NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Information communicated by Member States regarding State aid granted under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001

(2008/C 155/05)

Aid No: XA 273/07

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: Območje občine Rače-Fram

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid:

Dodeljevanje državnih pomoči za programe razvoja kmetijstva in podeželja v občini Rače-Fram

Legal basis:

Pravilnik o dodeljevanju državnih pomoči, pomoči de minimis in izvajanju drugih ukrepov razvoja kmetijstva in podeželja v občini Rače-Fram

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:

2007: EUR 72 500

2008: EUR 72 500

2009: EUR 72 500

2010: EUR 72 500

2011: EUR 72 500

2012: EUR 72 500

2013: EUR 72 500

Maximum aid intensity:

- 1. Investment in agricultural holdings for primary production:
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs in less-favoured areas or up to 40 % of eligible costs in other areas,
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs for investment in other areas, if the investment is made by young farmers within five years of setting up their farm, is included in the business plan and meets the conditions set out in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006.

The purpose of the aid is investment to restore farm features and to purchase equipment to be used for agricultural production, to invest in permanent crops, to improve farmland and to manage pastures.

- 2. Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings:
 - up to 60 % of eligible costs, or up to 75 % in less-favoured areas, for investment to conserve the heritage features of productive assets, provided that the investment does not entail any increase in the production capacity of the farm,
 - up to 100 % of eligible costs for investment for the purposes of conserving non-productive heritage located on farms (sites of archaeological and historical interest),
 - additional aid may be granted at a rate of up to 100 % to cover the extra costs incurred by using traditional materials necessary to maintain the heritage features of buildings.
- 3. Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums:
 - the amount of municipal co-financing is the difference between the amount of co-financing of insurance premiums from the national budget and up to 50 % of eligible costs of insurance premiums for insuring crops and fruit and insuring livestock against disease.
- 4. Aid for land reparcelling:
 - up to 70 % of eligible legal and administrative costs incurred.
- 5. Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products:
 - the aid is granted in the form of subsidised services to cover up to 70 % of costs and does not involve direct payments to producers.
- 6. Provision of technical support:
 - up to 70 % of eligible costs concerning education and training, consultancy services, the organisation of forums, competitions, exhibitions and fairs, the dissemination of scientific findings, and publications, such as catalogues and websites. The aid is granted in the form of subsidised services and does not involve direct payments to producers

Date of implementation:

October 2007 (The aid will not be granted until a summary has been published on the European Commission's website)

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: Until 31 December 2013

Objective of the aid: To support SMEs

Reference to Articles of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and eligible costs:

Chapter II of the draft Rules on granting State aid and *de minimis* aid and implementing other rural development measures in the municipality of Rače-Fram includes measures constituting State aid in accordance with the following Articles of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 of 15 December 2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001 (OJ L 358, 16.12.2006, p. 3):

- Article 4: Investment in agricultural holdings,
- Article 5: Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings,
- Article 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums,
- Article 13: Aid for land reparcelling,
- Article 14: Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products,
- Article 15: Provision of technical support

Economic sector(s) concerned: Agriculture

Name and address of the granting authority:

Občina Rače-Fram Grajski trg 14 SLO-2327 Rače

Website:

http://www.race-fram.si/dokument.aspx?id=2829

Other information: The measure for the payment of insurance premiums to insure crops and fruit includes the following adverse climatic events which can be assimilated to natural disasters: spring frost, hail, lightning, fire caused by lightning, storm and floods.

The municipality's Rules meet the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 concerning the measures to be adopted by the municipality and the general provisions applicable (steps preceding grant of aid, cumulation, transparency and monitoring of aid)

Aid No: XA 276/07

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: Območje občine Kostanjevica na Krki

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid:

Finančna sredstva za ohranjanje in spodbujanje razvoja kmetijstva in podeželja v občini Kostanjevica na Krki

Legal basis:

Pravilnik o ohranjanju in spodbujanju razvoja kmetijstva in podeželja v občini Kostanjevica na Krki za programsko obdobje 2007–2013

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:

2007: EUR 11 000

2008: EUR 20 000

2009: EUR 30 000

2010: EUR 30 000

2011: EUR 30 000

2012: EUR 30 000

2013: EUR 30 000

Maximum aid intensity:

- 1. Investment in agricultural holdings:
 - 50 % of eligible costs in less-favoured areas,
 - 40 % of eligible costs in other areas,
 - where the share of aid for investment in farms applies to young farmers within five years of setting up, the farmer concerned must be under 40 years of age, have acquired ownership for the first time, be permanently resident at the farm, undertake to conduct activity in accordance with the farm management plan, and to remain as the head and owner of the agricultural holding for at least five years after receiving the aid, the share of public funding is 10 % higher,
 - the aid is to be granted for investment in the restoration of farm features and the purchase of equipment to be used for agricultural production, and for investment in permanent crops, farmland improvement and pasture management.
- 2. Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings:
 - up to 100 % of real costs in the case of non-productive features,
 - up to 60 % of actual costs, or up to 75 % in less-favoured areas, in the case of productive assets on farms (farm buildings: granaries, drying frames, beehives, mills, sawmills), provided that the investment does not entail any increase in the production capacity of the farm,

- additional aid may be granted at a rate of up to 100 % to cover the extra costs incurred by using traditional materials necessary to maintain the heritage features of buildings.
- 3. Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums:
 - the amount of municipal co-financing is the difference between the amount of co-financing of insurance premiums from the national budget and up to 50 % of eligible costs of an insurance premium for insuring crops and fruit and insuring livestock against disease.
- 4. Aid for land reparcelling:
 - up to 100 % of eligible legal and administrative costs.
- 5. Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products:
 - aid is to be granted at a rate of up to 100 % of costs in the form of subsidised services and must not involve direct payments of money to producers.
- 6. Provision of technical support in the agricultural sector:
 - aid is to be granted at a rate of up to 100 % of costs concerning training courses and consultations, the organisation of forums, fairs and exhibitions, the dissemination of scientific knowledge and publications. The aid is to be granted in the form of subsidised services and must not involve direct payments of money to producers

Date of implementation:

October 2007 (The aid will not be granted until a summary has been published on the European Commission's website)

Duration of scheme or individual aid award:

Until 31 December 2013

Objective of aid: To support agricultural holdings, micro-businesses

Reference to Articles of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and eligible costs:

Chapter II of the draft Rules on preserving and promoting the development of agriculture and rural areas in the municipality of Kostanjevica na Krki for the programming period 2007-2013 includes measures constituting State aid in accordance with the following Articles of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 of 15 December 2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001 (OJ L 358, 16.12.2006, p. 3):

- Article 4: Investment in agricultural holdings,
- Article 5: Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings,
- Article 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums,
- Article 13: Aid for land reparcelling,

- Article 14: Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products,
- Article 15: Provision of technical support in the agricultural sector

Economic sector(s) concerned: Agriculture

Name and address of granting authority:

Občina Kostanjevica na Krki Ljubljanska cesta 7 SLO-8311 Kostanjevica na Krki

Website

http://www.uradni-list.si/1/ulonline.jsp?urlid=200787&dhid=91625

Other information: The measure for the payment of insurance premiums to insure crops and fruit includes the following adverse climatic events which can be assimilated to natural disasters: spring frost, hail, lightning, fire caused by lightning, storm and floods.

The municipality's Rules meet the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 concerning the measures to be adopted by the municipality and the general provisions applicable (steps preceding grant of aid, cumulation, transparency and monitoring of aid)

Signature of person responsible

Župan Mojmir PUSTOSLEMŠEK

Aid No: XA 277/07

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: Območje občine Videm

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid:

Dodeljevanje državnih pomoči za programe razvoja podeželja v občini Videm

Legal basis:

Pravilnik o dodeljevanju državnih pomoči in drugih pomoči, ter ukrepov za programe razvoja podeželja v občini Videm

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:

2007: EUR 12 074

2008: EUR 12 500

2009: EUR 13 000

2010: EUR 13 500

2011: EUR 14 000

2012: EUR 14 500

2013: EUR 15 000

Maximum aid intensity:

- 1. Investment in agricultural holdings for primary production:
 - up to 50 % of eligible investment in less-favoured areas,
 - up to 40 % of eligible investments in other areas,
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs in other regions, in the case of investments made by young farmers within five years of setting up.

The aid is to be granted for investment in the restoration of farm features and the purchase of equipment to be used for agricultural production, and for investment in permanent crops, farmland improvement and pasture management.

- 2. Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings:
 - up to 60 % of actual costs, or 75 % in less-favoured areas, for investment in productive assets on farms, provided that the investment does not entail any increase in the production capacity of the farm,
 - up to 100 % of eligible costs for investment for the purposes of conserving non-productive heritage features located on agricultural holdings (sites of archaeological or historical interest),
 - additional aid may be granted at a rate of up to 100 % to cover the extra costs incurred by using traditional materials necessary to maintain the heritage features of the building.
- 3. Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums:
 - municipal support for cofinancing is the difference between the amount of co-financing of insurance premiums from the national budget and up to 50 % of eligible costs of an insurance premium for insuring crops and fruit and insuring livestock against disease.
- 4. Aid for land reparcelling:
 - up to 100 % of eligible legal and administrative costs, including survey costs.
- 5. Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products:
 - aid is to be granted at a rate of up to 100 % of costs in the form of subsidised services and must not involve direct payments of money to producers.
- 6. Provision of technical support in the agricultural sector:
 - aid is to be granted at a rate of up to 100 % of costs concerning education and training for farmers, replacement services during the absence of the farmer on

account of illness or holidays, consultancy services provided by third parties, the organisation of forums, competitions, exhibitions and fairs, and publications such as catalogues and websites. The aid is to be granted in the form of subsidised services and must not involve direct payments of money to producers

Date of implementation:

October 2007 (The aid will not be granted until a summary has been published on the European Commission's website)

Duration of scheme or individual aid award:

Until 31 December 2013

Objective of aid: To support SMEs

Reference to Articles of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and eligible costs:

Chapter II of the draft Rules on granting State aid and other aid and measures for rural development programmes in the municipality of Videm includes measures constituting State aid in accordance with the following Articles of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 of 15 December 2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001 (OJ L 358, 16.12.2006, p. 3):

- Article 4: Investment in agricultural holdings,
- Article 5: Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings,
- Article 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums,
- Article 13: Aid for land reparcelling,
- Article 14: Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products,
- Article 15: Provision of technical support in the agricultural sector

Economic sector(s) concerned: Agriculture

Name and address of granting authority:

Občina Videm Videm pri Ptuju 54 SLO-2284 Videm pri Ptuju

Website:

 $http://ls.lex-localis.info/UradnoGlasiloObcin/VsebinaDokumenta. \\ aspx?SectionID=fddd663f-924f-4244-9a05-d3389bdf4bbc$

Other information: The measure for the payment of insurance premiums to insure crops and fruit includes the following adverse climatic events which can be assimilated to natural disasters: spring frost, hail, lightning, fire caused by lightning, storm and floods.

The municipality's Rules meet the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 concerning the measures to be adopted by the municipality and the general provisions applicable (steps preceding grant of aid, cumulation, transparency and monitoring of aid)

Signature of person responsible

Direktorica občinske uprave občine Videm Mag. Darinka RATAJC

Aid No: XA 278/07

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: Območje občine Jesenice

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid:

Programi razvoja podeželja v občini Jesenice 2007-2013

Legal basis:

Pravilnik o dodelitvi pomoči za ohranjanje in razvoj kmetijstva, gozdarstva in podeželja v občini Jesenice (II. poglavje Pravilnika)

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:

Annual expenditure planned:

2007: EUR 39 642

2008: EUR 40 476

2009: EUR 41 312

2010: EUR 42 147

2011: EUR 42 981

2012: EUR 43 884

2013: EUR 44 805

Maximum aid intensity:

- 1. Investment in agricultural holdings for primary production:
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs in less-favoured areas and up to 40 % of eligible costs for investment in other areas.

The aid is to be granted for investment in the restoration of farm features and the purchase of equipment to be used for agricultural production, and for investment in permanent crops, farmland improvement and pasture management.

- 2. Aid for the conservation of traditional buildings:
 - up to 100 % of eligible costs in the case of non-productive features.
 - up to 60 % of eligible costs for investment in productive assets, provided that the investment does not entail any increase in the production capacity of the farm, or 75 % in less-favoured areas.
- 3. Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums:
 - the difference between the amount of co-financing of insurance premiums from the national budget and up to 50 % of eligible costs of an insurance premium for insuring crops and fruit and insuring livestock against disease.
- 4. Aid for land reparcelling:
 - up to 50 % of actual legal and administrative costs incurred.
- 5. Aid for providing technical support in the agricultural sector:
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs concerning education and training for farmers, consultancy services, the organisation of forums, competitions, exhibitions and fairs, publications, catalogues and websites, and replacement services for farmers. The aid is to be granted in the form of subsidised services and does not involve direct payments of money to producers

Date of implementation:

October 2007 (The aid will not be granted until a summary has been published on the European Commission's website)

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: Until 31 December 2013

Objective of aid: To support SMEs

Reference to Articles of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and eligible costs:

Chapter II of the draft Rules on granting aid for the preservation and development of agriculture, forestry and rural areas in the municipality of Jesenice includes measures constituting State aid in accordance with the following Articles of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 of 15 December 2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001 (OJ L 358, 16.12.2006, p. 3):

- Article 4: Investment in agricultural holdings,
- Article 5: Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings,

- Article 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums,
- Article 13: Aid for land reparcelling,
- Article 15: Provision of technical support in the agricultural sector

Economic sector(s) concerned: Agriculture

Name and address of granting authority:

Občina Jesenice Cesta železarjev 6 SLO-4270 Jesenice

Website:

http://www.uradni-list.si/_pdf/2007/Ur/u2007087.pdf

Other information: The measure for the payment of insurance premiums to insure crops and fruit includes the following adverse climatic events which can be assimilated to natural disasters: spring frost, hail, lightning, fire caused by lightning, storm and floods.

The municipality's Rules meet the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 concerning the measures to be adopted by the municipality and the general provisions applicable (steps preceding grant of aid, cumulation, transparency and monitoring of aid)