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To : **Mr. Yasunobu Matoba**  
Chief Executive Officer  
MRCS  
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

From : **Dr. Mok Mareth**  
Minister  
Ministry of Environment

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Dear Mr. Matoba,

*Re: GEF Water Utilization Project*

With the reference to your letter No-003 of January 4, 1999. Concerning the above mentioned subject, as the Cambodian GEF focal point, I hereby state endorsement of the GEF Water Utilization Project. We found that the three main components activities of the WUP project would positively assist our country on the sustainable use of the Mekong River as well as improving environmentally sound management in Cambodia.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance and looking forward to starting project implementation in the near future. ✓

Yours sincerely,

**Dr. Mok Mareth**  
Minister of Environment  
Vice-Chairman of CNMC

CC: Cambodia National Mekong Committee

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RE:	GEF Water Utilization Project	
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Dear Mr. Quang,

With the reference to your letter of January 4, 1999, which relates to the above mentioned subject, as the Lao PDR GEF Focal Point, I hereby state endorsement of the GEF Water Utilization Project. We find that the three main components activities would positively assist our country on the sustainable use of the Mekong River.

Should you need any further query do not hesitate to contact us.

May I express my sincere appreciation for your kind assistance.

I look forward to hearing from you very soon.

Sincerely,

Monemany Nhoibouakong

cc: Mr. Boriboun Sanasisane  
Acting Director  
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From: Pham Khoi Nguyen  
President of GEF-Vietnam  
To: Tina Kimes  
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GEF/VB  
Fax: 202 522 3256

*Subject: Water Utilization of Mecong river Project*

Dear Mr. Tina Kimes,

I am pleased to inform the endorsement of GEF- Vietnam for the above mentioned project concept for GEF consideration of financial support.

Vietnam is one of the four member states of the Mekong river Commission (Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam). Vietnam firmly believes that the project will promote reasonable and equitable water utilization by the countries of the Basin, facilitate regional cooperation on international rivers is one of the four GEF supported focal areas-international water. The project would created incremental global benefit to the member states and to one of the region's largest ecosystems.

Vietnam supports the approach and proposed activities of the project concept and look forward to be involved in and assisted in the future development of this important programme.

Yours sincerely,



Pham Khoi Nguyen

CC: Mecong River Commission



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Dear Mr. Matoba,

Subject : Water Utilization Project (WUP)

Referring to your fax dated January 4, 1999 and February 23, 1999, on the captioned matter, we are delighted to inform you that OEPP, as Thai GEF focal point, has already submitted the above project proposal to the Sub-committee on Agenda 21 : Programme of Action for Sustainable Development, on February 10, 1999. The Sub-committee has approved and supported the project proposal to proceed for funding under the GEF. On this occasion, we have also informed Department of Energy Development and Promotion (DEDP) the outcome of our consideration.

Please be assured of our full cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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