

## APPENDIX A - Category Specific Supplement

### INNOVATION

#### I. Objectives

To invest in infrastructure at post-secondary institutions that contributes to economic growth, a clean environment and stronger communities.

#### II. Subcategories

- Post-secondary research and development laboratories and centres, and related teaching facilities.
- Office space for the purpose of conducting research and development.
- Research libraries associated with the research laboratories and centres.

**Notes:** *Eligible investments under each sub-category could include installation of underlying connective infrastructure as necessary (e.g. water/sewer connections, electricity connections, new technologies and implementation of approaches for improved energy efficiency in laboratories, telecommunications infrastructure).*

#### III. Outcomes and Benefits

The project must demonstrate how it provides benefits to British Columbians in support of one or more of the following outcomes:

- Enhancing capacity of post-secondary institutions to develop and transfer new knowledge through leading-edge basic and applied research and teaching;
- Increasing opportunities for collaboration between public institutions and the private sector supporting the transfer of innovative technologies and research to market; and,
- Developing a highly-skilled workforce driving innovation in sectors that support increased diversification or competitiveness of the national, regional, or local economy and contribute to sustained long-term growth.

#### IV. Project Specific Criteria

- Must demonstrate the economic advantages and the broader public benefits of the project.
- Demonstrates that there is an existing or new research or teaching program and committed funding associated with it.
- Demonstrates that the project will primarily support basic or applied research and development, and teaching programs in one or more of the following disciplines: natural sciences; health sciences; engineering; computer science, technology and mathematics; or demonstrates that the project will primarily support development in the area of industrial innovation.