Productivity Solutions Grant (PSG) for Environmental Services (ES) Industry

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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General

1. Are applicants allowed to purchase the solution before the application is approved?

 Company shall only confirm and procure the solution only after the grant application has been approved. However, if there is an urgent need for deployment of the solution, company may write in to <u>NEA PSG@nea.gov.sg</u> before proceeding to procure the solution. However, the application will still be subject to approval, and in the case where application is not approved, the cost of the solution shall be borne in full by the company.

2. Will NEA consider allowing companies that are not licensed under existing regulations to apply for the ES PSG?

• NEA will review the application submitted by the company and assess the suitability on a caseby-case basis.

3. Can companies apply for the ES PSG, if they have already tapped on an existing grant offered by the Government?

 Companies are not allowed to apply for ES PSG for the solution that is being supported by another government grant. Companies that wish to apply for the ES PSG will also need to declare in their application form whether they have applied for the PSG and/or other grants previously for the same type of equipment/digital solution.

4. Can residential owners procure equipment for personal use?

• The ES PSG is to help defray the company's costs to adopt commercially available and proven technologies to increase efficiency and manpower productivity in their operations. The ES PSG supported solutions must be used in commercial or industrial or common areas of residential sites.

5. Can pre-owned equipment qualify for the grant?

• No. Pre-owned equipment is not supported.

6. Can I procure equipment/digital solution from vendor/supplier that is related to my company?

• No. ES PSG does not support procurement of equipment/digital solution from vendors/suppliers that are related (e.g. common shareholder(s)) to the applicant.

Funding support

7. How is the \$\$350,000 grant cap applied? Is it through the premises owner or through a company?

• The grant cap of \$350,000 is tied to the Unique Entity Number (UEN) of the applicant company. Companies with valid UENs may apply for support.

8. Is the cap limit of \$\$350,000 inclusive of the total project cost or total grant amount?

• The S\$350,000 is the total grant cap amount. Only the actual purchase/lease/hire purchase cost of the digital solution or equipment is supported. The grant support is on a reimbursement basis.

9. Can companies apply for the ES PSG for ES equipment/digital solutions that are not in the supportable list of solutions?

• Only equipment/digital solutions in the supportable list of solutions is supported.

10. Which mode of purchases are supportable under the ES PSG for the environmental services industry?

• Companies can apply for the grant for supportable equipment and/or digital solutions on direct purchase, hire purchase or lease/subscription. The funding duration for hire purchase and leasing options are as follows:

| | Hire Purchase | | Lease/Subscription |
|--|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Total Solution cost (per application) | ≤S\$100,000 | >S\$100,000 | All amounts |
| Maximum supportable period | Up to 12 months | Up to 24months | Up to 12 months |

11. Can companies apply for more than one supportable equipment/digital solution under ES PSG at the same time?

• Yes, companies can apply for more than one supportable equipment/digital solution under ES PSG at the same time.

12. Is the grant support provided for the PSG solutions by other agencies in addition to the grant support of \$\$350,000 for solutions under the ES PSG?

• All applicant companies will be subjected to a company-level grant cap of S\$350,000 for all PSG schemes in total.