Comments from United Kingdom on Approval by Mail: India : Rajasthan Renewable Energy Transmission Investment Program (ADB)

Dear Patricia,

Thanks to you and ADB for the quick response to the questions that we raised. We are happy to approve this project and have the following comments.

• We encourage the planned monitoring and evaluation of the expected cobenefits by RREC.

• We are supportive of Rajasthan's plans for renewable energy expansion and hope that the State's renewable energy strategy will remove the risk that this CTF infrastructure project will facilitate the addition of fossil fuel generating capacity.

The plan attributes all of the GHG emission reductions from the 4300 MW of renewable energy that is being facilitated by this transmission infrastructure to the cost-effectiveness calculation. This means that future CTF projects connected to that grid (as part of these 4300 MW directly supported by the transmission network) are potentially double counting emission savings and might not be able to claim these emission savings.

Kind Regards,

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