NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Summary information on State aid granted pursuant to Commission Regulation (EC) No 736/2008 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, processing and marketing of fisheries products

(2011/C 122/07)

Aid No: XF 31/10

Member State: Republic of Estonia

Region/Authority granting the aid: Maksu- ja Tolliamet

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid: Kalandustoodete tootjale eriotstarbelise diislikütuse ja kerge kütteõli aktsiisimaksu vabastus

Legal basis: Eesti Vabariigi Riigikogu poolt 4. detsembril 2002 vastu võetud seaduse "Alkoholi-, tubaka- ja kütuse- ja elektriaktsiisi seadus" paragrahvi 27 lõike 1 punkt 22².

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: The scheme provides for aid of EEK 50 000 (EUR 3 195) each year for fishermen fishing in inland waters.

Maximum aid intensity: The maximum aid intensity is the amount laid down in Section 66(7) of the Alcohol, Tobacco, Fuel and Electricity Excise Duty Act. On 1 January 2010 the rate of excise duty for 1 000 litres of diesel fuel for specific purposes or light fuel oil was set at EEK 1 736; this amount may change in the event of an increase in excise duty on fuel.

Date of entry into force: The exemption from excise duty will apply from 1 January 2011.

Duration of scheme: 31 December 2013.

Objective of aid: The objective is to assist SMEs by exempting them from excise duty on diesel for specific purposes and light fuel oil in 2011.

Article applicable: Article 24 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 736/2008

Activity concerned: Inland fisheries

Name and address of the granting authority:

Maksu- ja Tolliamet Narva mnt 9j 15176 Tallinn EESTI/ESTONIA

Website:

http://www.riigiteataja.ee/ert/act.jsp?id=13279879

Grounds: While fishermen fishing at sea are covered by Council Directive 2003/96/EC restructuring the Community framework for the taxation of energy products and electricity, meaning they have the possibility of using tax-free fuel, the tax exemption provided for in the Directive does not automatically cover fishermen fishing in inland waters. This aid scheme is being implemented in order to ensure the principles of equal treatment and transparency of competition are also applied to fishermen fishing in inland waters.

Aid No: XF 32/10

Member State: Italy

Region/Authority granting the aid: Regione Autonoma della Sardegna

Title of aid scheme/name of company receiving ad hoc aid: Legge regionale n. 3/2006, art. 6 — Misure per migliorare la sostenibilità della pesca marittima nelle acque prospicienti il territorio della Sardegna: arresto temporaneo per le unità abilitate ai sistemi di pesca a strascico e/o volante anno 2010

Legal basis: Decreto n. 2000/DecA/76 del 30 luglio 2010 dell'Assessore dell'Agricoltura e riforma agro-pastorale, Legge regionale 14 aprile 2006 n. 3 art. 6, Legge Regionale 14 maggio 2009, n. 1, art. 4, comma 27, Legge regionale 28 dicembre 2009, n. 6

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or amount of ad hoc aid granted: EUR 1 500 000

Maximum aid intensity:

Aid is granted in accordance with the provisions of Article 24(1)(v) of Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 and paid out in accordance with Annex II to that Regulation, pursuant to Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 736/2008 of 22 July 2008. In order to ensure equal treatment both among the companies and among the seafarers concerned by the temporary cessation, under regional funding:

 fishing companies may be eligible for a premium equal to the remaining 50 % of the national aid granted according to Table 2 of the Decree of the Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF) of 23 June 2010 so as to level the aid granted at national level for the regions covered by the Convergence objective (Table 1),

— seafarers of fishing vessels concerned by the temporary cessation may be eligible for a premium calculated on the basis of the minimum wage, according to the tables contained in the reference national collective agreement for the sector as provided for by the EFF Operational Programme for the implementation of Measure 1.2 'Public aid for temporary cessation', in accordance with the measure laid down in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 and with Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 736/2008 of 22 July 2008.

Date of entry into force: 1 October 2010

Duration of the scheme or individual aid award (not later than 30 June 2014); indicate: 31 December 2013

Objective of aid: To provide socio-economic compensation to seafarers and financial incentives for vessel owners for good behaviour in accordance with Measure 1.2 'Public aid for temporary cessation' of the Operational Programme to implement the GSA11 management plan adopted by the Decree of 17 June 2010 of the Director-General for Maritime Fisheries (Department of European and International Policies) of the Italian Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies, regarding the trawl fleet, which provides for gradual reductions in fishing effort in line with the objectives established under the Fleet Adaptation Scheme laid down by the Departmental Decree of 6 April 2010.

Indicate which of Article(s) 8 to 24 is used: Article 9

Activity concerned: Bottom and/or midwater pair trawl fishing

Name and address of the granting authority:

Regione Autonoma della Sardegna Assessorato dell'Agricoltura e della riforma agro-pastorale Via Pessagno 4 09126 Cagliari CA ITALIA

per il tramite dell'Agenzia regionale autonoma ARGEA Sardegna.

Web address where the full text of the scheme or the criteria and conditions under which ad hoc aid is granted outside of an aid scheme can be found:

http://www.regione.sardegna.it

(http://www.regione.sardegna.it/documenti/1_22_20100802121355.pdf)

Motivation:

- Differential rates of modulation vis-à-vis financial resources proposed at national level, between those regions covered by the Convergence objective and those not covered thereby, under the Decree of the Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF) of 23 June 2010 for the implementation of Measure 1.2 'Temporary cessation' in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006
- The maximum duration of eight months, as stipulated in Article 24(1)(v) of Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006, has not elapsed.