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IDB Responses to questions on the cook-stoves project

Dear Zhihong and Admin Unit colleagues

I am enclosing our responses to the questions by the UK, Switzerland and Spain on our ERUS Cook-stoves project for Honduras.

Regards

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Responses to Comments and Questions from the SREP Sub-Committee Members on the Honduras Sustainable Rural Energization (ERUS) – Part I & III: Promoting Sustainable Business Models for Clean Cookstoves Dissemination Proposal

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We would like to thank the governments of Switzerland, United Kingdom and Spain for their written comments and questions. Please find below our responses.

United Kingdom's questions

Q: We would like to register however our concerns regarding the partial submission of this project, with just 2 of 3 parts of one of two components presented for approval. In the circumstances the UK is prepared to approve this proposal so as not to hold up progress, however our strong preference for future submissions is a comprehensive project design integrating all respective components. This would give more confidence in terms of the coherence of the project, its management and risk approach. For example if the second component of the proposed clean cooking project on public policy is substantially delayed, this could put the other components in jeopardy. Presenting complementary projects simultaneously would also be beneficial for the attribution of results. When part 2 of the cooking sub-component is submitted it should be made clear that no direct results can be attributed to this component in order to prevent double counting.

A: We agree with the comment. We are working with the government of Honduras to finalize the design of this component in order to maximize its impact. We will make clear in project documentation that the results of this Part 2 will be shared with Parts 1 and 3 to avoid double counting.