



1 April 2003

Dear Mr. El-Ashry,

Subject: **Climate Change / STRM “Russia: Removing Barriers to Coal Mine Methane Recovery and Utilization” – PIMS # 500**

I am pleased to attach herewith the above-mentioned project document. The brief was approved at the GEF Executive Council Meeting in October 2002.

As per paragraph 29 and 30 of the GEF Project Cycle, we are submitting this project document for circulation to the members of the GEF Executive Council and, subsequently, for your final endorsement.

Thank you in advance for expediting the review and approval of this project.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yannick', is written over a horizontal line.

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