timing of the fund	
	request additional information or clarification from any recipient or conduct due diligence	
	take into account any information from its own and other sources	
	accept or reject any invoice, having regard to any other matter or thing which the State considers relevant	
	exercise a right or discretion, or perform or not perform any act	
	terminate the participation of any recipient in the fund	
	terminate or not proceed with the fund in the manner outlined at the time of application, or at all.	
Force majeure	If any party is prevented from or delayed in performing an obligation by any event or occurrences beyond its reasonable control (such as weather, oceanic conditions, outbreak, epidemic or pandemic) and promptly acts to mitigate the event or occurrence, the party's obligation is suspended for a period which is reasonable in the circumstance.	
	If the event or occurrence extends for more than six months, then either party can lawfully terminate this agreement without any further obligations accruing to any party.	