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TO: Ms. Cihan Sultanoglu

UNDP Resident Representative in Belarus

Dear Ms. Sultanoglu,

RE: UNDP/GEF Full-Size Project "Removing Barriers to Energy Efficiency Improvements in the State Sector in Belarus"

Committee on Energy Efficiency under the Council of Ministers of Belarus, jointly with UNDP and the UNECE, has completed the preparation of the UNDP/GEF project proposal "Removing Barriers to Energy Efficiency Improvements in the state sector in Belarus".

The main task of the above full size project is to undertake activities necessary for establishing an energy consulting center, implementation of the energy efficiency investment program, introduction of institutional and staff incentives for energy efficiency improvements in the state sector and implementation of the project replication plan.

The expected additional cumulative GHG reductions over 15 years due to project implementation are estimated at over 1 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent. Thus, the proposed project will assist Belarus in fulfilling its international environmental commitments under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Therefore, on behalf of the Government of Belarus and, in my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point, I hereby endorse the above mentioned Full Size Project proposal, to be presented through the UNDP to the Global Environment Facility.

We look forward to your kind consideration in this matter.

Sincerely.

Vasily Podolyako

GEF Operational Focal Point First Deputy Minister of Natural

Resources and Environmental Protection of Belarus