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 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 279/07)

Aid No: XA 269/08

Member State: Kingdom of Spain

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Region: Comunidad Valenciana

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Resolución de 7 de marzo de 2008 de la Consellería de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación, por la que se adjudican a Agroalimed determinadas tareas

Legal basis: Proyecto de resolución de 7 de marzo de 2008, de la Consellería de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación, por la que se adjudican a Agroalimed determinadas tareas

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: EUR 1 722 000

Maximum intensity of aid: 100 % of the eligible expenditure

Date of implementation: From the date on which the registration number of the exemption request is published on the website of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: Year 2008, and can be extended annually if it is provided for in the budgets

Objective of aid:

To ensure execution of the actions provided for in the Decision of 23 January 2008 of the Director-General for Agricultural Production approving the Annual Animal Health Plan for 2008 and implementing the measures contained therein. (D.O.C.V. No 48621, 14 February 2008).

The aid is granted under Article 10(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 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. The eligible expenses are those relating to visits to holdings by vets, the administration of vaccines and sampling or the performance of certain diagnostic tests, all with a view to controlling certain diseases.

It is also covered by Article 14(b) as regards the introduction of animal identification systems which guarantee traceability of production, the eligible expense being that of implanting the identification system on the animals

Sector(s) concerned: Small livestock businesses in the Comunidad Valenciana which are on the Comunidad's Register of Livestock Holdings for pigs, bovines, sheep, goats, rabbits, bees and equines

Name and address of the granting authority:

Fundación Agroalimed Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Agrarias Ctra. Moncada- Náquera, Km 5 E-46113 Moncada (Valencia)

Website:

http://www.agricultura.gva.es/especiales/ayudas_agrarias/pdf/AGROALIMED.pdf

Other information: —

Valencia, 13 June 2008.

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Aid No: XA 270/08

Member State: Spain

Region: Comunidad Valenciana

Name of company receiving individual aid: Federación Cunícola Valenciana

Legal basis: Resolución de la Consellera de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación, que concede la subvención basada en una línea nominativa descrita en la ley 15/2007 de presupuestos de la Generalitat

Annual expenditure planned: EUR 30 000 in 2008

Maximum intensity of aid: 100 %

Date of implementation: From the date on which the registration number of the exemption request is published on the website of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

Duration of individual aid award: Year 2008

Objective of aid:

Training, promotion and dissemination of livestock production in accordance with market requirements, with respect to food safety and traceability for the rabbit sector in the Comunidad Valenciana (Articles 14 and 15 of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006).

Includes eligible costs of services, human resources and materials, and expenditure relating to attendance at information days and meetings on health and hygiene aspects of rabbit production which relate to the subject of the aid Sector(s) concerned: The rabbit sector

Name and address of the granting authority:

Consellería de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación Amadeo de Saboya, 2 E-46010 Valencia

Other information: —

Website:

http://www.agricultura.gva.es/especiales/ayudas_agrarias/pdf/ FeVaCunicola.pdf

Valencia, 26 June 2008.

Laura PEÑARROYA FABREGAT La Directora General de Producción Agraria

Aid No: XA 273/08

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: —

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid: Sofinanciranje zavarovalnih premij za zavarovanje kmetijske proizvodnje za leto 2008

Legal basis: Uredba o sofinanciranju zavarovalnih premij za zavarovanje kmetijske proizvodnje in ribištva za leto 2008

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: The expenditure planned for 2008 totals EUR 6 076 950

Maximum aid intensity:

The co-financing covers 40 % of expenditure on insurance premiums for insuring crops and fruit against the risks of hail, fire, lightning, spring frost, storm and floods.

As regards insurance of animals against the risks of destruction, slaughter on the orders of a veterinary surgeon and economic slaughter on account of disease, the co-financing of insurance premiums is determined in absolute terms per species and category of animal but may not be more than 50 % of the justified expenditure on insurance premiums

Date of implementation: Date of implementation: July 2008 (the aid will not be granted until the summary has been published on the European Commission's website)

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: The aid may be granted up to 31.12.2008

Objective of aid: To support SMEs

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

The Decree includes measures and eligible costs constituting State aid in accordance with Article 12 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 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums

Sectors: Agriculture

Name and address of the granting authority:

Ministrstvo za kmetijstvo, gozdarstvo in prehrano Dunajska cesta 58 SLO-1000 Ljubljana

Agencija RS za kmetijske trge in razvoj podeželja Dunajska cesta 160 SLO-1000 Ljubljana

Website:

http://www.uradni-list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=200868&objava=2965

Other information:

The purpose of paying a proportion of the expenditure on insurance premiums is to encourage agricultural producers to insure themselves against potential losses due to natural disasters or adverse weather conditions, as well as losses due to disease in animals, whilst taking responsibility for reducing risk in the area of plant production and livestock farming.

For fire, only damage arising from fires caused by adverse weather conditions, e.g. a lightning strike, is covered.

The draft Decree meets the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 on aid towards the payment of insurance premiums and the general provisions applicable (steps preceding grant of aid, cumulation, transparency and monitoring of aid).

Amendments to the summary include changes to the legal basis and updating of the internet address. Scheme XA 424/07 will cease to apply on the day that this scheme enters into force

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Aid No: XA 274/08

Member State: Republic of Slovenia

Region: Območje občine Rečica ob Savinji

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid: Programi razvoja podeželja v občini Rečica ob Savinji 2008–2013 **Legal basis:** Pravilnik o dodeljevanju pomoči za ohranjanje in razvoj kmetijstva in podeželja v občini Rečica ob Savinji za programsko obdobje 2008–2013 (II. poglavje)

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

2008: EUR 22 250

2009: EUR 18 000

2010: EUR 18 000

2011: EUR 17 000

2012: EUR 17 000

2013: EUR 17 000

Maximum aid intensity:

- 1. Investment in agricultural holdings for primary production:
 - up to 50 % of eligible costs in less-favoured areas,
 - up to 40 % of eligible costs in other areas,
 - where the investment concerns young farmers, the intensity of aid may be increased by 10 % (such investments must be set out in business plans as stipulated in Article 22(c) and the conditions laid down in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2006 must be met). The investment must be made within five years of taking over the farm.
- 2. Conservation of traditional landscapes and buildings:
 - up to 100 % of actual costs for investment in non-productive features,
 - up to 75 % of actual costs for investment in productive assets on farms in less-favoured areas, or 60 % in other areas,
 - up to 100 % of aid to cover the extra costs incurred by using traditional materials necessary to conserve the heritage features of buildings.
- 3. Relocation of farm buildings in the public interest:
 - up to 100 % of actual costs, provided that relocation involves only dismantling, removing and re-building existing buildings,
 - where the relocation results in the farmer benefiting from more modern facilities, the farmer must contribute at least 60 %, or 50 % in less-favoured areas, of the increase in the value of the facilities concerned after relocation. If the beneficiary is a young farmer, this contribution is to be at least 55 % or 45 % respectively,
 - where the relocation results in an increase in production capacity, the contribution from the beneficiary must be at least 60 %, or 50 % in less-favoured areas, of the expenses relating to this increase. If the beneficiary is a

young farmer, this contribution is to be at least 55 % or 45 % respectively.

- 4. 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.
- 5. Aid for land reparcelling:
 - up to 100 % of eligible legal and administrative costs.
- 6. Aid to encourage the production of quality agricultural products:
 - up to 100 % of the maximum aid intensity authorised; this is to be provided in the form of subsidised services and does not involve direct payments of money to producers.
- 7. Provision of technical support:
 - up to 100 % of the costs,
 - 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: August 2008 (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 in Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and eligible costs:

Chapter II of the draft Rules on granting aid for preserving and developing agriculture and rural areas in the municipality of Rečica ob Savinji for the programming period 2008-2013 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 6: Relocation of farm buildings in the public interest,
- Article 12: Aid towards the payment of insurance premiums,

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- 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 Rečica ob Savinji Rečica ob Savinji 55 SLO-3332 Rečica ob Savinji

Website:

http://www.uradni-list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=200855&objava=2324

Other information:

The measure concerning 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, fire, 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)

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