

# **EGFL FAQs TRADE RECEIVABLES LIQUIDITY FACILITY**

## **What is the Trade Receivables Liquidity Facility?**

The Trade Receivables Liquidity Facility (TRLF) is a payment mechanism initiated by the Government of Barbados to enable small businesses to factor outstanding monies owed to them by the government on a timely basis.

## **How long should it take for outstanding invoices to be settled?**

All invoices presented for settlement are usually discounted within fourteen business days.

## **Who is eligible to participate in the TRLF?**

Any Small Business provided they qualify under the Small Business Development Act Cap. 318C Section 3 (b) or is registered with the Small Business Development Unit of the Division of Commerce.

## **What requirements must be satisfied before participants can qualify as a Small Business?**

A business must satisfy **any two** of the following criteria:

- I. Not more than BDS\$1,000,000 as stated or paid up capital;
- II. Not more than BDS\$2,000,000 in annual sales;
- III. Not more than 25 employees.

## **What procedures must be followed when applying for this facility?**

To apply a business must:

- Be certified by the Small Business Development Unit, of the Division of Commerce and Small Business Development
- Submit certification from the relevant government entity and the Accountant General.

## **At which point will funds be disbursed?**

Enterprise Growth fund Ltd (EGFL) will disburse funds to the applicant on presentation of a Guarantee Certificate from the Central Bank of Barbados.

## **Are there any limits to the amounts that can be advanced to a Small Business?**

A Small Business can factor invoices totaling a maximum of BDS\$200,000 per quarter and a minimum of BDS\$5,000.