



Capital for Enterprise is the Government's new £75m equity/ mezzanine fund, designed to enable SME's to access capital during this period of poor liquidity, trading challenges and competitive opportunities. The majority of the funds are earmarked for investment by April 2010.

Buckingham Corporate Finance has been engaged by Octopus Investments Ltd., one of the Government-appointed fund managers, to identify and appraise appropriate businesses for investment by the Capital For Enterprise Fund.

We are actively seeking introductions to prospects which fit the following investment criteria:

- Turnover in excess of £4m
- Established business with sustainable operating profit in excess of £0.5m
- Incentivised management teams with proven track record
- Operating in a growing market
- Strong defensible position relative to competitors
- Seeking funding of £0.5-£2m

Funding can be used for any of the following but not for extraction by shareholders:

- Repayment of debt
- Relief of pressure from trade creditors
- Working capital e.g. To fund new contracts
- Capex on new plant & machinery
- Rollout funding for proven business model expansion
- Acquisitions

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