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Application Requirements

The following information provides guidelines for applicants of the Australian Battery Society Energy Renaissance Innovator Award (**Award**).

1. GENERAL

1.1 Citizenship. Awards are offered to Australian Citizens and Permanent Residents only.

1.2 Age. Awards are granted to applicants over the age of 18 years. No upper age limit is prescribed.

1.3 To be considered for the Award. Applicants need to be a subscriber to the Australian Battery Society and involved in activities relating to the Field of Electrochemical Energy Storage. This may include being enrolled at a tertiary institution completing a Masters or PhD qualification, TAFE course, employed in the course of their work, involved in policy or education activities related to electrochemical energy storage.

1.3 Ineligible. Directors, employees or relatives of the directors or employees of the Australian Battery Society and its associated sponsors, and Energy Renaissance Pty. Ltd. are ineligible for the Award. If an Applicant has received the Award, they will be ineligible to apply another Award.

1.4 Tertiary Qualifications. Awards will not be awarded to enable the applicant to obtain/complete tertiary qualifications eg. PhD. However, the Award may be used towards training courses that support the Awardee's activity (see point 1.5 for more detail).

1.5 Nature of Activity. The Award will be provided for the purpose of pursuing an investigative project, attend a conference (local or overseas), visit a company or research institution, or attend a course related to the field of electrochemical energy storage. Awards will be granted in the following areas:

- i. Battery minerals; discovery to recovery, beneficiation of minerals, (i.e. spodumene to LiOH / Li₂CO₃)



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- ii. Battery Chemistry, i.e. cathode, anode, electrolyte, separator materials development
- iii. Prototyping of batteries i.e. cell fabrication and testing
- iv. Design of battery packs, incl. development of safety and control systems, such as battery management systems
- v. Deployment and use of batteries, i.e. energy storage on the grid, vehicles, disruptive mobility, etc.
- vi. Recycling of batteries
- vii. Policy development, contributions to STEM at Primary and Secondary school levels and other associated activities.

The Award can be used to explore any electrochemical energy storage chemistry type, i.e. Lithium, Sodium, Calcium Aluminium, Redox-Flow, etc.

1.6 Citizens Overseas. An applicant who is an Australian Citizen, temporarily overseas, will be considered for an Award.

1.7 Joint and Multiple Applications. Awards are awarded to individual applicants only and for individual Activities only. An applicant can only lodge one application per year.

1.8 Amount of Award. The value of the award is A\$ 2,500. See point 3 for more detail.

1.9 Support From Other Sources. The Award is separate to any other Support that might be received by the Awardee and may be held concurrently.

1.10 Duration of Award. The Award is for the duration of the calendar year in which it is awarded. Should an Awardee require additional time beyond this to fulfil the plans submitted in their application, this will be at their own expense.

1.11 Continuous Travel. An Award must be taken as one continuous journey from / within Australia.

1.12 All Decisions are Final. The decision of the Award is in the sole discretion of Australian Battery Society and all decisions on allocation of awards are final. No correspondence will be entered into with unsuccessful applicants.

2. CONDITIONS OF AWARD

2.1 Contract. The Award is subject to the Awardee agreeing to be bound by the conditions laid down in a Contract document signed between the Australian Battery Society and the Awardee. An Award cannot commence, nor initial payment made, until the Australian Battery Society receives an executed copy of the Contract document from the Awardee.



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2.2 Use of Image. As part of the grant of the Award, you consent and provide permission to the Australian Battery Society and Energy Renaissance Pty Ltd to use your image and story to promote the Award and related activities.

2.3 Privacy Policy. By submitting an application, you have read and agreed to the Australian Battery Society Privacy Policy <https://australianbatterysociety.org/privacy-policy/>

3. PAYMENT OF THE AWARD

3.1 Initial Payment. On completion of the Contract, A\$ 2000 will be paid to the Awardee.

3.2 Final Payment. On completion of the Award and submission of the Final Report to the Australian Battery Society, the final A\$ 500 will be paid to the Awardee.

3.3 Direct Transfer. The Award will be paid electronically into the Awardee's nominated bank account.

4. TRAVEL

4.1 Domestic and International Travel. We recommend that all Awardees have appropriate level of Travel Insurance suitable for their destination(s). The Australian Battery Society and / or Energy Renaissance Pty. Ltd. will not be responsible for any loss or injury incurred by the Awardee as a result of their travel. All Awardees travel is at their own risk.

5. TAX IMPLICATIONS FOR AWARDEES

5.1 Income Tax. The liability of an Awardee for Income Tax is a matter for decision by the Commissioner of Taxation and the Australian Battery Society or Energy Renaissance Pty. Ltd. has no responsibility or authority in the matter. The Australian Battery Society recommends that Awardees keep receipts for all expenditure during their Award and seek independent advice with respect to their eligibility for claiming tax deductions.

6. ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

The purpose of the application form is to enable the Australian Battery Society and Energy Renaissance Pty Ltd. to assess the applicant and the outline of the proposed project to draw up short-lists for the Award. All applications must be made using the online application form.

7. REFEREE REPORTS

The applicant is required to obtain a Project Reference and a Personal Reference as part of the application process.

References must be requested by the applicant and uploaded to the Application portal in a pdf form. No editing of the reference is permitted by you as the applicant.



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The Australian Battery Society and Energy Renaissance Pty. Ltd. reserve the right to contact the applicants referees to assess the veracity of the reference provided.

We recommend that you identify your referees and make your requests for references early in the application process to allow sufficient time for your referees to write and lodge the references online prior to the closing date.

It is preferable to utilise Australian Citizens as referees.

8. APPLICATION ARCHIVE

All documentation forming any part of an Energy Renaissance Innovator Award application becomes the property of the Australian Battery Society and will be archived electronically.

9. COMPETITION AND FURTHER APPLICATION

The awarding of Energy Renaissance Innovator Award is a competitive process.

If your Award application is unsuccessful, we encourage you to consider applying again in a future round.