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Electricity Regulations S.L. 545.34
Feed-in Tariffs Scheme (Electricity Generated from Solar Photovoltaic Installations) Regulations, S.L.545.27

APPLICATION FOR THE AUTHORISATION / NOTIFICATION TO CONSTRUCT A PHOTOVOLTAIC INSTALLATION OF CAPACITY GREATER OR EQUAL TO 1kWp BUT LESS THAN 40kWp AND TO REQUEST OPERATING AID

Section A – Application Details to be Filled By Applicant. *(use BLOCK letters please)*

1.0 Details of the Applicant

Please fill in the details as applicable

Full Name of Individual or Legal Representative:			Contact Address:
I.D. / Passport No.:	Tel. No. (Fixed Line):	Tel. No. (Mobile):	
Email:			

Name of Undertaking[1] *(if applicable)*:

***Note 1**: "Undertaking" means any entity engaged in an economic activity, regardless of its legal status and the way in which it is financed. For the purposes of this definition "entity" includes any natural or legal person engaged in the provision of a good or service on the market"*
Note that the name of the applicant/undertaking should be the same as the registered electricity account holder appearing on the ARMS Ltd. electricity bill

VAT No. (*if applicable*):	Company (or equivalent) Reg. No. / Trading License No: (*if applicable*):
Type of Undertaking (if applicable): SME ☐ Large ☐ Household ☐	NACE code of Undertaking's main economic activity (if applicable):

2.0 Details of the Proposed Installation

Address / Location of Installation:	On existing ARMS Ltd Account No: _____ *or* new consumer electricity account ☐ (consumer service yet to be applied for) *or* Third Party account ☐ Any other generation on site Y/N __(Note 2) *or* 2nd, 3rd ... PV meter on same owner (to sell all) ☐ ___(Note 2) *or* **Re-powering** (replace an existing installation with this new PV) ☐ (Note 2) *or* **New and add-on** (install a new PV with a new feed-in tariff and add to it an existing capacity that do not benefit from a feed-in tariff) ☐ (Note 2)

Note 2: In the case of a Third Party / additional PV meter, Repowering, New and add-on, please specify MRA / REWS reference of any existing generation / Authorised / Notified / applied for capacity on site: _____ and provide the ARMS electricity account number of the existing service connection point and a copy of an electricity bill for this account. Existing ARMS electricity Account on site:_____ .

Installation Type (existing or for new account): Residential ☐ Domestic (No. of persons = 0) ☐ Non-Residential ☐
☐ Roof mounted ☐ Ground mounted

3.0 Details of *OPERATING AID* requested. (*OPERATING AID* is Feed-in Tariff less Proxy of the Market Price)

Note 3: No operating aid may be approved on an increase in capacity on an existing PV meter connected to the distribution system.
Note 4: Only new PV modules and new inverters may be eligible for the payment of operating aid under the Regulations.

☐ **A** - Sell all the electricity generated by my solar photovoltaic installation to Enemalta plc in accordance with rates and conditions established by the Feed-in Tariffs Regulations on the date of submission of this application.	☐ **B -** Generate electricity primarily for my own consumption and be paid for electricity not consumed at the time of generation and exported to the distribution system at the rates and conditions established in the Feed-in Tariffs Regulations on the date of submission of this application.

For office use: Application No: REWS/LME/PV/ _____ GEN/APP/_____ /_____

Acknowledgement no:_____
Initials:_____

4.1 Declaration of the Applicant(s)[1]

a) I/We, the undersigned applicant, hereby confirm that the information contained in this application (including any documents submitted) is true and correct, and that it represents accurately the information being requested. I/We undertake to inform the REWS[2] of any changes in the information that may occur from time to time and contained in this application, and documentation required to be submitted with this application. I/We am/are aware that the REWS may carry out the necessary investigations in order to verify this information. I/We also undertake to give any other information that may, from time to time, be required by the Regulator;

b) I/We understand that with the approval of the funding being requested, I/we shall automatically be subjected to the conditions prescribed by relevant legislation and the conditions of the authorisation/licence issued by the Regulator. I/we also understand that the conditions contained in the authorisation/licence may be modified as prescribed by law. I/we undertake to abide by any approved standards, Codes of Practice, authorisation conditions or requirements of the Regulator with regard to the activity being authorized;

c) I/we understand that the approval of the funding being requested and, or the granting of the authorisation/licence will not exonerate me/us from obtaining and, or maintaining any other authorisation, licence or permit as required under any law or legal obligation. I/we understand that the Regulator may suspend or revoke any funding approved and any authorisation given should it transpire that the information submitted in this application is not correct, and, or if I/we fail to abide with any approved standards, Codes of Practice, conditions or requirements of the Regulator;

d) I/we understand that in case of any breach or non-compliance of any legal and regulatory obligation, applicable legislation and, or State Aid Rules, REWS reserves the right to void this application, and, or authorisation/licence granted and in case of the payment of a Feed-in Tariff, I/we understand that I have to reimburse any operating aid paid for the units sold;

e) I/We declare that there has not been any start of works prior to the submission of the application for a Feed-In Tariff and approval of such Feed-In Tariff by the Regulator: 'start of works' here meaning the earlier of either the start of construction works relating to the investment, or the first legally binding commitment to order equipment or any other commitment that makes the investment irreversible. Buying land and preparatory works such as obtaining permits and conducting feasibility studies are not considered 'start of works'. For take-overs, 'start of works' means the moment of acquiring the assets directly linked to the acquired establishment;

f) I/We declare that I/we :

(i) have planning permission issued by the Planning Authority (copy & drawings attached);or

(ii) have a confirmation from the Planning Authority that the proposal does not require planning permission, (copy of confirmation & drawings attached); or

(iii) in case of none of the above and no documentation from Planning Authority is being provided, confirm that the PV installation is in compliance with the Development Notification Order, 2016 and the Planning Authority's procedures and guidelines including "Development Control Policy and Design Guidance and Standards 2015" and/or any later updates;

Date (dd/mm/yyyy) _____

Signature	Full Name(s) of Signatory / Signatories	Position held	Identity Card No./ Passport No	Contact Tel. No./ Mobile No

4.2 : Declaration for use of site to be signed by owner and/or occupier of PV installation site.

1) I am / We are the owner or occupier(s) of the site where the PV installation is being proposed and the applicant(s) for this PV installation. I/ We declare that there is no legal impediment restraining me/us from installing the PV installation at this site.

2) I am the owner or occupier of the site where the PV installation is being proposed. I intend to lease the site to the applicant as Third Party for the purposes of the construction of PV installation. I also declare that there is no legal impediment restraining me from leasing the site to the applicant for the purposes of the construction of PV installation.

Name & Surname*: _____ Signed*: _____ Date: ____/_____/_____

Name & Surname*: _____ Signed*: _____ Date: ____/_____/_____

*To be signed by the applicant(s) in case of 1) or by the owner/occupier in case of 2) *[If signatories are not the applicants, provide a copy of the ID_card or passport and if the signatory/signatories represent a company, a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association or in case of an organization a copy of the Statue*

[1] In the case when the applicant is an organisation / company, the required number of Legal Representatives are also making the declaration on behalf of the directors of the Undertaking.

[2] REWS – Regulator for Energy and Water Services – (Act no XXV of 2015)

Section B – General Technical Information for PV Installation

To be filled by Warranted Electrical Engineer *(use BLOCK letters please)*

Where a generator includes inverters, the generator rating is deemed to be the continuous steady state rating of the inverter or aggregate of inverters rating.

1. PV panels : Total kWp: _____

Qty _____ of _____**Watts**

Qty _____ of _____ **Watts**

Qty _____ of _____ **Watts**

2. Inverters :

QTY ____ of rated output: _____**kW**

QTY ____ of rated output: _____**kW**

QTY ____ of rated output: _____**kW**

3. Metering connection mode of this PV installation: (tick one box)

☐ Single Phase PV Meter

☐ Three Phase PV Meter

4. Rated AC current generated at 230/400Volts on :

This PV installation:	**Total AC rating including any already existing/planned[3]:**
Phase L1: _____ **Amps**;	Phase L1: _____ **Amps**;
Phase L2: _____ **Amps**;	Phase L2: _____ **Amps**;
Phase L3: _____ **Amps**	Phase L3: _____ **Amps**

(if single phase and where the phase number is unknown, use Phase L1 as default)

5. Please provide the MRA/REWS Reference of any existing / authorised / notified / applied for power generation capacity on the same connection point as the one being proposed:

GEN/APP/ _____/____ **or** PV/ WT/CHP no:_____ Existing power _____ **kWp** and connected to phase(s) _____

6. Rated A.C. Power generated by this system: _____ **kW**

7. Total A.C. Power Generation Capacity on site and common connection point: _____ **kW**

(this should include the capacity of the PV installation being applied for, and the capacity of any other generators already existing / authorised / notified / applied for on the same electricity connection point, including any generation capacity connected directly to the grid through a generation meter).

8. If installation includes a sun tracking system, please provide details of sun tracking system:

9. Details of the ancillary services that the generating station will be capable of providing:

a) **Reactive Power Capability** (if applicable)**:** kVAr (lead):_____ kVAr (lag): _____

b) Frequency control capability (if applicable)**:** _____

Section C: Declaration by Warranted Electrical Engineer:

I, the undersigned warranted electrical engineer, hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge that all the details contained in the Section B of this application are correct and complete, that I will supply technical documentation and relevant schematics to the applicant, and that I shall inform the Regulator within a reasonable time in case that any technical details have changed in regard to the installation from the time of this application till the testing and commissioning date. I understand that it is only for testing and commissioning purposes that such system may be temporarily connected to the grid. Afterwards it has to be disconnected and that it may only be connected to the grid by Enemalta Plc's authorised personnel.

I declare that I will ensure compliance with the Electrical Installations Regulations S.L. 545.24, the Electricity Supply Regulations S.L. 545.01 and other current relevant Regulations and applicable standards, such as Commission Regulation(EU) (EU) 2016/631, relevant standards (e.g. EN 50549), the Network Code and in particular ensure that the solar photovoltaic installation is provided with the required earth fault protection and an anti-islanding protection in compliance with the GR6 of the Network Code .

I further declare that the whole installation shall be installed in accordance with best practices, and clearly labelled , and that I will recommend to the applicant prior to the construction of the solar photovoltaic installation to seek other professional advice from a relevant competent person (a *Perit*) with respect to the ability of the structure upon which the installation is intended to be installed to withstand the load of such installation.

Signature: _____ Date (dd/mmm/yyyy)**:** ___ /_____ / _____

Name in Full: _____ E/mail: _____

Telephone / Mobile number : _____ Warrant No.: _____ I.D. No./ Passport No: _____

Note: The Regulator shall not be responsible and does not accept in any manner whatsoever any liability, and shall be held harmless with regard to any damages or losses that may occur to persons or property in relation to the construction and operation of the proposed installation.

[3] Planned would include already authorised / already notified / already applied for

Section D: Estimated project costs (inclusive of VAT)

Estimated Capital Expenditure of PV system including panels, inverter(s), frame, cabling, trenchwork, grid connection, installation and commissioning) (inclusive of VAT)	€
Estimated average ANNUAL Operational and Maintenance costs (including insurance, metering, administration, security, cleaning, repairs, and rent) of the system (inclusive of VAT)	€

Section E : Documents to be submitted together with the Application

1. A copy of the ID Card / passport of the applicant or legal representatives of the applicant in the case of a company or organisation**;** and In case of a Third Party applicant (as per Section 4.2) a copy of the ID Card / passport of the applicant or legal representatives of owner / occupier in case (prints of mobile photos are not acceptable. The copy should clearly show Name & Surname, Id Card number and signature)	☐
2 . In the case of a company, a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company **or** a Board Resolution authorising the person to legally represent the company together with a copy of a Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company; OR In the case of an organisation, a copy of the Statute; OR In the case of a sole trader , a copy of the VAT certificate; In the case of a partnership, a copy of the deed of Partnership.	☐
3. A copy of a permit or the letter from the Planning Authority in case of applicable declaration 4.0 f) (i) or 4.0 f) (ii) respectively, including of a copy all approved drawings referred to and showing site location and either marking the planned substation connection point in case of an existing substation or include in the approved PA permit drawings the location of the substation to be constructed as part of the PA approval. Otherwise if no documentation is being provided, the installation is being declared to be compliant to declaration 4.0 f) (iii).	☐
4. A copy of the ARMS Ltd electricity bill related to the electricity service point where the PV installation will be installed and connected. Copy should clearly show name of account holder, account number, service site address and that it includes an electricity meter and prints of mobile photos are not acceptable) *(Not applicable in case of a new building and/or a new electrical service).*	☐
5. Photos of the site where the PV installation is planned to be installed. (Note that a set of photos taken from the same angle view will be required after completion of the PV installation)	Qty:___

STATE AID DECLARATION (*De Minimis*)
SAMB/82/2023

If the submitted application is approved, the project will benefit from *de minimis* State aid in line with *Commission Regulation (EU) No. 2023/2831 of 13 December 2023 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid.*

Commission Regulation (EU) No. 2023/2831 allows a 'single undertaking' to receive an aggregate maximum amount of *de minimis* aid of €300,000 under all *de minimis* aid measures, over a period of three years. For the purpose of this declaration the term 'single undertaking' shall have the meaning as established in *Commission Regulation (EU) No. 2023/2831*.

The maximum threshold of €300,000 applies in principle to all economic sectors except for a 'single undertaking' performing road freight transport for hire or reward for which a lower de minimis threshold of EUR 100,000 over any period of three years applies. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure compliance with the conditions for award of *de minimis* aid. In particular Article 1 of the Commission Regulation (EU) No. 2023/2831 provides for certain exclusions from the award of de minimis aid. The exclusions include natural or legal persons active in the agriculture and fisheries sectors who may not benefit from *de minimis* aid under this regulation and therefore are not eligible for a feed-in tariff under this feed-in tariff scheme, except where the request for a feed-in tariff refers to a PV system to be installed at the place of residence registered with ARMS Ltd as a residential premises.

The applicable maximum threshold would include all State aid granted under this feed-in tariff scheme and any other State aid measure granted under the *de minimis* rule. Any *de minimis* aid received in excess of the established threshold will have to be recovered, with interest, from the undertaking receiving the aid.

The following is an indicative list of the possible forms of State aid:

- Grants from public bodies
- Loans or loan guarantees at favourable rates
- Tax benefits
- Waiving or deferral of fees or interest normally due
- Marketing and advertising assistance
- Consultancy, training and other support provided either free or at a reduced rate
- Aid for investment in environmental projects or research and development assistance
- Purchase rent or lease of immovable property at less than market rate.

Potentially any assistance from a public body may constitute State aid. Should you have any doubts whether any public assistance received is *de minimis* aid, you should contact the agency or department from which the assistance was received in order to ascertain this.

DECLARATION

I declare that a comprehensive amount of *de minimis* aid received to date as well as that applied for from any State aid grantor, during the current year and the previous two years is:

Fiscal Year 2022	Fiscal Year 2023	Fiscal Year 2024	TOTAL
€	€	€	€

A breakdown of the source, type and amount of all *de minimis* aid declared is presented overleaf.

_____ _____
Legal Name of Undertaking (Full Legal Name) VAT Registration Number

_____ _____
Name and Surname (BLOCK CAPITALS) Position in Establishment

_____ _____
Signature Date

DETAILED INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICABLE STATE AID UNDER THE DE MINIMIS RULE FOR YEAR 2022,2023,2024

SECTION 1-DE MINIMIS STATE AID AWARDED

Date	Source/Grantor	Type of State Aid (Name of measure)	Awarded to	Amount in €
TOTAL :					**A1**

SECTION 2-DE MINIMIS STATE AID STILL PENDING FOR APPROVAL

Date	Source/Grantor	Type of State Aid (Name of measure)	Awarded to	Amount in €
TOTAL :					**A2**

TOTAL amount of de minimis aid received and/or pending approval(*A1 + A2*) (This excludes the State Aid requested in this application, which will also be considered by the REWS) :	**€**

Data Protection Notice

In processing your personal data, the Regulator will comply with binding legislative requirements imposed by the General Data Protection Regulation EU 2016/679 (the "GDPR") and national Maltese law requiring an adequate data protection standard.

The processing of your personal data by the Regulator shall be done in the performance of a task in the exercise of official authority vested in the Regulator and, or in compliance with a legal obligation.

In terms of these legal bases, the Regulator processes your personal information with Enemalta PLC, Automated Revenue Management Services Ltd (ARMS Ltd), the Civil Protection Department, the Occupational Health and Safety Authority, the Planning Authority, the Environment and Resources Authority, the Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority, Ministry for Energy and Water, the Energy and Water Agency, the State Aid Monitoring Board, the National Statistics Office, Agriculture and Rural Paying Agency and the Malta Enterprise Corporation whenever these are applicable.

You may access the Regulator's Data Privacy Policy at: https://www.rews.org.mt/#/en/a/51-privacy-policy

Disclaimer:

1. The receipt of this application by the Regulator does not give an automatic right for the allocation of any operating aid which is subject to the availability of capacity at the time of application and which is allocated on first come first served basis.
2. If it is determined that false or otherwise incorrect data has been given on any part of this application, the right for the operating aid may be lost and any aid will have to be returned by the beneficiary.

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Signed: _____**Official Stamp:**

This application shall be deemed to be void if any clarifications required are not provided within 10 working days from the date of the REWS's request for clarifications.