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Re: Second Grant Agreement for Republic of Uganda Readiness Preparation Proposal  
Readiness Fund of the FCPF Grant No. TF014956  
Additional Instructions: Disbursement  

I refer to the Second Grant Agreement ("Agreement") between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("World Bank"), acting as Trustee of the Readiness Fund of the Forest Carbon Partnership Facility ("FCPF"), and Republic of Uganda ("Recipient") for the above-referenced project, dated JUNE 17, 2013. The Agreement provides that the World Bank may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of Grant No. TF014956 ("Grant"). This letter ("Disbursement Letter"), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.  

The attached World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects, dated May 1, 2006, ("Disbursement Guidelines") (Attachment 1), are an integral part of the Disbursement Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Grant is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.  

I. Disbursement Arrangements  

(i) Disbursement Methods (section 2). The following Disbursement Methods may be used under the Grant:  

- Reimbursement  
- Direct Payment  
- Special Commitment  

(ii) Disbursement Deadline Date (subsection 3.7). The Disbursement Deadline Date is 4 months after the Closing Date specified in the Grant Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the World Bank.
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(iii) **Disbursement Conditions (subsection 3.8).** Please refer to the Disbursement Condition(s) in the Grant Agreement.

II. **Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds**

(i) **Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1).** A letter in the Form attached (Attachment 2) should be furnished to the World Bank at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:

   The World Bank  
   Plot 1, Lumumba Avenue  
   Rwenzori House  
   Kampala, Uganda  
   Attention: Country Director

(ii) **Applications (subsections 3.2 - 3.3).** Please provide completed and signed (a) applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, and (b) applications for special commitments, together with a copy of the commercial bank letter of credit, to the address indicated below:

   The World Bank  
   P.O. Box 30577 – 00100  
   Nairobi, Kenya  
   Attention: Loan Department

(iii) **Electronic Delivery (subsection 3.4)** The World Bank may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver to the World Bank Applications (with supporting documents) through the World Bank’s Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the World Bank by electronic means may be effected if: (a) the Recipient has designated in writing, pursuant to the terms of subparagraph (i) of this Section, its officials who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications and to receive secure identification credentials ("SIDC") from the World Bank for the purpose of delivering such Applications by electronic means; and (b) all such officials designated by the Recipient have registered as users of Client Connection. If the World Bank agrees, the World Bank will provide the Recipient with SIDC for the designated officials. Following which, the designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through Client Connection (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). The Recipient may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The World Bank reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Recipient.
(iv) Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC to Process Applications. By designating officials to use SDIC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation ("Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC") provided in Attachment 3; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

(v) Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5). The Minimum Value of Applications is USD 30,000.

(vi) Advances (sections 5 and 6). For the reason set forth in subsection 5.2 of the Disbursement Guidelines, the advancing of grant proceeds into a designated account is not a Disbursement Method currently available under this Grant. Please send Applications only in support of the Disbursement Methods listed in subsection I (i) of this letter.

III. Reporting on Use of Grant Proceeds

(i) Supporting Documentation (section 4). Supporting documentation should be provided with each application for withdrawal as set out below:

- For requests for Reimbursement:
  - Statement of Expenditure in the form attached (Attachment 4);
  - Records evidencing eligible expenditures (e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices) for payments against contracts that are subject to the World Bank’s prior review, in the form attached (Attachment 5); and

- For requests for Direct Payment: records evidencing eligible expenditures, e.g., copies of receipts, supplier invoices

IV. Other Important Information


If you have not already done so, the World Bank recommends that you register as a user of the Client Connection website (https://clientconnection.worldbank.org). From this website you will be able to download Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Grant, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. All Recipient officials authorized to sign and deliver Applications by electronic means are required to register with Client Connection before electronic delivery can be effected. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the World Bank by email at clientconnection@worldbank.org.
If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact a Finance Officer at LOA-TF@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

Philippe Dongier
Country Director for Tanzania, Uganda and Burundi
Africa Region

Attachments
2. Form for Authorized Signatures
4. Form of Statement of Expenditure
5. Form of Payments Against Contracts Subject to the World Bank’s Prior Review

cc with copies: Ministry of Water and Environment
Kampala, Uganda