

**Information communicated by the EFTA States regarding State aid granted under the Act referred to in point 1j of Annex XV to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/2008 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the common market in application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation))**

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PART I

Aid No	GBER 11/12/EMP	
EFTA State	Norway	
Region	Name of the region (NUTS) Level 3 — Troms	Regional aid status 61(3)(c) of the EEA Agreement
Granting authority	Name	Troms fylkeskommune
	Address	Postbox 6600 9296 Tromsø NORWAY
	Webpage	<a href="http://www.tromsfylke.no">http://www.tromsfylke.no</a>
Title of the aid measure	Regional development programme for the county of Troms 2010-2013	
National legal basis (Reference to the relevant national official publication)	The Troms County Development Fund was established by a decision of 12 March 1985 by the Troms County Council	
Web link to the full text of the aid measure	<a href="http://www.tromsfylke.no/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=qah_PB73Oyc%3d&amp;tabid=332">http://www.tromsfylke.no/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=qah_PB73Oyc%3d&amp;tabid=332</a>	
Type of measure	Scheme	X
Amendment of an existing aid measure		EFTA Surveillance Authority aid number Reference number ESA 2/2005
	Prolongation	2010-2013
Duration	Scheme	1.1.2010 to 31.12.2013
Economic sector(s) concerned	All economic sectors eligible to receive aid	X
Type of beneficiary	SME	X
Budget	Annual overall amount of the budget planned under the scheme	NOK 8 million
Aid instrument (Article 5)	Grant	X
	Interest rate subsidy	
	Loan	X

PART II

General objectives (list)	Objectives (list)	Maximum aid intensity in % or maximum aid amount in NOK	SME — bonuses in %
SME investment and employment aid (Article 15)		50 %	0 %