#### Part 1 PV Operating Aid form - Guidance

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This application should not be used for addition of capacity on the same PV meter with an already approved FiT Scheme, or for PV capacity solely for own use without a Feed-in Tariff (Regulation 4A) or for a PV application with a residential grant already applied through the Residential Grant Scheme, or for a PV with capacity below 1kWp 40kWp or more.

PV systems applying for a feed-in tariff shall consist of new (not already used) panels and new (not already used) inverters.

#### Section A: (to be filled by the applicant)

**In 1.0**, please enter the details of the applicant as requested and as applicable. For the definition of "Undertaking" please refer to Note 1 of the application form.

Please note that definition of an undertaking includes a natural person who has a generator and intends to sell electricity through an approved Feed-in Tariff.

#### Size of undertaking:

Applicants falling within the definition of undertaking shall indicate the type of undertaking in this section as follows:

- SME If the applicant is an enterprise employing fewer than 250 persons; and have either an annual turnover not exceeding EUR 50 million or an annual balance sheet total not exceeding EUR 43 million according to the definition of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises adopted by the Commission in Annex I- of the GBER Regulations
- 2. **Large** If the applicant is not a household or does not fall under the definition of an SME.
- 3. **Household** if the applicant is a household already generating electricity from another PV system .

For further information applicants may refer to the user guide to the SME Definition provided by the European Commission, downloadable from the following link: (<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/sources/conferences/state-aid/sme/smedefinitionguide\_en.pdf">https://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/sources/conferences/state-aid/sme/smedefinitionguide\_en.pdf</a>).

**NACE code:** Please indicate the NACE code of your main activity. The list of the NACE codes may be viewed at the link: https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/3859598/5902521/KS-RA-07-015-EN.PDF

**In 2.0,** please provide the details of the installation address. This should be the same address linked to the ARMS Ltd account and shown in the ARMS Ltd electricity bill submitted with the application, for the consumption meter to which the PV will be connected. The ARMS bill is requested to verify the following:-

- i. The account number
- ii. the name of the account holder
- iii. the address of the account
- iv. Meter numbers if necessary
- v. Type of consumer contract

The form is to be used for the following cases:

- a) If you are applying to be approved a feed-in tariff without a grant and with respect to the first electricity generation system on an existing electricity account in own name, i.e. there is no other generation capacity connected: In this case please include the "ARMS Ltd Account No:" of existing electricity account.
- b) If you are applying to be approved a feed-in tariff without a grant with respect to the first electricity generation system to be installed on a site which is not yet provided with an electricity service and ARMS Ltd account. E.g. premises still under construction or an application submitted for service pending. In this case please tick "new consumer electricity account".

Note that a feed-in tariff shall not be granted to a temporary electricity service account. Before submitting the Part 2 application, the applicant shall provide a copy of the ARMS Ltd electricity bill of the PV address.

- c) If you are applying to be approved a feed-in tariff without a grant with respect to an electricity generation system to be installed on a site, where you are not the registered account holder/consumer with ARMS Ltd and with site owner's agreement:
  - i. Please tick "Third Party account"
  - ii. Provide the electricity account number of the existing electricity service on the site where the PV meter will be connected
  - iii. The Address/Location of installation shall be the address of the ARMS Ltd account already provided in ii, i.e. address as shown in the ARMS Ltd bills.

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

Condition 1: A PV system installed on a third party account may only be installed on the **Sell\_All option**. There shall be no electricity consumption on this meter.

Condition 2: In order for the new PV system to be approved/benefit from a feed-in tariff it must be installed with its own generator meter and cannot be added to the existing PV capacity.

Note that you have to apply for an electricity service in your name before you submit the application to ARMS Ltd to connect to the grid and be provided with a PV meter.

d) If you wish to install a new PV system with a feed-in tariff on the same electricity service connection point with another PV system which has been already approved with another feed-in tariff or another type of electricity generation system all installed in own name. In this case, please tick "additional PV meter on same owner". A dedicated generation meter will be provided by the DSO.

The following conditions must be fulfilled

Condition1: In order for the new PV system to be approved/benefit from a feed-in tariff it must be installed with its own generator meter and cannot be added to the existing PV capacity.

Condition 2: The new PV system on the additional Pv meter must be on the Sell\_All (Option A).

Condition 3: If one of the PV system benefits from a residential grant this must be installed on a residential account (i.e. number of persons registered on the account must not be zero).

- e) Mark "Re-Powering" when you have an existing PV system which you intend to decommission (disconnect and remove) physically and you are applying to install a new PV system with a feed-in tariff. You don't need to remove the existing PV meter before applying for the new PV with a new feed-in tariff (Refer to Annex A).
- f) Mark "**New and add-on**" when you have an existing PV system which you still intend to make use of e.g. one which has an expired feed-in tariff, but you are applying for a new PV system with a new feed-in tariff to be connected to your consumption meter, normally for own consumption, and to which you will add the older system on the same PV meter. Note that your annual capping will be on the units according to the kWp of your new system only, worked on the generated units (PV meter readings) for option A ( sell all) or the export readings for option B ( self\_consume). (Refer to Annex B).

In the above cases (c) (d) & f), please indicate whether there exists already a generation capacity, even of any another electricity producer, connected to the same electricity service connection point and provide the MRA/REWS application reference number of the existing capacity and the respective electricity service account.

**Note:** Failure to report any existing generation capacity or already approved generation capacity still in construction may lead to consequences that the DSO may reject the connection of such added capacity. Enemalta Plc may however accept it provided that and on the basis that the grid connection upgrade costs are borne by the applicant.

Note: It is no longer possible to add PV capacity on the same PV meter of an existing PV system and be paid a feed-in tariff for the whole capacity. In such case the cap for the payment of the feed-in tariff and feed-in tariff will remain as originally approved. It is still possible to install such an increase in capacity however any units exported above the cap will be paid at the proxy for the market price. In such cases do not use this application form.

**In 3.0,** please indicate whether the application is intended to sell\_all (option - A) OR to self\_consume (option - B) the electricity generated and to sell only that electricity which is in excess.

The operating aid (state aid) is equal to the feed-in tariff less the proxy of the market price as established in Schedule 4 Feed-in Tariffs Scheme (Electricity Generated from Solar Photovoltaic Installations) Regulations (S.L.545.27)

Note that the feed-in tariff may only be allocated to a capacity that will be provided with its own dedicated generation meter.

**In 4.1** please read all the declarations, and tick accordingly. In the case of a legal organisation the signatories shall be the legal representatives as defined and as required by the Memorandum and Articles of the Association of the Company or the Statute in case of other organisations. Note that if the legal representation is entrusted to more than one person, the number of signatories shall satisfy this requirement. Alternatively the signatory may be a person nominated to act as the legal representative by a Board Resolution, signed by the legal representatives and secretary. A Board Resolution signed solely by the same person nominated as the legal representative will not be accepted.

In 4.2 Declaration to be signed by owner and/or occupier of PV installation site or premises.

In this section, this part has to be signed by the owner(s) and /or occupier(s) of the site/premises.

In case that the applicant(s) if the applicant(s) is/are the same owner(s) or occupier(s) of the site or premises, applicant(s) need to sign,

Or in case that the site is being rented out to a Third Party, the applicant(s), it has to be signed by the owner(s) and / or occupiers of the site or premises. In this case submit a copy of the ID card of the actual owner(s) / occupier(s) signing and giving consent. If the occupier is an organisation other than the applicant, submit a Memorandum of Articles of Association of the occupier.

Any false declaration may lead to the loss of the feed-in tariff approval and eligibility for payment.

## Section B: (to be filled by a warranted electrical engineer)

- **In 1**, please insert the total kWp and number of PV panels and their rated Wp as specified ( at Standard Test Conditions). Three lines are provided as one may have more than one PV panel size.
- **In 2**, please insert the number of inverters and their continuous steady state rated kW. Three lines are provided as one may have more than one inverter size.
- **In 3**, please indicate how the PV generation capacity being applied for will be connected to the grid, i.e. through a single phase PV meter, or a three phase PV meter i.e. for what type of meter would one be applying for at ARMS Ltd.
  - E.g. If one already has a PV (or has applied for one already) on Phase L1 and has a PV meter, and is applying for a second PV on a second PV meter on Phase L2, indicate Single Phase PV meter. Note that in this case the consumer should have already a three phase service or intends to upgrade to a 3 phase service before applying for the PV meter.
  - E.g. If one is applying for a PV to be connected on two or three phases, one has to apply for a three phase PV meter. Note that in this case the consumer should already have a three phase service or intends to upgrade to a 3 phase service before applying for the PV meter.
- **In 4**, please indicate the currents expected on each phase from the system being applied for and for the total capacity (existing and system already applied for) in case of existing capacity connected on the same connection point. Note that these values are for indication purposes, also to indicate the wiring configuration of the PV. If the aggregate continuous steady state rating of inverters on a phase exceeds 3.68kW at the same connection point, clearance from the DSO would be required, notwithstanding that the declared current is less than 16Amps.
- In 5, please provide information of any generation capacity, previous application reference number and **kWp**, installed on the same connection point, even by any another electricity producer. For technical guidance purposes, the connection point is the point of connection to the grid, e.g. DSO's electricity service box, but in terms of Regulations, this will be defined by the Premises Code as assigned by ARMS Ltd when a service is provided. For clarification, the Premises Code will prevail in case of any conflict.

**Note**: that failure to report any existing capacity may lead to consequences that the DSO may reject the connection of such added capacity or accepted provided that the upgrade costs are borne by the applicant, and may as well lead to the loss of the allocated Feedin Tariff eligibility.

- **In 6**, please specify the rated AC power of the system being applied for.
- **In 7**, please include all generation power on site, i.e. that being applied for and as defined in 4 and 5.

## Section D: Estimated project costs over the 20 years.

Please include the estimated Capital Expenditure and the Operation Costs and any other costs as indicated in the table.

At the bottom, please provide the Total estimated costs. Note that the

NOTE that actual capital expenditure costs would need to be submitted with Part 2 as detailed in that form

#### Section E: Documents to be submitted together with the Application

Where a copy of a document is being requested e.g. ID / Passport/ electricity bill, note that a print of a photograph (e.g. mobile photo) is not acceptable.

## STATE AID DECLARATION (De Minimis ) SAMB/105/2020

The feed-in tariff for the year 2021 for PV systems with a capacity of less than 40kWp is being granted under the De Minimis. All applicants whether natural or legal persons are required to fill-in (as applicable) and submit the **STATE AID DECLARATION (De Minimis)** (duly signed) (**BOTH PAGES 5 and 6**). Applicants are to read the declaration carefully.

Where the applicant is a legal organisation the State Aid Declaration shall be signed by the legal representatives as defined and as required by the Memorandum and Articles of the Association of the Company or the Statute in case of other organisations. Note that if the legal representation is entrusted to more than one person, the number of signatories shall satisfy this requirement. Alternatively, the signatory may be a person nominated to act as the legal representative by a Board Resolution, signed by the legal representatives and secretary. A Board Resolution signed solely by the same person nominated as the legal representative will not be accepted.

In the case of a legal organisation, the "Name and Surname" should be that of the legal representative(s) signing the declaration.

Note that Agric and fisheries undertakings are not eligible for De minimis aid. Please see article 1 for more details <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1407&from=EN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1407&from=EN</a>

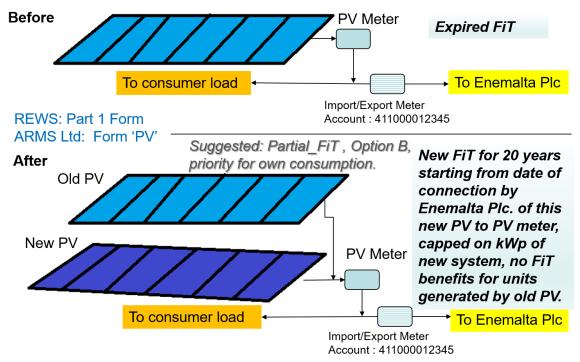
#### **ANNEX A**

## Re-Powering **Before PV** Meter Expired FiT To consumer load To Enemalta Plc Import/Export Meter Account: 411000012345 **REWS: Part 1 Form** ARMS Ltd: Form 'PV' **After** New FiT for 20 years starting from date of connection by New PV system Enemalta Plc. of this PV Meter new PV to PV meter, capped on kWp of new system. → To Enemalta Plc To consumer load Import/Export Meter Account: 411000012345

New connection date is when Enemalta Plc takes final readings of previous PV

#### **ANNEX B**

# New & add-on



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