

56th amendment of the State aid Guidelines
EFTA Surveillance Authority decision to propose appropriate measures

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EFTA State: Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein

Case No: 55834

Title: EFTA Surveillance Authority decision amending for the fifty-sixth time the procedural and substantive rules in the field of State aid — New Chapter 25.B National Regional aid — 2007-2013. Proposal for appropriate measures.

Legal basis: College Decision No. 85/06/COL

Decision: The appropriate measures, proposed by the Authority and accepted by the EFTA States are as follows:

- (i) limit the application in time of all existing regional aid schemes to aid to be granted on or before 31 December 2006;
 - (ii) where environment aid schemes allow regional investment aid to be granted for environment investments pursuant to footnote 31 of Chapter 15 of the Guidelines, amend the relevant schemes in order to ensure that aid may only be granted after 31 December 2006 if it complies with the regional aid map in force on the date the aid is granted, and
 - (iii) amend as necessary other existing aid schemes in order to ensure that any regional bonuses such as those allowed for training aid, aid for research and development or environment aid may only be granted after 31 December 2006 in areas which are eligible for support under Article 61 (3)(c) in accordance with the regional aid map adopted by the Authority in force on the date the aid is granted.
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