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To:

Resident Representative

UNDP, Vientiane, Lao PDR.

Subject: GEF Focal Point Endorsement Letter for the proposal entitled "National Capacity Needs Self Assessment for Global Environmental Management".

Dear Sir,

In my capacity as Global Environment Facility (GEF) operational focal point for Lao PDR, I hereby endorse the enclosed proposal to access GEF funding to conduct a National Capacity Needs Self Assessment for Global Environmental Management through the United Nations Development Program.

Lao PDR considers the proposal to be an important and valuable exercise in our ongoing efforts to protect the global environment while working to achieve our national sustainable development goals.

Based on the guidelines for the preparation of the proposal the national focal point for relevant environmental convention and government agencies both national and local level have been fully consulted and their views taken into account in the formulation of this proposal.

Thank you very much for your kind cooperation.

Yours Sincerely,

Xayaveth Vixay

GEF Focal Point for Lao PDR