

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Resource Assessment Grants 2015-16**

Victoria leads the nation in the development of waste resource recovery and is aiming to improve. In line with this the 2015-16 Resource Assessment Grants are now open.

This Sustainability Victoria grants initiative provides funding for eligible businesses to review their activities to identify and implement energy and material efficiency improvements and Buloke Shire Council are keen to see eligible businesses apply for and receive funding. Sustainability Victoria is offering these grants to cover 50% of costs to engage a consultant to conduct resource assessments of their operations up to \$5,000 for an energy assessment and \$10,000 for a materials or combined materials and energy assessment.

A \$3,000 implementation bonus is also available for businesses that can show evidence of implementing one or more recommendations made in their assessment.

Since 2012 Victorian business resource assessments show average potential savings of around 20% for energy and up to 30% for materials by identifying a range of measures to significantly reduce both. A detailed resource assessment can provide scoping work that helps inform decisions to invest in energy or materials efficiency.

For more information on the grants available and for application forms visit www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/resource-assessment-grants

Applications close for Energy Assessment Grants on 12 February 2016. Applications close for Material Assessments and for combined Material and Energy Assessments on 13 May 2016.

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