

ecoNova Scotia

FOR CLEAN AIR AND CLIMATE CHANGE

ecoNova Scotia Environmental Technology Program (ETP)

The ecoNova Scotia Environmental Technology Program is a Government of Nova Scotia initiative. The program supports the development, demonstration, adoption and commercialization of innovative environmental technologies that target reductions in greenhouse gas and other air pollutants.

The ETP will directly invest \$9.5 million into projects initiated by Nova Scotia businesses, institutions and organizations from now until March 31, 2010. These funds come from Nova Scotia's portion of the Canada Trust Fund for Clean Air and Climate Change.

For more information, please visit www.gov.ns.ca/ecoNovaScotia or call (902) 424-8269.

What is the objective?

To help Nova Scotia meet the goals of the *Environmental Goals and Sustainable Prosperity Act (EGSPA)*. The EGSPA includes a commitment to cut greenhouse gas emissions to 10% below 1990 levels by the year 2020. It also includes large reductions to other air pollutants by 2010. Technology made in Nova Scotia can play an important role in reaching these goals.

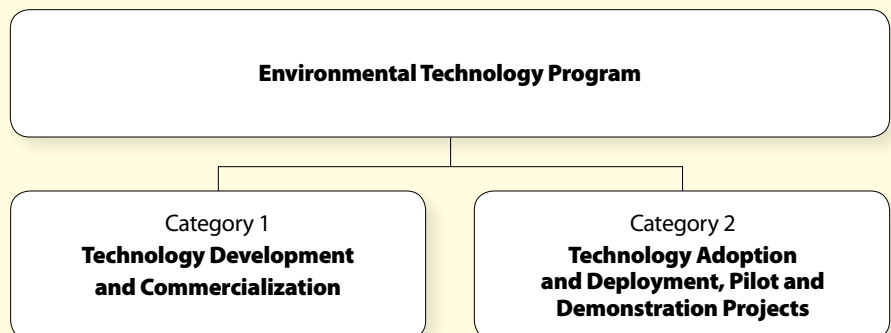
The ETP will help:

- support Nova Scotia organizations involved in environmental technologies and innovations that reduce greenhouse gas and other air pollutants, and
- build capacity in Nova Scotia for further emission reductions.

How will it work?

Eligible parties can apply for funding for projects that focus on reducing greenhouse gas and air pollutant emissions. ETP will fund a maximum of 50% of project costs. Other funding may come from private industry, academia and other public sources.

The following diagram shows the two grant categories available. Full descriptions are on the reverse.



Grant Categories

CATEGORY ONE:

Technology Development and Commercialization

The ETP will support the development and commercialization of environmental technologies. Research conducted at Nova Scotia academic and private sector research institutions, and through consultancy operations based in Nova Scotia is eligible but must demonstrate strong potential for commercialization. The project must have an end goal of GHG and AP reductions. Projects led by academic institutions must have a private sector partner investing in the technology.

CATEGORY TWO:

Technology Adoption and Deployment, Pilot and Demonstration Projects

The ETP will support technology adoption and deployment, as well as pilot and demonstration projects for environmental technologies. Examples of projects may include: renewable energy demonstrations, cogeneration projects, and biogas applications. ETP will support technology transfer where the expertise and capabilities to develop the technology do not exist in Nova Scotia and where environmental and economic benefits are created.

What Should the Technology Address?

The following qualifying criteria must be met for a project to be considered:

1. Technology promoted by an organization, institution or business registered and with operations based in Nova Scotia.
2. Evidence of significant and/or unique technological innovation.
3. Greenhouse gas and air pollutant emission reductions or potential for reductions, with benefit to Nova Scotia.
4. A minimum cash contribution of 20% of project costs from proponent and/or partnering organizations.
5. Comprehensive and coherent timelines for research, development and/or commercialization.
6. Academic institutions are required to have a private sector partner for the project.
7. Any projects proposing to construct new buildings, additions or significant renovations must commit to design and build to minimum standards for energy (35% improvement over the Model National Energy Code) and water (20% over the Baseline Water Fixture Requirements) consumption. Projects that aim to build to a higher standard (LEED Certification, for example) will be more favourably reviewed.



Who Can Apply?

Any business, organization, or institution with operations based in Nova Scotia may apply. Applicants must be registered and in good standing with the Nova Scotia Registry of Joint Stock Companies.

How Can I Apply?

Application forms and information are available by contacting the **Fund Coordinator** or from the **ecoNova Scotia website**.

When Can I Apply?

Project applications will be reviewed quarterly until January 31, 2010.

Deadlines to apply are:

January 31, 2008	January 31, 2009
April 30, 2008	April 30, 2009
July 31, 2008	July 31, 2009
October 31, 2008	October 31, 2009
	January 31, 2010

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