



1. OPEN ROUNDS

Green Building Fund

Australia-Wide

– **Energy Efficiency, Commercial Office Buildings**

The *Green Building Fund* (\$90m over 4 years) aims to reduce the impact of Australia's built environment by reducing the energy consumed in existing commercial office buildings. **Round 1 closes - 5pm local time on 15 January 2009.** [More information.](#)

Re-Tooling for Climate Change

Australia-Wide

- **Energy & Water Efficiency, Manufacturing Operations**

The *Re-tooling for Climate Change* program (\$75m over 4 years) helps small and medium sized Australian manufacturers reduce their environmental footprint, through projects that improve the energy and/or water efficiency of their production processes. The program provides grants of between \$10,000 and \$500,000, up to a maximum of one third of the cost of each project. **Round 2 - closing 16 February 2009.** [More information.](#)

Climate Ready

Australia-Wide

- **Energy & Water, Research & Development to Commercialisation**

The *Climate Ready* program (\$75m over 4 years) is a competitive grants program providing grants from \$50,000 up to \$5m on a matching funding basis to support research and development, proof-of-concept and early-stage commercialisation activities to develop solutions to climate change challenges. Round 2 – closing 5pm AEDST 4 December 2008. [More information.](#)

Victorian Renewable Energy Support Fund

Victoria

- **Renewable Energy, Implementation**

The Victorian Renewable Energy Support Fund is available to businesses proposing to develop and install renewable energy technologies that increase the uptake of medium-scale sustainable energy supply in Victoria. Funding of up to 20% of project capital cost is available to approved projects. Applications welcome at any time. [More Information.](#)

National Rainwater and Greywater Initiative

Australia-Wide

- **Water Harvesting, Implementation, Surf Life Saving Clubs**

The Minister for Climate Change and Water announced on the 1st of October that the Australian Government will make available grants of up to \$10,000 to surf life saving clubs to install water saving and efficiency devices on club premises as a component of the \$250 million *National Rainwater and Greywater Initiative*. [More information.](#)

The Green Fund Watch is a periodical report detailing the various energy and water funding programs and incentives run by Australian state and federal governments. The Report is published by Demand Manager Pty Ltd – visit www.demandmanager.com.au for more information.

2. UPCOMING ROUNDS TO WATCH

Queensland Sustainable Energy Innovation Fund (QSEIF)

Queensland

- **Sustainable Energy and Water, Implementation**

The Queensland Sustainable Energy Innovation Fund (QSEIF) is administered by the Sustainable Industries Division of the EPA and assists Queensland based organisations to develop innovative technologies that reduce consumption of fossil fuels, water or greenhouse gas emissions. Applications are expected to be called for Round 14 in late 2008 with selected projects to commence in mid-2009. [More information.](#)

NSW Green Business Program

NSW

- **Sustainable Energy and Water, Implementation,**

The NSW Green Business Program provides \$30 million over five years for projects that will save water and energy in business operations in NSW. Round 2 is expected to be called in early 2009. [More information.](#)

3. RECENTLY ANNOUNCED FUNDED PROJECTS

NSW Renewable Energy Program

NSW

- **Renewable Energy, Implementation,**

Round 1 of the Renewable Energy Development Program allocated \$27 million to seven renewable energy projects. [More information on successful projects.](#)

NSW Central Coast Water Savings Fund

Central Coast NSW

- **Water Savings, Implementation**

Round 3 of the Central Coast Water Savings Fund allocated \$713,610 to 12 projects, saving almost 40 million litres of potable water a year. [More information on successful projects.](#)

4. OTHER FUNDING NEWS

MRET Consultation

The Australian Government is inviting comment on the key design principals of the proposed 20% Renewable Energy Target. [More information.](#)

Masdar

There will be a briefing in Sydney on December 5 on opportunities for Masdar - Abu Dhabi's USD\$15 billion investment in renewable energy and sustainability. [More information.](#)