



Australian Government  
Department of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Forestry

## Securing our Fishing Future

### **BUSINESS ADVICE ASSISTANCE**

The Australian Government will provide reimbursement of up to \$1,500 (GST inclusive) to help cover the costs of obtaining professional advice regarding the Business Exit Assistance – Round 2 (RFT DAFF 75/06) component of the *Securing our Fishing Future* package. This assistance is available to help eligible concession holders make informed business decisions with respect to their participation in the Business Exit Assistance tender.

Fishing concession holders must be eligible to participate in the tender to apply for this assistance.

The following types of professional advice qualify for reimbursement:

- Business management and planning;
- Financial management and planning; and
- Legal.

The advice must be related to the Business Exit Assistance tender and be obtained between 19 October 2006 and 23 November 2006. Claims for reimbursement must be received by 15 January 2007. Eligible concession holders can make multiple claims up to a capped value of \$1,500 (GST inclusive).

If an Eligible Operator received \$1,500 (GST inclusive) for Business Advice Assistance in the first round of Business Exit Assistance, they are not entitled to receive Business Advice Assistance for the second round. However, if an Eligible Operator received less than \$1,500 (GST inclusive) in the first round, they may apply for the balance in relation to the second round.

Claims will only be accepted if a valid tax invoice is presented to support the application for reimbursement.

Claims must be submitted using an “*Application for reimbursement of professional business advice costs*” form. Forms are available from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry website – [www.daff.gov.au/fishingfuture](http://www.daff.gov.au/fishingfuture).

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information contact the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry on [fishingfuture@daff.gov.au](mailto:fishingfuture@daff.gov.au) or phone the helpdesk on 1800 617 866 (toll free).