

Power NI Variable Speed Drive Grant 2018/19

Power NI is offering small and medium sized enterprises in Northern Ireland the opportunity to install Variable Speed Drives (VSDs) with grant assistance.

Funded by the Northern Ireland Sustainable Energy Programme (NISEP) grants are available towards VSDs for:

- Pumps
- Ventilation Fans
- Air Compressors
- Refrigeration Equipment

- **A grant of minimum 20% up to a maximum of £10,000 or 35% (whichever is lesser) is available towards the total project cost**
- **This exact grant amount will be determined and confirmed on receipt of a completed application form.**

To apply simply follow the steps below:

Step 1

Get a quotation from the equipment supplier.

Step 2

Complete the application form **including the State Aid Declaration**, attach quotation and send to Power NI.

Step 3

Power NI will review the application and issue a Letter of Offer **confirming the grant amount**. You will have 3 months to complete the work.

Step 4

Order equipment from supplier and carry out installation.

Step 5

Pay supplier

Step 6

Claim grant from Power NI with a copy of the stamped paid supplier invoice and completed grant claim form.



Power NI Variable Speed Drive Grant Application Form

Please ensure application form is completed in full. Any incomplete sections of the application will be returned.

1. Total Cost of project:

2. Please provide a brief description of the project (eg, details of the system being replaced, reason for new VSD unit etc)

3. Please complete the section below:

Existing Motor:

1. Type of motor (fixed speed or VSD):
2. Existing motor kW rating:
3. Existing motor running hours per year:
4. Motor efficiency %:
5. kWh per year:

Proposed Variable Speed Drive Unit:

6. Rating of VSD (kWe):
7. Motor efficiency %:
- 8.

Utilisation %	Time %	kWh	Utilisation %	Time %	kWh
100%			50%		
90%			40%		
80%			30%		
70%			20%		
60%			10%		

9. VSD running hours per year:
10. VSD projected kWh per year (total kWh in table above):

Proposed grant available:

11. Annual Energy Savings per year (5–10) =
12. Lifetime Energy Savings (11 x 15yrs) =
13. Grant amount available (12 x 0.0015) =

Please note: Grant amount is a minimum of 20% up to a maximum of £10,000 or 35% of total project cost - whichever is lesser

Under the terms of NISEP funding applicants are now required to complete a State Aid Declaration as part of the application process.

For Commercial customers please complete section 3

For Agricultural customers please complete section 4

More information on State Aid is available at: <http://www.bis.gov.uk/policies/europe/state-aid>



4. State Aid Declaration – COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS ONLY

NISEP - Notice to commercial recipients

Name of Firm: _____ **Date:** _____

In accordance with EC regulation 1998/2006¹ (the “Regulation”), the benefits under the NISEP are classified as de minimis aid. The Regulation states that there is a ceiling of €200,000 (or its sterling equivalent) for all de minimis aid that can be provided to any one firm over a 3-year period.

Proposed gross value of benefit² to you under the NISEP: _____

Before we can proceed in providing any funding, services or goods under the NISEP you must make and return a valid Required Declaration from commercial recipients.

Any de minimis aid awarded to you under this offer letter will be relevant if you wish to apply or have applied for any other de minimis aid.

For the purposes of the Regulation, you must retain this letter for at least 3 years from the date of receipt and produce it on request by any UK public authority or the European Commission. To ensure appropriate allocation of funding under the NISEP recipients are also required to give a declaration that they have not claimed or received funding or benefits more than once under the NISEP in respect of the same work.

Notes: 1. OJ L379 of 28/12/2006.

2. Gross value of benefit means the benefit before any deduction of tax or any other charge.

**NISEP – Required Declaration from commercial recipients
(to be returned once completed)**

We declare that:

1. The total amount of de minimis aid that we will receive as a result of the proposed grant under the NISEP in this and the previous two financial years will not exceed €200,000 (or its sterling equivalent);
2. We are not an expected undertaking for the purpose of the Regulation; and
3. We have not claimed for or received more than one lot of NISEP funding, services or goods from any NISEP scheme in respect of the same work.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

For and on behalf of: _____ **(name of recipient firm)**

Date: _____

4. State Aid Declaration – AGRICULTURAL SECTOR ONLY



NISEP – Notice to undertakings in the Agricultural Production Sector

Name of firm: _____ **Date:** _____

In accordance with the EC regulation 1535/2007¹ (the “Regulation”), the benefits under the NISEP are classified as de minimis aid to the agricultural production sector. The Regulation states that there is a ceiling of €7,500 (or its sterling equivalent) for all the de minimis aid that can be provided to any one undertaking over a period of three fiscal years (i.e. the current and two previous fiscal years).

Proposed gross value of benefit² to you under the NISEP: _____

Before we can proceed in providing any funding, services or good under the NISEP you must make a return a valid Required Declaration.

Any de minimis aid awarded to you under this offer letter will be relevant if you wish to apply or have applied for any other de minimis aid.

For the purposes of the Regulation, you must retain this letter for at least 3 years from the date of receipt and produce it on request by any UK public authority or the European Commission. To ensure appropriate allocation of funding under the NISEP recipients are also required to give a declaration that they have not claimed or received funding or benefits more than once under the NISEP in respect of the same work.

Notes: 1. Official Journal of the European Union L337 21.12.2007, pages 35-41.

2. Gross value of benefit means the benefit before a deduction of tax or any other charge.

NISEP – Required Declaration from undertakings in the Agricultural Production Sector (to be returned once completed)

We declare that:

1. The total amount of de minimis aid that we will receive as a result of the proposed grant under the NISEP in this and the two previous fiscal years will not exceed €7,500 (or its sterling equivalent);
2. We are not an “undertaking in difficulty” within the meaning of the Regulation and
3. We have not claimed for or received more than one lot of NISEP funding, services or goods from any NISEP scheme in respect of the same work.

Signature: _____

Print name: _____

For and on behalf of: _____ **(name of undertaking)**

Date: _____



Applicant Details

Company name:

Contact name:

Contact address:

Installation address:

Company VAT number

Telephone: Fax:

Email address:

Installer / supplier:

Declaration:

- The information on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge
- I can confirm this project is unlikely to proceed without the support of NISEP funding
- I agree to the terms and conditions of the grant:
 - I understand the grant payment will not be processed until I submit a copy of the completed grant claim form and a copy of the stamped paid invoice

Signed by:

Name:

Position in company: Date:

**Please return completed form to:
Kathy Smyth, Power NI VSD Grant, Woodchester House,
50 Newforge Lane, Belfast, BT9 5NW**

***If you have any questions, please contact (028) 90685 091 or email:
energysaving@powerni.co.uk***

