Financing Agreement

(Additional Financing for Coastal Cities Environmental Sanitation Project)

between

SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
Dated May 31, 2011
FINANCING AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated May 31, 2011 entered into between SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ("Recipient") and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("Association") for the purpose of providing additional financing for the Original Project (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement). The Recipient and the Association hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I — GENERAL CONDITIONS; DEFINITIONS

1.01. The General Conditions (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement) constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions, in the Appendix to this Agreement or in the Original Financing Agreement.

ARTICLE II — FINANCING

2.01. The Association agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a credit in an amount equivalent to forty two million five hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 42,500,000) (variously, “Credit” and “Financing”) to assist in financing the project described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement (“Project”).

2.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing in accordance with Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

2.03. The Maximum Commitment Charge Rate payable by the Recipient on the Unwithdrawn Financing Balance shall be one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) per annum.

2.04. The Service Charge payable by the Recipient on the Withdrawn Credit Balance shall be equal to three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum.

2.05. The Payment Dates are May 15 and November 15 in each year.

2.06. The principal amount of the Credit shall be repaid in accordance with the repayment schedule set forth in Schedule 3 to this Agreement.
2.07. The Payment Currency is Dollar.

ARTICLE III — PROJECT

3.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project. To this end, the Recipient shall carry out the Project through the Project Provinces and Project Cities in accordance with the provisions of Article IV of the General Conditions.

3.02. Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 3.01 of this Agreement, and except as the Recipient and the Association shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Agreement and Schedule 4 of the Original Financing Agreement.

ARTICLE IV — EFFECTIVENESS; TERMINATION

4.01. The Effectiveness Deadline is the date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement.

4.02. For purposes of Section 8.05(b) of the General Conditions, the date on which the obligations of the Recipient under this Agreement (other than those providing for payment obligations) shall terminate is twenty (20) years after the date of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V — REPRESENTATIVE; ADDRESSES

5.01. The Recipient’s Representative is the Governor, or a Deputy Governor, of the State Bank of Vietnam.

5.02. The Recipient’s Address is:

State Bank of Vietnam
49 Lý Thái Tố
Hà Nội
Socialist Republic of Vietnam

Cable: VIETBANK
Telex: 412248
Facsimile: (84-4) 3 82 50 612
Hanoi NHTWVT
5.03. The Association’s Address is:

International Development Association
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Cable:  Telex:  Facsimile:
INDEVAS  248423 (MCI)  (1-202) 477-6391
Washington, D.C.

AGREED at Hanoi, Socialist Republic of Vietnam, as of the day and year first above written.

SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

By: /s/ Nguyen Van Giau

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Victoria Kwakwa

Authorized Representative
SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to assist the Recipient to improve the environmental sanitation in the Project Cities in a sustainable manner, thereby contributing to an enhanced quality of life for their residents.

The Project consists of the Original Project.
SCHEDULE 2

Project Execution

Section I.  Implementation Arrangements

A.  Institutional Arrangements

The implementation arrangements described in Schedule 4 to the Original Financing Agreement constitute an integral part of this Agreement and are incorporated by reference herein.

B.  Anti-Corruption

The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Anti-Corruption Guidelines.

Section II.  Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation

A.  Project Reports

The Recipient shall monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and prepare Project Reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.08 of the General Conditions and on the basis of indicators acceptable to the Association. Each Project Report shall cover the period of one (1) calendar semester, and shall be furnished to the Association not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of the period covered by such report.

B.  Financial Management, Financial Reports and Audits

1.  The Recipient shall maintain or cause to be maintained a financial management system in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.09 of the General Conditions.

2.  Without limitation on the provisions of Part A of this Section, the Recipient shall prepare and furnish to the Association as part of the Project Report not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports for the Project covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the Association.

3.  The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements audited in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.09(b) of the General Conditions. Each audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one (1) fiscal year of the Recipient. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the Association not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.
Section III. Procurement

A. General

1. Goods and Works. All goods and works required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Financing shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in Section I of the Procurement Guidelines, and with the provisions of this Section.

2. Consultants’ Services. All consultants’ services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Financing shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in Sections I and IV of the Consultant Guidelines, and with the provisions of this Section.

3. Definitions. The capitalized terms used below in this Section to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the Association of particular contracts, refer to the corresponding method described in the Procurement Guidelines, or Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.

B. Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods and Works

1. International Competitive Bidding. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, goods and works shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

2. Other Methods of Procurement of Goods and Works. The following table specifies the methods of procurement, other than International Competitive Bidding, which may be used for goods and works. The Procurement Plan shall specify the circumstances under which such methods may be used:

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<td>(a) National Competitive Bidding, subject to the additional provisions set forth in the Annex to this Schedule 2</td>
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<td>(b) Shopping</td>
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<td>(c) Commercial Practices</td>
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C. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants’ Services

1. Quality- and Cost-based Selection. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, consultants’ services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.

2. Other Methods of Procurement of Consultants’ Services. The following table specifies methods of procurement, other than Quality- and Cost-based Selection,
which may be used for consultants’ services. The Procurement Plan shall specify the circumstances under which such methods may be used:

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<td>(a) Quality Based Selection</td>
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<td>(b) Selection Under a Fixed Budget</td>
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<td>(c) Least Cost Selection</td>
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<td>(d) Selection Based on Consultants’ Qualification</td>
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<td>(e) Selection of Individual Consultants</td>
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<td>(f) Single Source Selection</td>
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<td>(g) Commercial Practices</td>
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D. Review by the Association of Procurement Decisions

The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the Association’s Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the Association.

Section IV. Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Financing

A. General

1. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Financing in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the General Conditions, this Section, and such additional instructions as the Association shall specify by notice to the Recipient (including the “World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects” dated May 2006, as revised from time to time by the Association and as made applicable to this Agreement pursuant to such instructions), to finance Eligible Expenditures as set forth in the table in paragraph 2 below.

2. The following table specifies the categories of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Financing (“Category”), the allocations of the amounts of the Financing to each Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in each Category:
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<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Financing Allocated (Expressed in SDR Equivalent)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)</th>
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<td>(1) Quang Binh’s Respective Part of the Project in Dong Hoi:</td>
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<td>(a) Goods and Works</td>
<td>18,700,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(b) Consultants’ Services</td>
<td>1,238,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(c) HCP Grants under Part A.6(c) of the Project</td>
<td>62,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(2) Binh Dinh’s Respective Part of the Project in Quy Nhon:</td>
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<td>(a) Goods and Works</td>
<td>12,400,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(b) Consultants’ Services</td>
<td>597,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(c) HCP Grants under Part B.6(c) of the Project</td>
<td>3,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(3) Khanh Hoa’s Respective Part of the Project in Nha Trang:</td>
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<td>(a) Works</td>
<td>9,500,000</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>42,500,000</strong></td>
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**B. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period**

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part A of this Section, no withdrawal shall be made for payments made prior to the date of this Agreement.

2. The Closing Date is November 30, 2014.
ANNEX to SCHEDULE 2

National Competitive Bidding Procedures

The procedure to be followed for National Competitive Bidding shall be those set forth in Article 18 on Open Bidding of the Law on Procurement  61/2005/QH11 dated November 29, 2005, Law 38/2009/QH12 dated June 19, 2009 on Amending and Supplementing a Number of Articles of Laws Concerning Capital Construction Investment, and Decree 85/2009/ND-CP, Guiding Implementation of Law on Procurement and Selection of Construction Contractors under the Construction Law dated October 15, 2009 (collectively, “National Procurement Laws”) with due consideration to economy, efficiency and transparency as set forth in, and broad consistency with, Section I of the “Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits” published by the Association in May 2004 and revised in October 2006 and May 2010 (the “Guidelines”) and required by paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of the Guidelines. Whenever any procedure in the National Procurement Laws is inconsistent with the requirements of said paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of the Guidelines, the latter shall prevail, including the following:

Eligibility

1. The eligibility of bidders shall be as defined under Section I of the Guidelines; accordingly, no bidder or potential bidder shall be declared ineligible for contracts financed by the Association for reasons other than those provided in Section I of the Guidelines. Foreign bidders shall be eligible to participate in bidding under the same conditions as national bidders. In particular, no domestic preference over foreign bidders shall be granted to national bidders in bid evaluation, nor shall foreign bidders be asked or required to form joint ventures with national bidders in order to submit a bid. Bidders located in the same province or city as the procuring entity shall not be given preference over bidders located outside that city or province.

2. In addition to the foregoing requirements, equitized Government-owned enterprises in which the Recipient holds less than fifty percent of the shares are eligible to participate, provided that the procuring entity or investment owner does not own shares (or represent the Government’s shares) in the enterprise and the governing Board and management team are autonomous from the procuring entity and the investment owner. Military or security units or enterprises established under, reporting directly or indirectly to, or owned wholly or partly by, the Ministry of Defense or the Ministry of Public Security shall not be permitted to bid.

Registration

3. Registration shall not be used to assess bidders’ qualifications. A foreign bidder shall not be required to register as a condition for submitting its bid and, if determined to
be the lowest evaluated responsive bidder, shall be given reasonable opportunity of registering, without any let or hindrance. Bidding shall not be restricted to any particular class of contractors, and non-classified contractors shall also be eligible to bid.

**Advertising; Time for Bid Preparation**

4. Invitations to bid shall be advertised in at least one widely circulated national newspaper, allowing a minimum of thirty (30) days, from the date of the invitation to bid or the date of availability of the bidding documents, whichever is later, for the preparation and submission of bids, and potential bidders shall be allowed to purchase bidding documents up to any time prior to the deadline for the submission of bids. In addition, the Recipient is encouraged to advertise in the Government Public Procurement Newspaper and on a free and open access website.

**Standard Bidding Documents**

5. Standard Bidding Documents, acceptable to the Association, shall be used.

**Qualification Criteria**

6. Qualification criteria shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents, and all criteria so specified, and only such specified criteria, shall be used to determine whether a bidder is qualified. Qualification shall be assessed on a pass or fail basis and merits points shall not be used. Such assessment shall only take into account the bidder’s capacity and resources to perform the contract, specifically its experience and past performance on similar contracts, capabilities with respect to personnel, equipment and construction and manufacturing facilities, and financial capacity.

**Bid Submission, Bid Opening and Bid Evaluation**

7. Bidders may submit bids, at their option, either in person or by courier service or by mail. Bids shall be opened in public, immediately after the deadline for submission of bids. Bids received after the deadline for bid submission shall be rejected and returned to the bidders unopened.

   (a) Bidding documents shall be sold to anyone who is willing to pay the required fee of the bidding documents which shall not exceed the costs of printing, reproduction and delivery, and no other conditions shall be imposed on the sale of the bidding documents.

   (b) Evaluation of bids shall be made in strict adherence to the criteria that shall be clearly specified in the bidding documents and quantified in monetary terms for evaluation criteria other than price; merit points shall not be used in bid evaluation.
(c) A contract shall be awarded to the technically responsive bid that offers the lowest evaluated price and no negotiations shall be permitted. A bidder shall not be required, as a condition for award, to undertake obligations not specified in the bidding documents or otherwise to modify the bid as originally submitted.

(d) A bidder shall not be eliminated from detailed evaluation on the basis of minor, non-substantial deviations.

(e) No bidder shall be rejected on the basis of a comparison with the employer’s estimate and budget ceiling without the Association’s prior concurrence.

(f) A copy of the minutes of the public bid opening shall be promptly provided to all bidders who submitted bids, and to the Association with respect to contracts subject to prior review.

Rejection of All Bids and Re-bidding

8 All bids shall not be rejected or new bids solicited without the Association’s prior written concurrence.

Complaints by Bidders and Handling of Complaints

9. The Recipient shall implement an effective and independent protest mechanism allowing bidders to protest and to have their protests handled in a timely manner.

Fraud and Corruption

10. The Association shall declare a firm or individual ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period, to be awarded a contract financed by the Association, if it at any time determines that the firm or individual has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a contract financed by the Association.

Right to Inspect/Audit

11. Each bidding document and contract financed from the proceeds of a Credit shall include a provision requiring bidders, suppliers, contractors and subcontractors to permit the Association, at its request, to inspect their accounts and records relating to the bid submission and performance of the contract and to have said accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the Association. The deliberate and material violation by the bidder, supplier, contractor or subcontractor of such provision may amount to obstructive practice.
License

12. Foreign contractors shall be given a reasonable opportunity to apply for and obtain work license, which shall not be arbitrarily withheld.

Publication of the Award of Contract

13. The Recipient shall publish the following information on contract award in the Government Public Procurement Newspaper or on a free and open access website or on another means of publication acceptable to the Association: (a) name of each bidder who submitted a bid; (b) bid prices as read out at bid opening; (c) name and evaluated price of each bid that was evaluated; (d) name of bidders whose bids were rejected and the reasons for their rejection; and (e) name of the winning bidder, price it offered as well as the duration and summary scope of the contract awarded. This publication shall be updated regularly.
SCHEDULE 3

Repayment Schedule

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<th>Date Payment Due</th>
<th>Principal Amount of the Credit repayable (expressed as a percentage)*</th>
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<td>On each May 15 and November 15:</td>
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<tr>
<td>commencing May 15, 2021 to and including November 15, 2030</td>
<td>1.25%</td>
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<td>commencing May 15, 2031 to and including November 15, 2045</td>
<td>2.5%</td>
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* The percentages represent the percentage of the principal amount of the Credit to be repaid, except as the Association may otherwise specify pursuant to Section 3.03(b) of the General Conditions.
APPENDIX

Section I. Definitions


2. “Category” means a category set forth in the table in Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.


4. “General Conditions” means the “International Development Association General Conditions for Credits and Grants”, dated July 31, 2010, with the modifications set forth in Section II of this Appendix.

5. “Healthy City Partnership” and the acronym “HCP” mean an initiative to be carried out in each Project City whereby stakeholders, both public and private, including public agencies, community groups, individuals and enterprises, will participate in the formulation of a common vision of a clean and healthy city, and implement, or support the implementation of, actions and programs to realize such vision through improvements in the environmental and hygiene conditions of said Project City.

6. “HCP Grants” means grants made by the Project Provinces under Parts A.6(c), B.6(c) and C.6(c) of the Project, in accordance with the provisions of the Healthy City Partnership Manual referred to in paragraph 12 of Schedule 4 to the Original Financing Agreement, to support selected actions or programs to implement their respective Healthy City Partnerships.

7. “Original Financing Agreement” means the Development Credit Agreement for a Coastal Cities Environmental Sanitation Project between the Recipient and the Association, dated March 19, 2007, as amended to the date hereof (Credit No. 4253-VN).

8. “Original Project” means the Project described in the Original Financing Agreement.

10. “Procurement Plan” means the Recipient’s procurement plan for the Project, dated January 10, 2011 and referred to in paragraph 1.16 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.24 of the Consultant Guidelines, as the same shall be updated from time to time in accordance with the provisions of said paragraphs.

11. “Respective Part of the Project” means: (a) in respect of Quang Binh, Part A of the Project to be carried out in Dong Hoi; (b) in respect of Binh Dinh, Part B of the Project to be carried out in Quy Nhon; and (c) in respect of Khanh Hoa, Part C of the Project to be carried out in Nha Trang.

**Section II. Modifications to the General Conditions**

The modification to the General Conditions is as follows, namely, paragraph (a) of Section 2.05 is modified to read as follows:

“Section 2.05 Eligible Expenditure

(a) the payment is for the financing of the reasonable cost of goods, works, services, and HCP Grants (as said capitalized terms are defined in the Financing Agreement) required for the Project, and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Financing and procured, all in accordance with the provisions of the Financing Agreement;”