## **Freedom Motors EB-5 Process Flow**



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The following is the process flow of Freedom Motors (FM) EB-5 project. The **BLUE** color process block represents accomplished activities. The **GREEN** color process block indicates that it is ongoing. The **YELLOW** color process block indicates near future activities.

EB-5 Evaluation	<ul> <li>Manufacturing Model.</li> <li>Financial Model.</li> </ul>
1	•Total Available Market & Market Demand.
Partnership	<ul> <li>FM partners with EB-5 Investor Portal (EB5IP)</li> <li>Project Evaluation.</li> </ul>
<sup>3</sup> FM & Partner Activities	<ul> <li>FM Indentifies 3 land parcels in TEA Zone (10% visas reserved in this category).</li> <li>EB5IP identifies 3 regional centers.</li> <li>EB5IP brings in partner for Economic Study and Business Plan.</li> <li>EB5IP identifies attorneys, fund manager, and other SMEs.</li> </ul>
<sub>4</sub> Agents and Sub-Agents	<ul> <li>FM signs contract with agents in China.</li> <li>FM signs contract with agent in India.</li> <li>FM signs contract with agents in Asia (other than China &amp; India).</li> </ul>
FM Onboarding Potential 5 Investors	•In order to move forward with this endeavor, FM through its agents are looking for initial 10 investors who would want to take advantage of this program. Once the initial investors are identified and signed up, FM will move to the next stage.
FM Petitions the US 6 Government	•With initial investors on board, FM petitions the US Government (with the help of EB5IP and partners) and seeks the project approved under TEA thus providing the investors a direct path for visas.
FM EB-5 Portal	•After US Government approves the project, FM provides all its investors with an online portal for onboarding and begining the process of investment and visa applications
8 FM EB-5 Portal Activities	<ul> <li>Provide every investor with a login to view all activities of FM under EB-5 program</li> <li>Full transperency with regular reports including filing activities.</li> </ul>

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## Activity details:

- 1. FM completed the process #1 in the last 6 months. It has a comprehensive manufacturing model for \$40 million dollars in phase 1. In phase 1, FM intends to begin manufacturing all its Rotapower<sup>®</sup> engine models and also test and deploy its next generation 5-stroke engines. In phase 2, FM partners with its technology partner to develop the Rotapower<sup>®</sup> engine powered unmanned and single passenger Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Vertical Take Off & Landing (VTOL) Aircraft for the unmanned and single passenger markets. FM also has future plans for multiple passenger AAM VTOL aircraft. The advantage of a single passenger aircraft is that it is light weight and will be considered under FAA's light recreational aircraft category that has minimal certification requirements and path to commercialization is significantly expedited.
- FM has forged a strong partnership with EB-5 Investor Portal (EB5IP) to administer the EB-5 project. EB5IP is a premier EB-5 consultant and has decades of experience in this field and many partnerships within the EB-5 ecosystem, including regional centers, attorneys, and relevant SMEs. For more information, please visit EB5IP website (EB-5 Investor Portal)
- 3. EB5IP works with its partner to develop an economic model and a business plan to petition the US government to seek approval for the FM EB-5 project under the TEA (Targeted Employment Zone) Category.
- 4. Since the implementation of Reform & Integrity Act (RIA) in March 2022, the US Government has reserved 10% of visas (about 2,000 visas) for TEA projects and 2% of the visas (about 400 visas) for Infrastructure projects. Investors who invest in projects under these categories have priority over all other visas and don't wait in line for their visa processing.
- 5. As far the market research is conducted, FM is the only project in 2024 to be qualified as TEA project. According to the <u>2022 report</u> and <u>2023 report</u>, no projects have been through TEA category since the passage of the Reform & Integrity Act (RIA). This poses a significant advantage for FM project as all its investors get priority through these reserved categories.
- 6. Currently FM is seeking potential investors who are willing to invest in FM and provide a down payment (credited towards the administrative fees) to FM. FM provides a letter attesting to the down payment and prioritizes the investor to the top of the list (priority number is determined as the investors come in). Once FM identifies the initial investors, it will proceed with the next process #6, #7, and #8).
- 7. After the down payment, it approximately takes 90-120 for the US government approvals to come by and then the EB-5 custom portal to be ready. During this time, the investors are encouraged to prepare for the \$800,000 investment within 90-120 days.
- 8. Immediately after the approval, FM will seek investment amounts from the investor through the EB-5 custom portal and concurrently begins the processing of the visas through its attorneys (who are contracted by the investors as well). FM provides all necessary documentation for EB-5 Visa filing.
- 9. Through the EB-5 custom portal, FM provides full transparency to the investors. The investors can follow the FM EB-5 project progress in real-time.

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### Frequently Asked Questions:

1. For all EB-5 related questions please visit EB5IP FAQ section by clicking <u>here</u>. EB5IP website is full of valuable information and testimonials.

#### 2. What is Reform & Integrity Act of 2022 (RIA) and how it helps EB-5 Investors?

The regulatory environment in the EB-5 industry is ever-changing - especially since March 2022, when major reforms to the immigration program took place. When Congress passed the <u>EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act</u> of 2022, its prime goal was to make the process more transparent and fairer for everyone, as well as more efficient and helpful.

To encourage investment in areas with high unemployment rates and economic distress, the reform act further prioritizes projects in TEAs. The aim is to promote economic growth, enable job creation, and revitalize struggling communities.

TEA investors now get access to exclusive set-aside visa categories. These can allow investors to immigrate years faster than otherwise possible.

The act also renews the EB-5 Regional Center Program, which can periodically expire. Now the program extends to September 2027, supplying stability and continuity for investors and developers involved in regional center projects. This reauthorization also offers reassurance to participants in the EB-5 program and supports investor confidence.

In addition, the EB-5 Reform and Integrity Act has further sought to make the application process more efficient and open. Chiefly, the reform calls for a designated point of contact <u>within the United States</u> <u>Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)</u> to supply information and updates to applicants.

To further make the "investment" part of the EB-5 program more effective, the act allows for concurrent visa filing. This enables individuals to apply for an adjustment of U.S. resident status (I-485) while also filing a petition for the EB-5 program (I-526E). This will boost efficiency and make it easier for foreign nationals to live while their paperwork is in progress.

Thanks to concurrent filing, EB-5 investors can get an employment authorization document (EAD) and travel permit significantly faster.

The 2022 Act specifies certain EB-5 immigrant visa set-asides for those who invest in TEAs, including the following:

- 20% for qualified immigrants who invest in a rural area,
- 10% for qualified immigrants who invest in a high-unemployment area, and
- 2% for qualified immigrants who invest in an *infrastructure project*.

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#### 3. What is the advantage of FM project as compared to any other EB-5 project?

Almost all EB-5 projects focus on real estate, commercial buildings, hotels, hospitals etc.. None have ever introduced a technology project in the EB-5 category.

FM project is unique and allows investors to directly invest in the company with an equity share. This provides tremendous growth opportunities for the investors investment funds. FM project also provides flexibility to the investors if they want to invest as a convertible loan or a traditional loan with an annual interest rate.

FM project is truly the future of transportation in this world. With the support of the <u>White House of the United</u> <u>States</u>, The US Congress has passed the Infrastructure Bill that focuses on enhancing the infrastructure of the USA in categories like greenhouse gas emissions, EV charger network, future transportation among others. FM projects fits perfectly in the goal and focus of the US Government and Congress.

FM has over 2 decades of experience in developing cutting edge Rotapower® engine technology for the Air Taxi industry, zero emissions Rotapower® engines based genset, EV range extenders, and chargers. The power and efficiency of the futuristic Rotapower® engine technology provides the solution for mitigating greenhouse gas emissions, deploying futuristic Air Taxi market, and rapidly deploying EV range extenders and chargers at a significantly lower costs.

Morgan Stanley predicts that the advanced air mobility (AAM) market will total \$1.5 trillion by 2040 and \$9 trillion by 2050. The AAM market will be dominated by air taxis. Existing piston engines have a very low power to weight ratio and cannot be used as a primary power source in this application [Morgan Stanley Study].

Similarly, over 165 million non-automotive engines are produced annually worldwide. Most original equipment manufacturers (OEM's) consider power to weight ratio their most important engine requirement.

FM is poised to become the world leader with its Rotapower® engine technology.

#### 4. Why is FM seeking an initial investors to sign up and provide an advance?

FM has done tremendous market research and study. The market is eager for a technology that can provide a true solution to mitigating greenhouse gas emissions and also providing futuristic technology at a significantly affordable price. FM has invested over \$65 million in developing its patented Rotapower® engine technology.

FM targeted investors are those who are interested in investing in a technology project, seek significant growth in their investments and receive their green cards as a side benefit.

FM is seeking the initial investors to reach a threshold target which will allow FM to truly comply with the EB-5 laws. FM has to hire 10 employees per investor and initial investors shall provide that threshold to move forward with this endeavor.

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# 5. What is the time taken from an initial investor providing down payment to the beginning of the process?

FM is at a great advantage when it signed up with EB5IP as its partner. EB5IP brings their entire network of regional centers, attorneys, economists, and other SMEs.

As investors seek their visas through the TEA category, they will have an expedited process through this reserved category and receive their visa significantly faster than the general category most EB-5 projects provide. Through the EB-5 TEA category, the investors have to invest only \$800,000 (Administrative fee are extra) instead of \$1,050,000.

#### 6. Does FM have a robust project plan?

Yes, FM has a robust plan and can be found here.

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