

July 17, 2012

Decision by Mail: Approval of Funding for Preparation of the Independent Evaluation of the CIFs

Dear CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committee Members,

You will recall that at the joint meeting of the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees in May 2012, the joint meeting welcomed the confirmation of the willingness of the evaluation departments of the CIF partner MDBs to undertake an independent evaluation of the operations of the CTF and SCF and took note, among other things, of the establishment of an Evaluation Oversight Committee (EOC) to oversee and manage the evaluation. The joint meeting requested the EOC to take into account comments made during the meeting and subsequent written comments in the preparation of an approach paper and proposed associated budget for the independent evaluation. The joint meeting agreed to review and approve the proposed approach paper and budget through a decision by mail.

The EOC has now approached the CIF Administrative Unit with a request that the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees be invited to approved funding to finance the process for preparing the proposed approach paper and budget for the independent evaluation and other work that will be undertaken by the EOC until the awarding of a contract to a consulting firm for the preparation of the evaluation. More specifically, the EOC is requesting a budgetary allocation of USD 55,000. Attached to this email is a communication from the EOC with a breakdown of these costs. If approved, these funds will be transferred to the EOC by the Trustee.

The Trust Fund Committee is requested, therefore, to review and approve the following proposed decision:

Further to its decision of May 2012 on the preparation of an independent evaluation of the CIF, the CTF and SCF Trust Fund Committees approve an allocation of USD 55,000 to finance the anticipated preparation costs to be incurred by the Evaluation Oversight Committee until a contract is awarded to a consulting firm to prepare the independent review of the operations of the Climate Investment Funds.

If we do not receive an objection to this proposed decision by close of business on July 31, 2012, the decision will be approved.

Sincerely,

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