Step 6: Project Details for Technology and Equipment to Improve Labour Productivity (EMPT-PD-C)

1. What activity/activities will you complete as part of the project? (Check all that apply)

    Retrofit, upgrade, and/or acquire new equipment/technology (including integrated software systems) to increase automation

    Modification of existing equipment/technology (including integrated software systems) for optimization and/or to enable installation of automation and labour-saving equipment/technology

    Third-party advisory services for first-time training of key personnel on project-related new equipment, technology, software, or processes

    Third-party advisory services for development/translation labour productivity-focused policies, feedback systems, preventative maintenance procedures, or standard operational procedures to improve personnel performance, reduce downtime, reduce waste, and optimize labour availability

2. Do you meet any of the following criteria? (Check all that apply)

    Operating in Northern Ontario

    Indigenous Partner

    Implementing upgrades that are new or novel in Ontario, meaning they have been adopted by less than 20 per cent of the sector to date, as detailed in the labour productivity plan provided with the application

    None of the above

3. How will the proposed project improve labour productivity, as detailed in your labour productivity plan provided with the application?

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4. Which Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will be decreased by the proposed project? (Check all that apply)

Cost of labour, quantify in $:_____

Downtime, quantify in hours per day:_____

Water usage, quantify volume in m3 and cost in $: _____

Electricity usage, quantify volume in kW and cost in $: _____

Natural gas usage, quantify volume and cost in $: _____

Organic waste, quantify volume in kg and cost in $: _____

Packaging waste, quantify volume in kg and cost in $: _____

Ingredient usage, quantify: _____

Wastewater, quantify volume in m3 and cost in $: _____

Other, specify: _____

None of the above

5. As detailed in your labour productivity plan, will your production output change (units per hour/day/week)?

Yes, it will increase, explain and quantify:

_____

Yes, it will decrease, explain and quantify:

_____

No, it will not change

6. What business impacts are you expecting from the proposed project? (Check all that apply)

Reduced identified risks, explain and quantify:

_____

Job creation or retention, explain and quantify:

_____

Value of increased sales revenue in international markets, explain and quantify:

_____

Value of increased sales revenue in Canada, explain and quantify:

_____

Increased profitability, explain and quantify:

_____

Gain competitive advantage for markets, explain and quantify:

_____

Technical skills development and improved performance of personnel, explain and quantify:

_____

Other business impacts, explain and quantify:

_____

None of the above

7. What is the total investment that your business will make to implement this project (including but not limited to the eligible costs of this application)? _____

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8. What assurance benefits will your project provide? (Check all that apply)

Incent public trust that you are implementing practices that result in healthy, humanely treated animals and ultimately, safe food, explain:

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Improve animal health and lower the risk of spread or introduction of disease, explain:

_____

Improve plant health and lower the risk of spread or introduction of pests/disease, explain:

_____

Improve your food safety and/or traceability program, explain:

_____

Expand or maintain market access for your product(s) by improving your food safety or traceability system, explain:

_____

None of the above

9. What environmental benefits will your project provide? (Check all that apply)

Reduce wastes, explain:

_____

Preserve or improve soil quality, explain:

_____

Preserve or improve water quality and or quantity, explain:

_____

Reduce your business' carbon footprint, explain:

_____

None of the above

10. Does your project improve the labour working conditions of your business?

Yes, explain how:

_____

No

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