Mr. Lê Minh Hung
Governor
State Bank of Vietnam
49 Lý Thái Tông Street, Hanoi, Vietnam

Dear Governor Hung:

Re: Vietnam – Hospital Waste Management Support Project
(Credit 4899-VN)
Amendment to Financing Agreement

We refer to the Financing Agreement (the Agreement) dated May 31, 2011 between the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (the Recipient) and the International Development Association (the Association) for the above-referenced project (the Project), as amended thereof. We further refer to the letter from Mr. Hà Hải An, Deputy Director General of the State Bank of Vietnam dated July 6, 2017, requesting, on behalf of the Recipient, a restructuring of the Project, which requires certain amendments to the Agreement.

We are pleased to inform you that the Association concurs with the request and agrees to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Part 1 (b) of Schedule 1 to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:
   
   "(b) strengthening institutional capacity for healthcare waste management, including: (i) development of training modules and training plans; (ii) training of trainers at central government level; and (iii) training of leaders, administrators, and technical staff in central and provincial government health agencies, healthcare facilities, and preventive health centers."

2. Part 1 (c) of Schedule 1 to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

   "(c) strengthening monitoring and surveillance systems for healthcare waste management, including: (i) provision of equipment, facilities, and vehicles; and (ii) upgrade of a web-based software application to provide information on healthcare waste management practices."

3. Paragraph (e) of Section I.C.1 of Schedule 2 to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

   "(e) each Sub-Project proposal shall include a Healthcare Waste Management Plan, satisfactory to the Association, and prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Guidelines. All Healthcare Waste Management Plans included in Sub-Project proposals for Central Hospitals shall be subject to the Association's prior review."
4. Section I.C.3 of Schedule 2 to the Agreement is deleted in its entirety.

5. Section IV.B.2 of Schedule 2 to the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

"2. The Closing Date is August 30, 2019."

Except as specifically amended herein, all other provisions of the Agreement remain in full force and effect.

Please confirm your agreement on behalf of the Recipient with this amendment by countersigning and dating the corresponding form of confirmation set forth below, and returning one fully countersigned original of this letter to us. Upon receipt by the Association of the countersigned copy of this letter, this amendment shall become effective as of the date of the countersignature.

Sincerely Yours,
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

[Signature]
Sebastian Eckardt
Authorized Representative

CONFIRMED:
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

By:  

Name: 
Title: Deputy Governor of the State Bank of Vietnam
Date: August 25, 2017