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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 July 1988

on applications for reimbursement and advance payments in respect of the encouragement of agriculture in less-favoured areas of northern Italy under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(88/489/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 of 6 May 1986 introducing a common action for the encouragement of agriculture in certain less-favoured areas of northern Italy [1], and in particular Article 9 (4) thereof,

Whereas applications for reimbursement and applications for the payment of advances to be submitted by Italy to the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF), Guidance Section, must include certain data in order to enable the compliance of expenditure with the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 and of the programmes submitted by Italy, as approved by the Commission in accordance with Article 4 (2) of the said Regulation to be examined;

Whereas, to enable effective controls to be carried out, Italy must keep supporting documents available to the Commission for a period of three years after the payment of the last reimbursement;

Whereas, to enable the advance payments to be made as provided for in Article 9 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86, detailed rules and procedures must be laid down with regard thereto;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF),

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Applications for reimbursement as provided for in Article 9 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 must be made in accordance with the tables in Annex I.

2. Italy shall forward to the Commission, with the first application for reimbursement, the national provisions on applications and controls, and the administrative instructions, together with the forms and any other documents relating to the administrative implementation of the measures.

Article 2

Italy shall keep available to the Commission, for a period of three years after the payment of the last reimbursement all supporting documents or certified copies thereof which it has in its possession, on the basis of which it was decided to grant the aids provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86, and the applications for reimbursement and advance payments were compiled.

Article 3

The advance payment as provided for in Article 9 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 must be made in accordance with the tables in Annex III.

[1] OJ No L 128, 14. 5. 1986, p. 5.

Article 4

1. Advance payments from the Guidance Section of the EAGGF may be equivalent to a maximum of 80 % of the amount of the Community contribution towards the financing of the expenditure planned for the reference year.

2. Advance payments which are not expended during the year in respect of which they were made shall be decuted from the advance payment to be made in respect of the following year.

3. Advance payments in respect of the following year may not be paid before the documents referred to above have been forwarded to the Commission in the form of :

— either a report drawn up in accordance with the table set out in Annex IV, on operations during the previous year in respect of which advance payments were made,

— or the final application for reimbursement compiled in accordance with Article 1 (1).

Article 5

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 27 July 1988.

For the Commission

Frans ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

ANNEX I

Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 on the encouragement of agriculture in certain less-favoured areas of northern Italy (1)

SUMMARY TABLE

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Type of measure	Expenditure incurred by Italy	Eligible expenditure incurred by Italy	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF	Advance payment already made by the EAGGF	Balance to be reimbursed
Article 2.1 : Improvements in infrastructure (Annexes I.1 — I.3)					
Article 2.2 : Forestry improvements (Annexes I.4 — I.8)					
Article 2.3 : Land consolidation (Annex I.9)					
Article 2.4 : Prevention of soil erosion (Annex I.10)					
Article 2.5 : Improvement of land under collective schemes (Annexes I.11 — I.13)					
Article 2.6 : Collective infrastructure for farm tourism (Annex I.14)					
Sums recovered (Annex II)					
Net total					

Statement to be presented with the application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

The work in respect of which a reimbursement is applied for has been performed in accordance with the programmes approved by the Commission pursuant to Article 4 of the Regulation.

Work which may be eligible for Community aid under other common measures or aid from the European Regional Development Fund is not included in these programmes.

Italy possesses the resources for monitoring effectively the particulars used as a basis for calculating the aids paid which are eligible under the EAGGF and the limits laid down in the Regulation, particularly those provided for in Article 7.

The aids for improving the rural infrastructure meet the requirements of Article 2 (1) of the Regulation.

The aids for forestry improvements meet the requirements of Article 2 (2) of the Regulation.

The aids for land consolidation meet the requirements of Article 2 (3) of the Regulation.

The aids for the prevention of soil erosion meet the requirements of Article 2 (4) of the Regulation.

The aids for the improvement of farmland meet the requirements of Article 2 (5) of the Regulation.

The aids for encouraging farm tourism meet the requirements of Article 2 (6) of the Regulation.

The recipients have been properly informed of the percentage of the appropriations originating from the Community.

Date, stamp and signature of the competent authority

(1) The information provided for in Article 8 of the Regulation must also be sent to the Commission. If certain types of aid in the present Regulation are included in subsequent integrated programmes, it is necessary to indicate these costs clearly.

INFRASTRUCTURE

I. 1. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in the first indent of Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Provision of drinking water

Provision of drinking water to farms

1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8
Administrative unit	Number of households served			Number of villages involved	Total cost of work completed	Recipients' financial contribution	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
	Farms	Population dependent on agriculture	Other sections of village population						
	(1)	(2)	(3)						
Total									

N.B. Administrative unit : region or autonomous district

(1) Indicate the number of homes for beneficiaries who are farmers (farmers, partners, etc).

(2) Indicate the number of homes essentially dependent on agriculture which benefit (separately) from the operation.

(3) Indicate the number of homes for third parties which benefit (separately) from the operation.

I.2. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in the second indent of Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Farm roads

Construction and improvement of farm roads and local roads which are used for agriculture and forestry

1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Administrative unit	Number of households served			Farm roads (km)	Local roads (km)	Total cost of work completed	Recipient's financial contribution	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
	Farms	Population dependent on agriculture	Other sections of village population							
	(1)	(2)	(3)							
Total										

N.B. Administrative unit : region or autonomous district.

(1) Indicate the number of homes for beneficiaries who are farmers (farmers, partners, etc.).

(2) Indicate the number of homes essentially dependent on agriculture which benefit (separately) from the operation.

(3) Indicate the number of homes for third parties which benefit (separately) from the operation.

I. 3. **Electrification**

Provision of electrification to farms

1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8
Administrative unit	Number of households served			Number of villages involved	Total cost of work completed	Recipients' financial contribution	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
	Farms	Population dependent on agriculture	Other sections of village population						
	(1)	(2)	(3)						
Total									

N.B. Administrative unit : region or autonomous district

(1) Indicate the number of homes for beneficiaries who are farmers (farmers, partners, etc).

(2) Indicate the number of homes essentially dependent on agriculture which benefit (separately) from the operation.

(3) Indicate the number of homes for third parties which benefit (separately) from the operation.

FORESTRY

I.4. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

Afforestation

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Area involved (ha)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

I.5. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

Improvement of deteriorated woodlands

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Area involved (ha)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

I.6. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Related work

Control of fast-flowing streams

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Lenght of fast-flowing (km)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

I.7. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Other measures and the prevention of forest fires

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Area involved (ha)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

I.8. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Related work

Earth-moving

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Area involved (ha)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

LAND CONSOLIDATION

I.9. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19 . . and provided for in Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 (Improvement of the efficiency of farmland structures)

Land consolidation

Levelling, work on embankments, ditches and farm roads and other land-improvement measures

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8
Administrative unit	Number of consolidation operations	Number of hectares involved	Number of parcels		Extent of work ha/km	Total cost of work	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure
			before	after				
(a) levelling								
(b) work on embankments and ditches								
(c) farm roads								
(d) other land-improvement measures (1)								
							Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF	

(1) Please specify.

EROSION

I.10. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (4) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

Soil protection

Measures, including the creation of bench terraces and collecting ditches, to protect soil against erosion and wind (1)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Protection against erosion	Protection against wind	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

(1) Please specify

SOIL IMPROVEMENT

I.11. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86 (collective schemes)

Soil improvement

Preparation of unproductive and marginal land

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Stone removal and clearing (ha)	Rotary slashing (ha)	Ploughing (ha)	Other work (ha) (1)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total									

(1) Please specify.

I.12. Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

Improvements of meadows, grassland, grazing land and other areas

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Number of hectares involved : improvement	Number of hectares involved : equipment	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total							

I.13. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Field drainage

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Area drained (ha)	Total cost of work completed	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total						

FARM TOURISM

I.14. **Application for reimbursement of expenditure incurred in 19.. and provided for in Article 2 (6) of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Collective infrastructure to encourage farm tourism

1	2	3	4	5	6
Administrative unit	Number of recipients	Total cost of work completed (1)	Actual expenditure incurred by Member State	Eligible expenditure	Reimbursement applied for to the EAGGF
Total					

(1) Please specify

ANNEX II

RECOVERY

Sums recovered in 19.. in respect of aids granted under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

1	2	3	4	5	6
Administrative unit	Code number of recipient	Eligible aids recovered	Amount to be deducted from EAGGF contribution	Measure concerned (type of aid) and reason for recovery	Where appropriate, code number of communication under Regulation (EEC) No 283/72 (1)

(1) The fact of submitting this table does not obviate the need to forward the documents provided for in Articles 3 and 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 283/72 concerning irregularities and the recovery of sums wrongly paid in connection with the financing of the common agricultural policy and the organization of an information system in this field *(Official Journal of the European Communities* No L 96, 10. 2. 1972, p. 1).

Consequently if the recovery relates to a case of irregularity notified in accordance with the abovementioned Regulation, the number under which the case was notified should be mentioned.

Date, stamp and signature of the competent authority :

ANNEX III

Application for advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5
Type of measure	Costs envisaged for the year for which the application is being made	Eligible aid which the Member State proposes to pay	Reimbursement to be applied for to the EAGGF	Advance payment applied for
Article 2.1 Improvement of rural infrastructure (Annex III. 1)				
Article 2.2 Forestry improvements (Annex III. 2)				
Article 2.3 Land consolidation (Annex III. 3)				
Article 2.4 Prevention of soil erosion (Annex III. 4)				
Article 2.5 Soil improvement (collective schemes) (Annex III. 5)				
Article 2.6 Collective infrastructure for farm tourism (Annex III. 6)				
Net total				

Provisions concerning all application for payments on account

It is hereby confirmed that:

— the advance payment is applied for in respect of agricultural measures forming part of programmes approved by the Commission pursuant to Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86,

— the advance is being requested under Article 9 (3) of the above Regulation,

— expenditure which is eligible for a financial contribution from the Community under other common measures or which qualifies for aid from the European Regional Development Fund is excluded from those programmes,

— the appropriations intended to cover the national financial contribution are available and will be paid during the year in respect of which the advance payments are applied for,

— the costs set out relate to expenditure to be effected during the year in respect of which the advance payments are applied for,

— the advance payments will be made available to the bodies and farmers bearing the financial burden of the work during the year in respect of which the advance payments are applied for,

— the recipients referred to in the above indent will be properly informed, when the advance is paid, of the percentage of the appropriations stemming from the Community (a note on the procedure provided for in this respect is appended to this application),

— with regard to any work put out to public contract, the provisions concerning the procedures for the award of public works and supply contracts laid down in Council Directives 71/305/EEC (1) and 77/62/EEC (2) have been complied with.

Date, stamp and signature of the competent authority:

(1) OJ No L 185, 16. 8. 1971, p. 5.
(2) OJ No L 13, 15. 1. 1977, p. 1.

III.1. **Application for advances payments for 19.. in respect of anticipated expenditure under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

Improvement of infrastructure

(in Lit)

1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sector	Number of households served			Anticipated extend of works (m)	Total anticipated cost	Recipients' anticipated financial contribution	Anticipated expenditure incurred by Italy	Anticipated eligible expenditure	Reimbursement to be applied for	Advance payment applied for to the EAGGF
	Farms	Population dependent on agriculture	Other sections of village population							
	(1)	(2)	(3)							
Electrification										
Provision of drinking water										
Road-building										
Road improvements										
Total										

(1) Indicate the number of homes for beneficiaries who are farmers (farmers, partners, etc.).

(2) Indicate the number of homes essentially dependent on agriculture which benefit (separately) from the operation.

(3) Indicate the number of homes for third parties which benefit (separately) from the operation.

III.2. Application for advance payments for 19.. in respect of anticipated expenditure under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

Forestry

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sector	Number of holdings	Units of investment	Anticipated cost	Anticipated expenditure incurred by Italy	Anticipated eligible expenditure	Reimbursement to be applied for	Advance payment applied for to the EAGGF
		(1)					
Afforestation (2)							
Forestry improvements							
Related work							
Total							

(1) Indicate area (in ha, a, ca); in other cases, use appropriate units.

(2) Where necessary, separate afforestation and reafforestation by devoting a line to each.

III.3. **Application for advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

LAND CONSOLIDATION

Article 2 (3)

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sector	Anticipated cost	Actual cost	%	Anticipated eligible aid	Actual eligible aid	%	Anticipated reimbursement	EAGGF advance payment
Land improvement								
Related work								
Total								

III.4. Application for advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

PREVENTION OF SOIL EROSION

Article 2 (4)

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sector	Anticipated cost	Actual cost	%	Anticipated eligible aid	Actual eligible aid	%	Anticipated reimbursement	EAGGF advance payment
Small dams, breakwaters, etc								
Bench terraces								
Planting, etc								
Total								

III.5. **Application for advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86**

SOIL IMPROVEMENT

Article 2 (5)

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sector	Anticipated cost	Actual cost	%	Anticipated eligible aid	Actual eligible aid	%	Anticipated reimbursement	EAGGF advance payment
Drainage								
Other measures (please specify)								
Total								

III.6. Application for advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FARM TOURISM

Article 2 (6)

(in Lit)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sector	Anticipated cost	Actual cost	%	Anticipated eligible aid	Actual eligible aid	%	Anticipated reimbursement	EAGGF advance payment
Collective infrastructure (please specify)								
Total								

ANNEX IV

Report on the use of advance payments for 19.. under Regulation (EEC) No 1401/86

1	2			3			4			5		
Type of measure	Total cost of measures			Total expenditure incurred by Italy			Total eligible expenditure			Advance payments		
	Anticipated	Actual	%	Anticipated	Actual	%	Anticipated	Actual	%	Received	Paid out	%
	(1)	(2)	(5)	(1)	(2)	(5)	(1)	(2)	(5)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Improvement of infrastructure												
Forestry improvements												
Land consolidation												
Prevention of soil erosion												
Soil improvement												
Infrastructure for farm tourism												
Total												

(1) Figures from tables in Annex III.

(2) In the year for which the advance payment was made.

(3) Advance payments received from the EAGGF.

(4) Advances paid out to recipients funding the measures.

(5) If the percentage is less than 80 % or over 120 %, enclose reasons on a separate sheet.

Date, stamp and signature of the competent authority: