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**Subject: ENDORSEMENT OF "ENERGIZING THE PACIFIC COUNTRIES PROGRAM"**

In my capacity as GEF Political and Operational Focal Point for Solomon Islands, I confirm that **Energizing the Pacific Countries Program** (a) is in accordance with the Government's national priorities, specified in its Policy Translation and Implementation Framework, and the commitments made by Solomon Islands under the relevant global environmental conventions and (b) has been discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points, in accordance with GEF policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of **Energizing the Pacific Countries Program** with the support of the World Bank. If approved, the program will be prepared and implemented by Ministry of Mines and Energy. Further, I request the World Bank to provide a copy of the project document for our information before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this program is US\$1.00 million, inclusive of Project Preparation Grant (PPG), if any, and a 10% Agency fee to the World Bank for project cycle management services associated with the program.

I consent to the utilization of the following indicative allocations available to Solomon Islands in GEF-4 under the GEF Resource Allocation Framework to cover the GEF project preparation and implementation, as well as the associated Agency fees for this program.

**Climate Change:** US\$1.00 million **Biodiversity:** US\$0.00

Sincerely Yours,

  
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