



**ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (EIP)
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND
DEMONSTRATION FUNDING**

Program Purpose	To help businesses test, evaluate and demonstrate the technical and/or economic feasibility of new products, technologies or practices that prevent pollution, reduce, reuse, or recycle waste.
Eligible Applicants	NYS businesses and non-profit organizations that employ fewer than 500 workers or earn less than \$10 million in gross annual sales.
Eligible Projects	Research, development or demonstration to answer final questions leading to commercialization of the product or process technology.
Ineligible Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ End of pipe pollution control technology ▪ Practices to achieve compliance with NYS environmental regulations ▪ Technologies employed for energy recovery, incineration, or the processing of waste for use as refuse derived fuel ▪ Clean-up or remediation of contaminated sites ▪ Shifting waste from one medium to another without net environmental benefit ▪ Basic research that fails to address questions needed to successfully commercialize the technology or process
Minimum Requirements	A commitment and ability to directly implement the project results.
Maximum Award	ESD may fund up to \$200,000 of eligible costs, not to exceed 50% of total project.
Eligible Costs	Incremental costs associated exclusively with the test, evaluation or demonstration, including laboratory analysis, professional consulting and equipment rental or lease. Equipment purchases, leasehold improvements and standard operating costs are not eligible.
Expected Results	Businesses must commercialize the study results within two years or make the study results available to other businesses through sale, licensing or publication.
Award Evaluation	Ability to commercialize project results; potential for significant pollution prevention, waste reduction, reuse or recycling from NYS business; amount of matching investment, and amount of cash rather than in-kind match.
How to Apply	Contact an EIP project manager to determine project eligibility and competitiveness. An application includes project description and company financial information. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis, and are generally reviewed monthly.
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This is an overview of the program, and does not include all requirements and details.