



“Promoting Innovation in Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Business”

Application for Maryland Resource-Based Industry Financing Fund Loan

Program Description

The Maryland Resource-Based Industry Financing Fund has been established by MARBIDCO to help meet the unique financing needs of Maryland farm, forestry and seafood businesses, particularly with respect to entrepreneurship and business innovation. A major aim of this program is to help agricultural and resource-based businesses to innovate, diversify and exploit emerging market opportunities in food and fiber production and in farm and forest-based recreation. Examples of innovative business activities and enterprises include (but are not limited to) on-farm and off-farm value-added food processing, niche product development and marketing, and primary/secondary wood products manufacturing. This program may also assist qualified applicants with the purchase of rural working farm/forest land, as well as help finance environmental or water-quality enhancement projects. *Another important objective of this program is to complement the financial services offered by private capital and credit providers by helping to make rural business “gap” financing both available and affordable.*

This program makes available low-interest loans to qualified applicants for the purchase of land and capital equipment for business activities that were briefly described above. MARBIDCO may provide up to a maximum of 50% of any financing needed for a project under the condition that a commercial lender (and/or a public instrumentality) has at least an equal financial commitment in the project. All loan applications will be developed and submitted to MARBIDCO by commercial bank or Farm Credit Association loan officers (in consultation with borrowers and other rural business advisors). However, MARBIDCO will make and service its own loans. *In terms of collateral security, MARBIDCO would have second lien position to that of the commercial lender in most situations.*

Loan Terms and Conditions

Maximum Loan Amount:	\$200,000 for acquisition of equipment and fixed assets. \$400,000 for real estate purchases, food/meat processing and bioenergy projects.
Equity Requirement:	Typically 10% of a project’s total cost.
MARBIDCO Interest Rate:	3% APR (Fixed rate for 3 years; higher rate thereafter.)
Loan Origination Fee:	0.5% of loan amount (Paid at closing to MARBIDCO.)
Loan Terms:	Equipment: 5 to 7 years. Land: 10 to 30 years.
Commercial Lender Participation:	Required. MARBIDCO can provide supplemental loan proceeds of up to 100% of amount of the commercial financing. <i>(Illustration: If a bank is willing to loan \$50,000 for a business activity contingent on MARBIDCO’s participation, MARBIDCO may loan up to an additional \$50,000 for such a project.)</i>
Government Financial Participation:	Optional.
Personal Guarantee:	Required. All loans made to a business entity must be personally guaranteed by the owners of the business.
Application Submission Process:	All applications must be facilitated by a commercial loan officer or Farm Credit Association representative because of credit underwriting requirements. Cooperative extension agents, county agricultural marketing officials, and other business professionals may assist in the development of applications.
Send Completed Applications to:	MARBIDCO Loan Programs, 1410 Forest Drive, Suite 28, Annapolis, MD 21403

SECTION 1: SPONSORING LENDER INFORMATION

(To be completed by sponsoring bank or Farm Credit Association representative.)

Loan Officer Name _____ Title _____

Work Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Mobile Telephone _____ Fax Number _____

Lending Institution Name _____

Address _____ City _____

County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

LOAN REQUEST INFORMATION

Total Amount Requested from MARBIDCO: _____ **Term Requested:** _____

Repayment Method (circle one): monthly quarterly annually

Total Amount of financing to be provided by the Sponsoring Lender: _____

Bank Terms: _____ **Interest rate to be charged:** _____ (Fixed or Variable)

Use of Funds	Amount
	\$
	\$
	\$

Other Sources of Equity and/or Matching Funds:

Source	Amount
	\$
	\$
Total	\$

COLLATERAL

(List all collateral that can be used as security for the loan and any other lien holders on each item of collateral.)

Collateral	Value	Lien Holders	Lien Amount
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$

CERTIFICATION

The applicant is current on all existing financial obligations to our institution, and, to my knowledge has not filed for Bankruptcy during last 7 years: Yes No

I certify that the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Loan Officer Signature _____ **Date** _____

SECTION 2: PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT TYPE

(Check any that may apply.)

- Value-Added Food Processing
- Agri-Tourism/Rural Recreation
- Timber Growing or Harvesting
- Primary/Secondary Wood Processing
- Environmental/Water Quality
- Biomass/Energy Production
- Niche Market Production
- Aquaculture/Fishing/Seafood
- Other: _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT, INCLUDING THE JUSTIFICATION FOR MARBIDCO FINANCING

(Include details on any land or equipment to be purchased and any labor that will likely be needed.)

EMPLOYMENT DATA

of full-time jobs current _____ # of NEW full-time jobs projected within 36 months _____

of part-time jobs current _____ # of NEW part-time jobs projected within 36 months _____

OTHER PROJECT ADVISOR(S) *(If Applicable)*

1-Name _____ Title _____

Institution/Firm _____

Work Telephone _____ E-mail _____

2-Name _____ Title _____

Institution/Firm _____

Work Telephone _____ E-mail _____

SECTION 3: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Business/Farm Name _____

Business Address _____ County _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Contact Person _____ Title _____

Work Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Home Telephone _____ Mobile Phone _____

BUSINESS STRUCTURE

Year & State Established/Incorporated _____

Corporation Partnership Proprietorship LLC SIC/NAICS Code _____

MANAGEMENT/OWNERSHIP

1-Name _____ Title _____

Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____ % Ownership _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

2- Name _____ Title _____

Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____ % Ownership _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

3- Name _____ Title _____

Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____ % Ownership _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

4- Name _____ Title _____

Social Security # _____ Date of Birth _____ % Ownership _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ Telephone _____

PHYSICAL FACILITIES (REAL ESTATE)

If Owned

Annual Mortgage Payment _____ Term of Mortgage _____

Mortgage Balance _____ Appraised Value _____

Size(acres) _____ Tillable Acres _____ Number of Parcels _____ Irrigated? _____

Type/# of Buildings _____

If Leased

Annual Rental Expense _____ Lease From _____

Size(acres) _____ Location _____

Phone Number of Owner/Leasing Agent _____

DECLARATIONS

If answering "yes" to any of these questions, please provide an explanation on a separate sheet and attach.

- 1. Is the business or any of the top management personnel an endorser, guarantor or co-signer for obligations not listed on its/their financial statements? Yes No
- 2. Is the business or any of the top management personnel a party to any claim or lawsuit? Yes No
- 3. Has the business or any of the top management personnel ever declared bankruptcy? Yes No
- 4. Does the business or any of the management personnel owe any taxes for prior years? Yes No
- 5. Have any managers or owners received a felony conviction? Yes No

SECTION 4: ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENTS CHECKLIST

- 1. Description and history of the applicant company or farm operation.
- 2. Business plan for the project to receive financing.
- 3. Resume(s) or working history of principal business owner(s) and/or farm manager(s).
- 4. Applicant *and* farm operation tax returns for the two preceding years.
- 5. Completed Balance Sheet (attachment 1).
- 5. Completed Pro Forma Income Statement (attachment 2).
- 5. Completed Debt Repayment Schedule (attachment 3).
- 6. If offering real estate as collateral, a copy of the most recent appraisal.

SECTION 5: SIGNATURES

EQUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITY ACT (15 U.S.C. 1691)

The Federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act prohibits creditors from discriminating against credit applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status or age (provided that the applicant has the capacity to enter into a binding contract), because all or part of the applicant’s income derives from any public assistance program, or because the applicant has in good faith exercised any right under the Consumer Credit Protection Act. The Federal agency that administers compliance with this law concerning this creditor is the Federal Trade Commission, Equal Credit Opportunity, Washington, D.C. 20580.

AUTHORITY TO COLLECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act of 1974). Effect of Non-Disclosure: Omission of an item means your application might not receive full consideration.

I/We authorize disclosure of all information submitted in connection with this application to the financial institution agreeing to participate in the project financing. I/We waive all claims against either the sponsoring financial institution or MARBIDCO.

I/We realize that if I/We do not comply with the aforementioned Certification, my/our loan can be called, terminated or repayments accelerated.

CERTIFICATION

I/We certify all information in this application and the attachments is true and complete to the best of my/our knowledge and is submitted so the MARBIDCO Loan Committee can decide whether to offer financial assistance.

Signature _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Printed Name _____

Date _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Printed Name _____

Date _____ Date _____

Note: MARBIDCO agrees to hold Recipient's Application and Financial Reports in confidence to the extent reasonably permitted by Title 10, Subtitle 6 of the State Government Article of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, MARBIDCO shall not be obligated to maintain in confidence any information: 1) which was already known to MARBIDCO; or, 2) which is or comes into the public domain through no fault of MARBIDCO; or, 3) which is independently developed by MARBIDCO; or, 4) which comes to MARBIDCO from a third party which is not in violation of any obligation of confidentiality to Applicant or MARBIDCO.

Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet Date: _____

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>
Current Assets	Current Liabilities
Cash _____	Accounts Payable _____
Accounts Receivable _____	Credit Cards (specify): _____
Notes Receivable _____	_____
_____	_____
Crops Held for Resale _____	_____
Inventory _____	_____
Savings Account _____	Notes Payable (specify): _____
Other Current Assets _____	_____
Current Assets	_____
Automobile/Trucks/Boats _____	Other Liabilities _____
Machinery & Equipment _____	Current Liabilities
Shops & Supplies _____	_____
Dairy Livestock _____	Current Portion of Long Term Debt* _____
Other Breeding Livestock _____	_____
IRA/401K Retirement Accts _____	Mortgages (specify) _____
Farm Land _____	_____
Acres _____	_____
Acres _____	Car Loans (specify) _____
Acres _____	_____
Forest Land _____	_____
Acres _____	Other long-term Loans (specify) _____
Acres _____	_____
Acres _____	_____
Residence _____	_____
Other Real Estate (specify) _____	_____
_____	Non Current Liabilities
Non Current Assets	Total Liabilities
_____	_____
Total Assets	Total Liabilities
_____	_____

*Current portion of long term debt represents the total amount of long-term debt that must be paid within the next year.

Pro Forma Income Statement

(Revenue and expense projections for the upcoming year)
Date: _____

Farm/Business Income and Expenses

Income	
Sales of:	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Rental Income	_____
Ag Program Payments	_____
Other Income (specify)	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Less Cost of Goods Sold	_____
Gross Farm/Business Income	_____

Expenses	
Advertising	_____
Car & Truck Expenses	_____
Chemicals	_____
Salaries & Wages	_____
Labor Hired	_____
Custom Hire/Consultants	_____
Feed Purchased	_____
Fertilizer	_____
Freight, Trucking	_____
Gasoline, Fuel, Oil	_____
Insurance	_____
Rent of Machinery & Equip	_____
Rent of Farm, Pasture	_____
Repairs, Maintenance	_____
Seeds, Plants Purchased	_____
Storage, Warehousing	_____
Utilities	_____
Veterinary, Medicine, Breeding	_____
Miscellaneous Expenses (specify)	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Total Farm/Business Expenses	_____
Net Farm/Business Income	_____

Other Income and Expenses

Income	
Salaries & Wages	_____
Interest & Dividends	_____
Non Farm Rental	_____
Pension/Social Security	_____
Alimony/Child Support	_____
Other Income (specify)	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Gross Other Income	_____
Expenses	
Social Security Withholding	_____
Self-Employment Taxes	_____
Income Taxes (State & Federal)	_____
Alimony/Child Support	_____
Other Expenses (specify)	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Total Other Expenses	_____
Net Other Income	_____

Farm or Business Debt Repayment Schedule

Date: _____

Lender and Loan Number	Original Amount	Date Incurred	Interest Rate	Payments Per Year	Amount of Periodic Payment	Loan Balance
Annual Totals						

Personal Debt Repayment Schedule

(including car loans)

Date: _____

Lender and Loan Number	Original Amount	Date Incurred	Interest Rate	Payments Per Year	Amount of Periodic Payment	Loan Balance
Annual Totals						