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GREEN MARK INCENTIVE SCHEME FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS (GMIS-EB) - AMENDMENTS TO THE QUALIFYING CRITERIA

- 1. On 29 April 2009, BCA launched the \$100 million GMIS-EB (Green Mark Incentive Scheme for Existing Buildings) to encourage private owners of existing buildings to undertake retrofitting works to achieve improvement in energy efficiency. The scheme provides a cash incentive that co-funds up to 35% of the equipment cost for energy efficiency improvements. The qualifying criteria for the co-funding were based on (a) the Green Mark rating achieved and (b) the level of energy savings.
- 2. We have fine-tuned the qualifying criteria for this incentive as follows:-
 - (a) <u>Energy savings</u>: Building owners have two options to compute energy savings i.e. either based on the total building energy consumption or landlord's energy consumption.
 - (b) <u>Air-conditioning system efficiency</u>: Building owners have to achieve the minimum requirement on the system efficiency of the central chilled water air-conditioning plant.
- 3. With these revisions, the GMIS-EB qualifying criteria are now based on (a) the Green Mark rating achieved, (b) the Air-conditioning plant system efficiency achieved and (c) the level of energy savings computed from either the building total energy consumption or landlord energy consumption. Details can be found in Table 1 below.

4. Table 1: Revised qualifying criteria for GMIS-EB

Green Mark Rating	Aircon System Efficiency (kW/RT)	Energy Savings		Co-funding	
		Based on total building consumption	Based on total Landlord's consumption	Rate (based on equipment cost)	Сар
Certified	0.7	20%	25%	20%	\$150,000
Gold		15%	20%		
Gold ^{Plus}	0.65	30%	35%	30%	\$500,000
Platinum	0.6	35%	40%	35%	\$1,500,000

- 5. In addition to the revised qualifying criteria, the amount for the first disbursement has been raised. We have removed the 'next lower tier' principle; now the first disbursement amount will be 50% of the co-funding amount of the qualifying tier or the corresponding absolute cap, whichever is lower.
- 6. These revisions are applicable with immediate effect.
- 7. The full details of this scheme such as application form, application guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions can be found in our website at www.bca.gov.sg/greenmark/gmiseb.html. For clarifications, please contact Mr Halim at DID: 63255082 (or email: md halim anapi@bca.gov.sg) or Mr Elias at DID: 63255014 (or email: muhammad elias@bca.gov.sg) or Mr Patrick Poh at DID: 67304456 (or email: patrick_poh@bca.gov.sg).
- 8. We would appreciate it if you could convey the contents of this circular to the members of your institutes / associations.

Thank you.

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