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September 19, 2016

Dear LDCF/SCCF Council Member,

I am writing to notify you that we have today posted on the GEF's website at www.TheGEF.org, a Project Identification Form (PIF) for a full-sized project proposal from UNEP entitled ***Lesotho: Strengthening Climate Services in Lesotho for Climate Resilient Development and Adaptation to Climate Change (GEF ID : 6926)***, for funding under the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF). This PIF has been posted for Council approval by mail. Council Members are invited to review the PIF and to submit their comments (in Word file) to the GEF Secretariat's program coordination registry at gcoordination@TheGEF.org by October 17, 2016.

Following the streamlined procedures for processing LDCF proposals, Council members are invited to approve the following decision:

*The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled **Lesotho: Strengthening Climate Services in Lesotho for Climate Resilient Development and Adaptation to Climate Change (GEF ID : 6926)** (LDCF Project Grant \$5,000,000) (Agency Fee \$475,000), posted on September 19, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat by October 17, 2016.*

The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures, and (ii) maybe endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council's and the STAP reviewer's comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

In accordance with this decision, if the Secretariat has not heard from you in writing by October 17, 2016 we will assume that you approve the PIF.

Sincerely,

for Naoko Ishii

Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson

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