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SUBJECT : Multinational Project – Africa Climate Technology and Finance Center and Network (ACTFCN) – Request for a third no cost extension from 1st July 2019 to 30th June 2020

Introduction:

The ACTFCN project started operations in 2014 and has since achieved some impressive results with a high degree of resource-efficiency. The project requested two no-cost extensions, for one year each respectively in 2017 and 2018, which were granted by the Global Environment Facility (GEF). The project has launched several new activities, some of which are not expected to be completed before the end date of June 2019. Furthermore, the project has non-committed funds that would require a longer implementation period to be executed in an effective manner. A project extension of twelve (12) months is therefore required to ensure the implementation of the remaining funds.

A. Project Information:

Concept Note Approval Date:	July, 2013
Project Approval Date:	May, 2014
Effectiveness Date:	July 2014
Project Amount:	14,340,000 US Dollars
Source:	Global Environment Facility (GEF)
Initial Last Disbursement Date:	September, 2017
Initial Completion Date:	June, 2017
Closing Date after first extension:	June 2018
Closing Date after second extension:	June 2019
Executing Agency:	The African Development Bank
New Closing Date Requested:	June, 2020

Table 1: summary of funds transferred by the GEF Trustee to the AfDB (in USD)

	Mitigation	Adaptation	Total
Total amount to be transferred	9 090 000,00	5 250 000,00	14 340 000,00
1st tranche (July 2014)	3 030 000,00	1 750 000,00	4 780 000,00
2nd tranche (November 2015)	3 500 000,00	-	3 500 000,00
3rd tranche (January 2017)	2 500 000,00	-	2 500 000,00
Total amount transferred so far (December 2018)	9 030 000,00	1 750 000,00	10 780 000,00
Total amount still to be transferred	60 000,00	3 500 000,00	3 560 000,00

Total commitment vs Total Project Funds:

- The total amount committed under the project is USD 9,949,682.73 as of 4 February 2019. Compared to the project amount of USD 14,340,000.00, this corresponds to a total budget commitment rate of 69.38 %.
- Under component 2, Framework contracts have been signed with consulting firms for an amount of USD 1,953,000 for mitigation activities and USD 1,090,000 for adaptation activities (total amount of USD 3,043,000). 73,47% of the mitigation framework contracts has been used, 66,24% of the adaptation framework contract budget has been used.

Table 2: Break-down of disbursements and commitments (in USD)

	Budget	Commitments	Disbursements	Commitments rate	Disbursement rate
Mitigation	9,090,000.00	8,790,389.21	6,633,951.16	96,70%	72,98%
Adaptation	5,250,000.00	1,159,293.52	981,475.11	22,08%	18,69%
TOTAL	14,340,000.00	9,949,682.73	7,615,426.27	69,38%	53,11%

D. Recommendation

On the basis of the foregoing, it is recommended to request a third one year no-cost extension of the ACTFCN project from the GEF from 1st July 2019 to 30 June 2020. This is to ensure the continuity of support to the project's beneficiaries through technical assistance (TA) for reforming enabling environments and/or in planning, financing and implementing mitigation and adaptation investments.