

Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty

Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2002/C 137/03)

(Text with EEA relevance)

Date of adoption of the decision: 18.7.2001

Member State: Belgium (Flemish Region)

Aid No: N 360/01

Title: R & D aid to Sidmar NV, ECSC steel

Objective: To provide incentive for R & D activities (ECSC steel)

Legal basis: Besluit van de Vlaamse Executieve van 23 oktober 1991 tot regeling van de bevordering van het industrieel wetenschappelijk-technologisch onderzoek (Belgisch Staatsblad van 30 januari 1992)

Budget: BEF 61 885 849 (EUR 1 534 110)

Aid intensity or amount: 33 %

Duration: 2 years

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Date of adoption of the decision: 13.2.2002

Member State: Germany

Aid No: N 449/01

Title: Continuation of the ecological tax reform after 31.3.2002

1. 80 % tax reduction from the increase of the mineral oil tax for heating purposes for the producing industry, including companies active in sectors covered under the ECSC Treaty, and fishery
2. Reduced tax rate of 20 % of the relevant tax rate on electricity for the same sectors
3. Tax cap for the most energy intensive users ('Spitzenausgleich') in the producing industry
4. The tax treatment of combined heat and power (CHP) installations as regards their input fuels oil and gas

5. 50 % tax reduction from the electricity tax for rail transport operations

6. 50 % reduction of the tax increase on the mineral oil tax on engine fuel for local public passenger transport

Objective: Environmental aid

Legal basis: Gesetz zur Einführung der ökologischen Steuerreform, Gesetz zur Fortführung der ökologischen Steuerreform

Budget:

Estimated loss of tax revenues (2003):

1. EUR 205,13 million
2. EUR 3,64 billion
3. EUR 153,85 million
4. EUR 0,6 billion
5. EUR 143,16 million
6. EUR 71,58 million

Aid intensity or amount: Operating aid

Duration: 10 years, except 'Spitzenausgleich' which is approved until 2005

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Date of adoption of the decision: 13.11.2001

Member State: Denmark

Aid No: N 486/01

Title: Film Venture Funds (Risk capital funds for film production)

Objective: To attract privately financed risk capital with a view to promoting film production — Production of feature-length films

Legal basis: Lov om VækstFonden

Budget: Up to DKK 100 million

Aid intensity or amount: An estimated maximum of 12 % of the film budget. Cumulation of State aid will not exceed 50 %

Duration: Until December 2004

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Date of adoption of the decision: 11.12.2001

Member State: Germany

Aid No: N 767/01 (ex — CP 168/01)

Title: Support for the film industry in Lower Saxony and Bremen — Nordmedia Fonds GmbH

Objective: Cinema

Legal basis: Richtlinie zur kulturwirtschaftlichen Film- und Medienförderung der nordmedia Fonds GmbH (nordmedia Fonds)

Budget: EUR 35 million for the period from 7 December 2001 to 31 December 2004

Aid intensity or amount: Variable, with a few exceptions, always below 50 %

Duration: Until end 2004

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Date of adoption of the decision: 20.12.2001

Member State: Germany

Aid No: N 782/01 (ex — CP 175/01)

Title: Support for the film industry in Baden-Württemberg — Medien und Filmgesellschaft Baden-Württemberg mbH

Objective: Cinema

Legal basis: Vergabeordnung der Medien- und Filmgesellschaft Baden-Württemberg

Budget: At least EUR 23 million for 2002

Aid intensity or amount: Variable, with a few exceptions, always below 50 %

Duration: Until end 2004

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Date of adoption of the decision: 3.4.2002

Member State: Germany

Aid No: NN 2/02

Title: ZDF Mediapark Mainz-Lerchenfeld

Objective: Planning, construction and operation of a mediapark

Budget: About EUR 110 million investment costs plus annually about EUR 2,5 million investment costs

Aid intensity or amount: The measure does not constitute State aid

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