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Dear Khun Faikham,

***RE: Thailand's Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP)***

Thank you for your letter to the World Bank and the Facility Management Team (FMT) of the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) dated January 31, 2014. Simon Whitehouse, Ulrich Zachau, Ellysar Baroudy and I have discussed the issues you raise. As you may already know, the FMT will shortly be reviewing Thailand's draft Readiness Preparation Proposal (R-PP), along with the World Bank's regional team. The review will consider the consistency of the draft R-PP with Bank and FCPF policies and standards, including the Resolution of the FCPF Participants' Committee (Resolution PC/14/2013/6). Your letter is therefore timely and we appreciate your observations, which will be a helpful input to the review.

We would like to take the opportunity to emphasize that the proposed financing from the FCPF at this stage will be exclusively for "Readiness Preparation". In other words, it would fund only preparatory work to support REDD+ Strategy Development and the safeguards framework; the funds would not finance implementation or actual REDD+ activities. Kindly note, at the same time, that preparation could include reinforcing institutional capacity, identifying transparent benefit-sharing mechanisms, clarifying rights to the extent possible to manage carbon transactions in a transparent manner, operationalizing effective grievance redress mechanisms, or identifying action plans to address land use, land tenure, livelihoods, natural resource rights, or governance issues related to potential future REDD+ programs.

More information regarding the FCPF and readiness process can be found on the FCPF website <[www.forestcarbonpartnership.org](http://www.forestcarbonpartnership.org)>. I also refer you to The World Bank Task Team Leader and Senior Forestry Specialist, Robert R. Davis <[rdavis1@worldbank.org](mailto:rdavis1@worldbank.org)>, and the Sr. Social Development Specialist, Haddy Jatou Sey <[hsey@worldbank.org](mailto:hsey@worldbank.org)>, who are based in Laos and Thailand, respectively, and available to respond to your questions. You may also want to communicate with the FMT directly at <[fcpfsecretariat@worldbank.org](mailto:fcpfsecretariat@worldbank.org)>.

We are pleased that the Thai Working Group for Climate Justice, together with other civil society organizations and Indigenous Peoples participated in the FCPF dialogues with the Thai government. We welcome your continued involvement and

please rest assured that your concerns will be taken seriously before the proposal is considered for funding. We will be in touch as we move forward with the review of Thailand's R-PP.

Yours sincerely,



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