Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel

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STAP Scientific and Technical screening of the Project Identification Form (PIF)

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I. **PIF Information** (Copied from the PIF)

FULL SIZE PROJECT	GEF TRUST FUND
GEF PROJECT ID:	9227
PROJECT DURATION:	4
Countries:	Georgia
PROJECT TITLE:	PCB-Free Electricity Distribution in Georgia
GEF AGENCIES:	UNIDO
OTHER EXECUTING PARTNERS:	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection
GEF FOCAL AREA:	Chemicals and Waste

II. STAP Advisory Response (see table below for explanation)

Based on this PIF screening, STAP's advisory response to the GEF Secretariat and GEF Agency(ies): **Concur**

III. Further guidance from STAP

This is a cleanly written and thought out document, with a clear description of the problem and logical proposal of solutions. The STAP would only make one small comment as relates to potential stakeholders omitted for training. It was not mentioned (and indeed may not be relevant), but there may be small and medium-sized repair establishments who contribute to cross contamination of equipment that they repair. This is usually the case in PCB projects. Therefore, the STAP would suggest confirming whether or not this is a source of cross contamination in Georgia, and amending the recipients of training to suit.

	AP advisory ponse	Brief explanation of advisory response and action proposed	
1.	Concur	In cases where STAP is satisfied with the scientific and technical quality of the proposal, a simple "Concur" response will be provided; the STAP may flag specific issues that should be pursued rigorously as the proposal is developed into a full project document. At any time during the development of the project, the proponent is invited to approach STAP to consult on the design prior to submission for CEO endorsement.	
2.	Minor issues to be considered during project design	 STAP has identified specific scientific /technical suggestions or opportunities that should be discussed with the project proponent as early as possible during development of the project brief. The proponent may wish to: (i) Open a dialogue with STAP regarding the technical and/or scientific issues raised. (ii) Set a review point at an early stage during project development, and possibly agreeing to terms of reference for an independent expert to be appointed to conduct this review. 	
		The proponent should provide a report of the action agreed and taken, at the time of submission of the	

	full project brief for CEO endorsement.
3. Major is to be consider during project design	scientific/technical methodological issues, barriers, or omissions in the project concept. If STAP