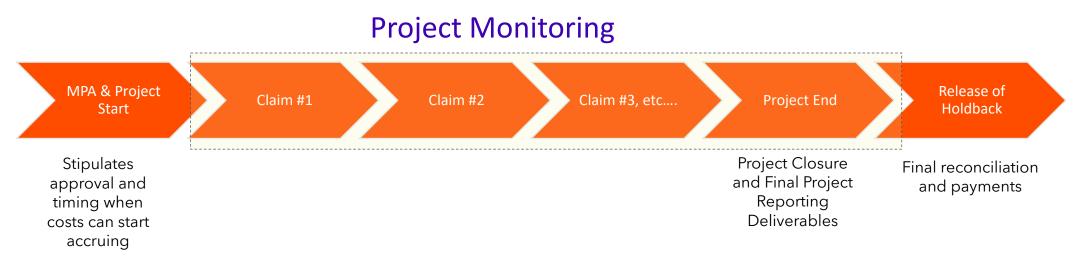
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NGen Project Funding Claims Brief

NGen Project Finance

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Normal Claim Submission Process



- Claims will be made on a reimbursement basis
- Claims are to be submitted to NGen every three months, but the support can be loaded more frequently.
- Once the claim and the supporting documentation has been received by NGen, it will normally be paid within 45 days, unless it is necessary for NGen to seek further information to support the claim.
- NGen will apply a 15% holdback of the funding until it has received and approved all outstanding claims, as well as the project reporting and monitoring obligations as set out in the Master Project Agreement have been met.



Claims Process

- Only <u>eligible</u> project costs as defined by the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) funding rules can be claimed for funding from NGen
 - > Eligible and Ineligible costs are defined in the online Project Financial Guide
- Only expenses incurred after the project start date (specified in the Funding Confirmation Letter) can be claimed
- Claims submitted to NGen must be accompanied by the required supporting documentation (outlined on the following slide)
 - Include invoices only where payment has been made (if the invoice is sitting in your Accounts Payable to be paid, cash has not left your bank account, do not include in claim)
- The reasonableness of claims will be assessed with reference to project budgets and regular monitoring of project progress



Expense Validation

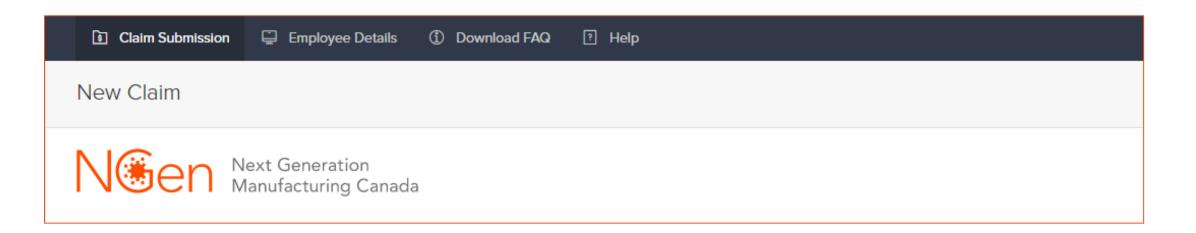
All claims submitted will be reviewed and validated:

- Timesheets reflecting hours worked directly on eligible project activities <u>must</u> be provided
- Payroll registers will be required for submission to support labour charges
- Copies of invoices for expenses >\$500 <u>must</u> be submitted with the claim
- <u>The Government of Canada reserves the right to audit claims and supporting documentation</u> for at least seven years after the completion of the project
 - All supporting documents (timesheets, payroll registers and invoices) must be kept during that seven-year period.
 - We reserve the right to obtain supporting documentation to support Government Audit during that period.



Online Claims Portal

- Submission of claims will be made via an online "Claims Portal"; submitted on a quarterly basis
 - Your organization will be provided with a registration link as well as a user guide
- Will normally be processed within 45 days, given all supporting documentation is in order
- Each project will have an assigned NGen Claims representative who will provide a walkthrough during project kick-off





Online Claims Portal

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CFO Certification

Reconciliations must be accompanied by a signed CFO certification form

- Costs directly related to project
- No ineligible costs
- Incurred and Paid i.e. cash out the door
- Disclosure of:
 - Other subsidies or funding DIRECTLY relating to the project's eligible costs
 - Transactions with related/associated companies

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To: Next Generation Manufacturing Canada

Date: ____

Re: Finance Claim Certification in regard to the NGen Project File Ref # ______(the "Project")

I,_____* of ______* of ______* (the "**Recipient**") certify, solely in my capacity as an Officer of the Recipient and not in any individual capacity, that for this claim:

- 1. Ineligible costs as outlined on the next page <u>have not</u> been included for reimbursement.
- 2. The eligible cost claims submitted to NGen on the date hereof, by the Recipient in regard to the Project have been <u>incurred and paid</u> by the Recipient, and
- 3. The representations, warranties and covenants contained in the NGen funding offer with respect to the Project continue to be true as of the date hereof, and the Recipient is not in default of any terms of the NGen funding offer with respect to the Project, and
- Other government funding (non-NGen) of \$ _____ and other government subsidies of \$_____ was received during the claim period that may pertain to this Project, and
- 5. All transactions with affiliated (related/associated) companies have been highlighted to NGen and exclude any allocation of profit i.e. are valued at cost, and

Signed**
Printed Name:
Printed Title:
Company:
Date:
*The title of the individual signing **Must be signed by a CFO or VP Finance, or their delegate



Thank You!



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