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September 12, 2008

Mr. Marco Carlo Nicola
Representative
Inter-American Development Bank
47 High Street
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Dear Mr. Marco,

Creation of Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CReW)

I refer to your letter dated August 27, 2008, requesting my assistance in reviewing the Draft Project Identification Form (PIF) on the creation of a CReW.

Please be advised that I have no objection to the Draft PIF. I am of the view that such a Fund is critical for achieving regional and national objectives with regard to wastewater management and our commitments under the Cartagena Convention and its associated LBS Protocol.

At this stage, I wish to express support of the draft proposal and look forward to endorsing the final version of the PIF.

All for your information and guidance.

Yours Sincerely,

Doorga Persaud
Executive Director



**GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA
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03rd September, 2008

Maryam Niamir-Fuller
Director,
UNEP Division of GEF Coordination (DGEF)
P.O. Box 30552
Nairobi 00100, Kenya

Dear Ms. Niamir-Fuller,

Subject: Endorsement for Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CRew)

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Saint Lucia, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the government's national priorities and the commitments made by Saint Lucia 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's policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of UNEP.

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this project is US\$22, 418, 000. 00 inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fee (10%) to UNEP for project cycle management services associated with this project.

Yours sincerely,

**George James
GEF Focal Point**

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A: Ricardo Quiroga
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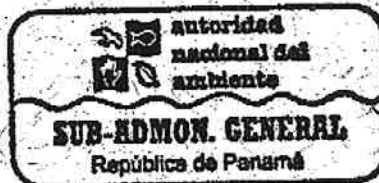
Tema: Apoyo al Proyecto Piloto del Fondo Regional de Saneamiento para el Caribe Ampliado


En mi capacidad de Punto Focal del GEF para Panamá, confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto arriba mencionada: (a) está de acuerdo con las prioridades del Gobierno local y los compromisos hechos por Panamá, bajo las convenciones de medio ambiente globales pertinentes; y (b) ha sido discutido con los actores interesados pertinentes, incluyendo los puntos focales de la convención del medio ambiente global, en acuerdo con las políticas del GEF sobre la participación pública.

Por consiguiente, concuerdo con apoyar la preparación de la propuesta de proyecto mencionada con la asistencia del Banco Inter-Americano de Desarrollo (BID) y el Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA). En caso de ser aprobada, la propuesta será preparada e implementada por PNUMA/BID. Además, solicito al BID y al PNUMA proporcionar una copia del documento del proyecto para información de esta oficina antes de ser sometida a la Secretaría del GEF para la ratificación del CEO.

Es de nuestro conocimiento que el financiamiento total solicitado al GEF para este proyecto es de US\$22.418.000, incluyendo los recursos para la preparación del proyecto (PPG); si aplica, y los honorarios de las Agencias (10%) BID y PNUMA para los servicios del manejo del ciclo del proyecto relacionados con esta operación.

Atentamente,




Eduardo Reyes
Sub-Administrador
Autoridad Nacional del Ambiente

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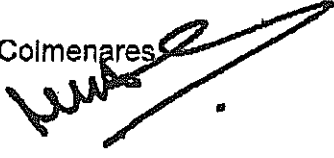


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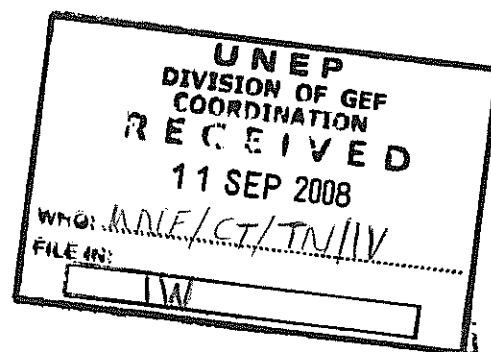
To:	Ms. Maryam Niamir-Fuller Director UNEP/Division of GEF Coordination P.O. Box 30552 Nairobi 00100, Kenya	Date: 8 th September 2008
Fax:	(25420) 762-4041	Reference: NAC/CJC/pjc
From:	Nelson Andrade Colmenares Coordinator UNEP-CAR/RCU 	 
Cc:		

Subject: Endorsement for Testing a Prototype Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CRew)

Dear Ms. Niamir-Fuller,

Please find correspondence attached for your immediate attention.

Best regards.





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8th September, 2008

Dear Ms. Niamir-Fuller:

Subject: Endorsement for Testing a Prototype Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CrcW).

In my capacity as Executive Secretary of the Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment of the Wider Caribbean (Cartagena Convention) and Coordinator of UNEP's Caribbean Environment Programme, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the regional priorities of the Contracting Parties to the Cartagena Convention and the commitments made by Contracting Parties to their obligations under that legal instrument and other relevant global environmental conventions, and (b) has been discussed with our national focal points, and other relevant stakeholders within the framework of our intergovernmental meetings, in accordance with GEF's policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the United Nations Environment Programme. If approved, UNEP-CAR/RCU will continue to provide support to the preparation and implementation of the full proposal as required.

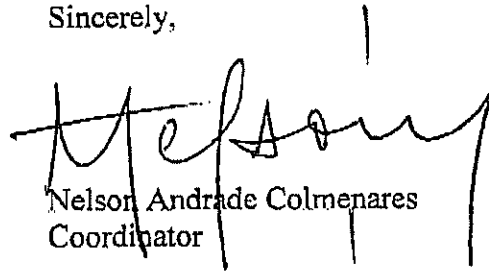
I am pleased to further underline the mandate provided to the Secretariat of the Convention by the countries of the Wider Caribbean Region in a Decision of the 12th Intergovernmental Meeting that requested the Secretariat: *"to continue efforts to develop innovative financial mechanisms such as the Caribbean Revolving Fund for Wastewater Management to assist countries in meeting the obligations of the Cartagena Convention and in particular the Land- Based Sources of Marine Pollution Protocol"*.

Ms. Maryam Niamir-Fuller
Director
UNEP/Division of GEF Coordination
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Further to this mandate, continued support and endorsement has been expressed during the plenary sessions of the 13th Intergovernmental Meeting now taking place in Antigua and Barbuda. We expect that a further Decision of this Meeting will endorse the need to continue to develop innovative financial mechanisms such as the Caribbean Revolving Fund for Wastewater Management to assist countries in meeting their obligations *vis a vis* the Cartagena Convention and in particular, the Land-Based Sources of Marine Pollution Protocol.

It is with regard that we fully support the currently developed PIF to be financed by the GEF and jointly implemented by UNEP and IADB.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nelson Andrade Colmenares', written in a cursive style.

Nelson Andrade Colmenares
Coordinator



GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Diann Black-Layne
Ambassador and GEF NOFP
GEF Unit
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10TH September 2008

Mr. Ricardo Quinoga
GEF Coordinator
IDB
Washington, DC

Subject: Endorsement for testing a prototype for Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CReW)

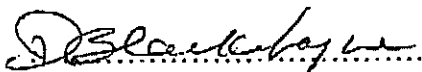
I am please to inform you that in my capacity as the GEF National Operation Focal Point that the above project proposal has the endorsement of Antigua and Barbuda. The concept of the proposal is in accordance with the government's national priorities as well as its international commitment as a Party to the Caribbean Environment Program, and the Convention on Biological Diversity. The PIF has been introduced and discussed with the relevant stakeholders, in accordance with GEF's policy on public involvement and I am pleased to inform you that the project has their endorsement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of Inter- American Development Bank and the United Nations Environment Program. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by GEF Unit in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs along with the Antigua Public Utilities Authority (APUA).

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this project is US\$22,418,000, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG) and Agency fee (10%) to UNEP and IADB for project cycle management services associated with this project.

This project will be very important in Antigua and Barbuda not only for the protection of the Environment but for the economic development of the Country. We are therefore looking forward to working closely with the Implementing agencies in the development of the full project proposal and the eventual implementation of the project.

Sincerest Regards



Diann Black-Layne
Ambassador and GEF NOFP

Cc: Ambassador Dr. John Ashe, permanent Representative to the United Nations and the GEF Political Focal Point;
Ambassador Colin Murdoch, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
Mr. Lionel Michael, Chief Health Inspector;
Mr. Ivan Rodriquez, Manager, Water Division, APUA;



REPUBLICA DE HONDURAS

Fecha: 12 de Septiembre, 2008

Señor
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Su Oficina

Tema: Apoyo al Proyecto Piloto del Fondo Regional de Saneamiento para el Caribe Ampliado

En mi capacidad de Punto Focal del GEF para Honduras, confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto arriba mencionada: (a) está de acuerdo con las prioridades del Gobierno local y los compromisos hechos por Honduras bajo las convenciones de medio ambiente globales pertinentes; y (b) ha sido discutido con los actores interesados pertinentes, incluyendo los puntos focales de la convención del medio ambiente global, en acuerdo con las políticas del GEF sobre la participación pública.

Por consiguiente, concuerdo con apoyar la preparación de la propuesta de proyecto mencionada con la asistencia del Banco Inter-Americano de Desarrollo (BID) y el Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA). En caso de ser aprobada, la propuesta será preparada e implementada por Secretaría de Recursos Naturales y Ambiente. Además, solicito al BID y al PNUMA proporcionar una copia del documento del proyecto para información de esta oficina antes de ser sometida a la Secretaría del GEF para la ratificación del CEO.

Es de nuestro conocimiento que el financiamiento total solicitado al GEF para este proyecto es de US\$ 22.418.000, incluyendo los recursos para la preparación del proyecto (PPG), si aplica, y los honorarios de las Agencias (10%) BID y PNUMA para los servicios del manejo del ciclo del proyecto relacionados con esta operación.


Tomás Vaquero Morris
Secretario de Estado
En los Despachos de Recursos Naturales y Ambiente



C: Sr. Steven Stone, Representante del BID en Honduras
Sra. Alejandra Collier, Enlace Ministerial SERNA
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Ministro

Guatemala 11 de agosto del 2008
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Doctor
Juan de Dios Mattos
Especialista en Recursos Naturales
Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo
(BID)
Presente.

Estimado Dr. Mattos:

Con un cordial saludo me dirijo a usted, como punto focal del GEF, quiero manifestar el interés del Gobierno de Guatemala en participar en el fondo Caribbean Regional Fund for Wasterwater Management (CREW) que está apoyando el Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo.

El Ministerio de Ambiente y Recursos Naturales y otras instancias involucradas en la gestión ambiental que están continuamente buscando líneas de financiamiento y apoyo para el para el manejo de aguas residuales que traduzcan en mejores condiciones para la población y una reducción en la contaminación ambiental.

Hago propicia la oportunidad para reiterarle las muestras de mi consideración y estima.

Atentamente,


 **Luis Alberto Ferraté Felice**
MINISTRO DE AMBIENTE
Y RECURSOS NATURALES



Cc. Licda. Alma Gladys Cordero, Cooperación Internacional
Ing. Eduardo Cofiño, Director Ejecutivo, PDCRBM
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San José, 01 de septiembre de 2008
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Ricardo Quiroga
Coordinador Ejecutivo del GEF
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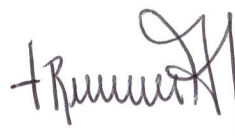
Tema: Apoyo al Proyecto Piloto del Fondo Regional de Saneamiento para el Caribe Ampliado

En mi capacidad de Punto Focal del GEF para Costa Rica confirmo que la propuesta de proyecto arriba mencionada: (a) está de acuerdo con las prioridades del Gobierno local y los compromisos hechos por Costa Rica bajo las convenciones de medio ambiente globales pertinentes; y (b) ha sido discutido con los actores interesados pertinentes, incluyendo los puntos focales de la convención del medio ambiente global, en acuerdo con las políticas del GEF sobre la participación pública.

Por consiguiente, concuerdo con apoyar la preparación de la propuesta de proyecto mencionada con la asistencia del Banco Inter-Americano de Desarrollo (BID) y el Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente (PNUMA). En caso de ser aprobada, la propuesta será preparada e implementada por Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo]. Además, solicito al BID y al PNUMA proporcionar una copia del documento del proyecto para información de esta oficina antes de ser sometida a la Secretaría del GEF para la ratificación del CEO.

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Atentamente,



Rubén Muñoz Robles
Punto Focal Operacional GEF



C.c. Dr. Roberto Dobles Mora, Ministro MINAET.
Ana Luisa Leiva, Asesora Despacho Ministro MINAET



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DATE: 2008-09-10

Ms. Maryam Niamir-Fuller
Director,
UNEP Division of GEF Coordination (DGEF)
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Nairobi 00100,
Kenya

Dear Madam:

**Letter of Provisional Support for the UNEP/IDB/GEF Caribbean
Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CRew) Project**

We are in receipt of a recent email from your office dated 05 September 2008 seeking endorsement of the Project Identification Form (PIF) for the **UNEP/IDB/GEF Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CRew) Project**. As Barbados' GEF Operational Focal Point, at this juncture we can only offer provisional support for the Project as we are awaiting the formal approval of the Cabinet as well as a recommendation from the department that will be responsible for national project coordination during the implementation.

We are aware that the key national Project stakeholders are already working towards satisfying the above pre-condition and that they are cognizant of your timelines. Accordingly, we will provide the appropriate endorsement as soon as we are in a position to do so.

Yours faithfully,


Rickardo Ward
for Permanent Secretary

Copy to: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Director, Environmental Protection Department
Director, Coastal Zone Management Unit
General Manager, Barbados Water Authority (Attn. Dr. John Mwansa)

**MINISTERIE VAN ARBEID,
TECHNOLOGISCHE ONTWIKKELING EN MILIEU
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TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT
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Your reference: *NAC/CJC/ppc*

Your letter dated: 4th September 2008

Our reference *ATH/MS.015/08*

Enclosure(s):

Subject: Endorsement of the project
Caribbean Regional Fund for
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Paramaribo: 10th September 2008

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Subject: Endorsement for the Caribbean Regional Fund for Wastewater Management (CRéW)

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for **Suriname**, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with the government's national priorities and the commitments made by Suriname 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's policy on public involvement.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of UNEP & IDB. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by the Ministry of Labour, Technological Development and Environment in Suriname. Further, I request UNEP and IDB to provide a copy of the project document to participating countries before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

I understand that the total GEF financing being requested for this project is \$22,418,000 inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and total Agency fee of \$2,038,000 (10%) to UNEP and IDB for project cycle management services associated with this project.

Sincerely,



Ms. H. Aroma, MSc.
GEF Operational Focal Point
Ministry of Labour, Technological Development and Environment

Copy to: LBS focal point

GEF Operational Focal Point Endorsement Template for Global/Regional/Joint-country Projects, August 2007