

EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY

Authorisation of State aid pursuant to Articles 61 and 63 of the EEA Agreement and Article 1(3) of Protocol 3 to the Surveillance and Court Agreement

EFTA Surveillance Authority decision not to raise objections

(2003/C 10/11)

Date of adoption:	25 September 2002
EFTA State:	Norway
Aid No:	SAM 030.02.002
Title:	Tax deduction for expenses of research and development (R & D)
Objective:	To stimulate enterprises to increase their efforts regarding R & D
Legal basis:	Statute 16-40 in the Tax Law of 26 March 1999 No 14 and the Regulation to this paragraph
Amount of aid:	NOK 510 million (approximately EUR 70 million)
Duration:	Unlimited (scheme is subject to annual budget appropriations by the Norwegian Parliament)

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A copy of the decision may be obtained in the authentic language version upon request addressed to:

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Date of adoption:	18 September 2002
EFTA State:	Norway
Aid No:	SAM 030.02.004
Title:	Support for film production companies
Objective:	Culture (promotion of production and marketing of films), SMEs
Legal basis:	Annual budgetary allocation (State Budget, Chapter 334, post 50), Regulation on support to film production companies ('Forskrift om tilskudd til produksjonsselskaper')
Form of aid:	Grant, interest-free loan
Amount of aid:	Budgetary allocation for 2002 (5 % of allocations to Norwegian Film Fund): approximately NOK 10 million (approximately EUR 1,4 million)
Aid intensity:	'Project development grants': 50 %; 'business development loans': 50 % for consultancy services to SMEs and 15 %/7,5 % for investment aid to SMEs
Duration:	Five years
