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(Message also included in attached pdf file)

Dear Members of the Participants Committee,

At the recent FCPF Participants Committee (PC) meeting, the PC expressed interest in being more involved in the following two processes: (i) the selection of members of the Technical Advisory Panels (TAP) that review Readiness Preparation Proposals (R-PPs); and (ii) the R-PP reviews themselves.

Given these discussions, and our current estimate that five to ten R-PPs (some draft, some final) are likely to be submitted by the January 11, 2010 deadline for presentation at the March 2010 PC5 meeting in Gabon, the Facility Management Team (FMT) proposes the following processes and timeline of actions. The FMT proposes that these processes be used on an interim basis until the March 2010 PC5 meeting where it is expected that the PC would formally adopt these or other processes for use thereafter.

1. TAP selection

The PC decided to establish a working group to formulate proposals to improve the TAP process, which will be discussed and/or approved at the latest at the PC5 meeting. In the interim, the FMT proposes the following process. This process is expected to be more transparent, would encourage countries being reviewed to propose some of the reviewers, would build on existing high-performing TAP experts already aware of the R-PP process, and would ensure consistent, quality review of R-PPs.

- 1.1 The working Roster of Experts for the TAP is posted on the FCPF web site at http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/sites/forestcarbonpartnership.org/files/Documents/XLS/Draft_Roster_of_Experts_10_15_09.xls or <http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org/fcp/node/253> (select document PC 4 - 2b). We ask that PC members, Observers, and others send us any nominations of experts to be considered for the Roster by November 30, 2009, including: (i) name and affiliation, (ii) email address and other contact information, and (iii) a brief statement of why this nominee would contribute substantially to the TAP.
- 1.2 In light of the TAP process having been heavy to manage (requiring six to eight TAP members for each R-PP review) and the expected increase in R-PP submissions for the coming meetings, the FMT proposes to nominate teams of about five to seven TAP members to jointly review a set of three to five R-PPs (with the number of teams created

dependent on the number of R-PPs submitted). Based on experience to date, Table 3 in attachment contains a pool of existing TAP members who the FMT feels understand the FCPF R-PP process well, from which teams would be nominated. The pool may be amended based on nominations received as above. In addition, two in-country experts would be nominated to review a given country's R-PP.

1.3 The FMT proposes the following schedule of actions (see Table 1):

Table 1: Proposed Schedule for TAP Selection

Action Due and By Whom	Date Action Due
PC members and Observers nominate TAP experts for the Roster of Experts.	November 30
Each REDD Country Participant submitting an R-PP for the March 2010 PC5 meeting nominates 3-5 in-country experts to serve as TAP reviewers of the respective country's R-PP (the FMT will contact these countries separately).	
The FMT proposes to the PC a list of TAP members who will review each R-PP for the March 2010 PC meeting, including 5-7 experts per TAP team, and 2 in-country experts per R-PP.	December 7
PC members or others offer any comments on the FMT's list of TAP experts nominated to review country R-PPs.	December 18
The FMT hires TAP members as needed (5-7 experts per team plus 2 in-country experts for each R-PP), to begin the R-PP review process by mid-January.	December 18 – mid-January

2. R-PP reviews for the PC5 March 2010 meeting

The PC decided to establish working groups to conduct preliminary assessments of sub-sets of R-PPs ahead of the upcoming PC meetings, in order to provide preliminary PC feedback to the countries and inputs to the PC meetings.

2.1 The FMT proposes that a group of four PC representatives (two REDD Country Participants and two Donor Participants) conduct a preliminary assessment of a set of two to four R-PPs on behalf of the PC. Additional groups would be created if more R-PPs are received. PC representatives would: (i) attend a meeting (in person or virtually) of PC representatives and TAP members, to hear the TAP's findings on the respective R-PPs, discuss the R-PPs using the TAP's findings as inputs, and develop a preliminary PC assessment (this meeting is tentatively planned for the week of March 1, 2010 or March 8, 2010 at the World Bank, DC in Washington, or as agreed); and (ii) make a group presentation to the March 2009 PC5 meeting on their preliminary assessment of each R-PP, to facilitate a final PC recommendation on each R-PP.

2.2 The FMT requests any interested PC members to nominate a country representative for this process, via email to fcpfsecretariat@worldbank.org by December 18, 2009.

For your reference, tentative dates for this process and for PC meetings are listed in Table 3 below.

Table 2: Proposed Schedule for R-PP Reviews

Draft R-PP received by FMT	Revised R-PP posted on FCPF website (after TAP review is sent to Country)	PC representative meeting to discuss R-PPs	PC meeting (tentative dates)
<i>PC meeting minus 10 weeks</i>	<i>PC meeting minus 4 weeks</i>	<i>PC meeting minus 2-3 weeks</i>	<i>PC meeting</i>
January 11, 2010	February 22, 2010	Week of March 1 or March 8	Week of March 22 PC5, Gabon
April 12, 2010	May 24, 2010	Week of June 7 or June 14	Week of June 28 PC6, Guyana

In conclusion, we look forward to:

by **November 30, 2009**: your nominations of potential TAP experts for the Roster of Experts;

by **December 18, 2009** (i) your nominations of PC representatives to join working groups and review R-PPs; (ii) any comments on the proposed interim processes for use at the PC5 meeting, as laid out above (the selection of TAP members and the R-PP reviews); (iii) expressions of interest to participate in the working group to revise the TAP and R-PP review processes for use beyond the PC5 meeting.

Please contact us at fcfsecretariat@worldbank.org.

Best regards,

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Table 3: Proposed TAP Pool for R-PP Review

TAP Expert Nominees & Country Currently Reside in and/or From (* = lead reviewer on a past R-PP)	General Area of Expertise	FCPF R-PIN Experience	FCPF R-PP Experience
<i>Developing Country Experts</i>			
Mark Bynoe (Guyana, Belize)	Development, natural resource management		X
Johnson Cerda (Ecuador)	Forest dwellers and indigenous peoples; conservation	X	X
Gustavo Fonseca* (Brazil, US)	Biodiversity; development; natural resource management	X	X
Harrison Kojwang (Zimbabwe, Kenya)	Biodiversity; development; natural resource management	X	X
Daniel Murdiyarto (Indonesia)	Biodiversity; development; natural resource management	X	X
Marcelo Rocha (Brazil)	Forest economics; REDD policy; development	X	X
Kanyinke Sena (Kenya)	Forest dwellers and indigenous peoples	X	
<i>Developed Country Experts</i>			
Juergen Blaser* (Switzerland)	Forest management and conservation; REDD; policy	X	X
Sandra Brown (US, UK)	Measurement and monitoring; subnational methods	X	X
Steven Cobb* (UK)	Conservation; development; Africa	X	X
Martin Herold (Germany)	Measurement and monitoring		X
Catherine Potvin (Canada)	Local involvement in forest management; measurement and monitoring (Panama)	X	
Jayant Sathaye* (US, India)	IPCC process, methods; global forestry economics	X	X
Margaret Skutsch (Netherlands, UK)	Local involvement in forest management; REDD	X	
Michael Wells (Norway, UK)	Conservation; assessment of development programs globally		X

