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Dear Mr. Omar,

<u>Request for Financing from the Global Environment Facility for a Proposed</u> <u>Energizing Rural Transformation Project</u>

The Government of Swaziland is currently preparing an Energizing Rural Transformation Project which is proposed for World Bank support. This project will focus on expanding rural and peri-urban access to electricity and information communication technology (ICT), including areas remote from the national power grid. In addition, the project will include investments for grid-connected renewable energy and energy conservation.

The Government fully endorses this project, which it views as a high priority to address its poverty and environmental goals. This is to confirm that we intend to seek financing from the GEF in support of the renewable energy and energy efficiency investments envisioned under the project.

Sincerely,

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