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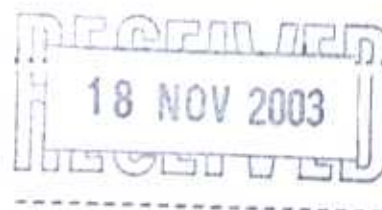
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Subject: Letter of endorsement for GEF Supported Project

I am writing this letter in my capacity as a member of the board and secretary and the manager of the Ethiopian rural electrification secretariat (Director of the Ethiopian rural Energy Development and Promotion Center), which is responsible for off-grid electricity development in the country.

As you might know, the issues with GEF supported renewable energy development fund utilization mechanism/management are already resolved and a revised project brief has been prepared. We believe that this project, by developing renewable energy resources, will provide both rural and national benefits.

The Ethiopian Rural Energy Development and Promotion Center, Secretariat of the Ethiopian Rural Electrification Fund has, therefore, endorsed this development project.



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