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Facility Management Team  
Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF)  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter is a follow up to our communication from September 28, 2015, in which we requested additional time to submit our revised ER-PIN document. We would like to inform you that despite the challenging process of internal institutional reforms that has led to the creation of the Ministry of Environment and Forestry (MOEF), combining two ministries (the Ministry of Forestry with the Ministry of Environment) and roles and functions of two agencies (the REDD+ Agency and the National Council on Climate Change), the Government of Indonesia (GoI) remains fully committed to implementing our National REDD+ Strategy, including through participation in the FCPF Carbon Fund Program. In our previous letter we also informed you that we intended to submit the revised ER-PIN prior to the upcoming 13<sup>th</sup> Carbon Fund Meeting which will take place October 13-16 in Brussels, Belgium.

As we explained, we are currently working on ensuring the necessary steps needed to revise the ER-PIN, taking into account comments made by the Carbon Fund Participants (CFPs) during the 11<sup>th</sup> Carbon Fund Meeting which took place in October 2014. Among the issues we have been working to address include those related to the geographic consolidation of the program and accounting areas. In that vein, we have revisited program area selection, based on an extensive process of analysis and consultation, and have come to the conclusion that we will propose East Kalimantan Province as the focus of program accounting area. Such a decision is based on a number of considerations including: (1) the "enabling environment" as reflected through political support and stability of the local government; (2) readiness of local institutions (including a Provincial Council on Climate Change in place, the existence of strategy for Equitable and Sustainable Green Growth (East Kalimantan Vision 2030), which is supported by key documents of strategy and planning on Low Carbon Development (East Kalimantan Sustainable and Environmentally Friendly Development Strategy, Regional Action Plan to Reduce GHG Emissions (legalized through the 2012 Governor's decree) and the Provincial Strategy and Action Plan for REDD+ Implementation); (3) the support of local and international NGOs/CSOs; (4) presence of other complementary investments including existing bilateral donor-supported programs; and (5) the significant potential of verifiable emissions reductions based on INCAS calculation. East Kalimantan is the member of the Governor's Climate and Forest Task Force (GCF) who signed the Rio Branco Declaration committing to reduce deforestation in those provinces by 80% by 2020.

We have received a positive response from the Governor of East Kalimantan confirming his interest to participate in the FCPF Carbon Fund Program (Declaration letter from the Governor of East Kalimantan as attach). However, this selection should be followed by intensive communication with Provincial Governments and the seven districts which had previously been proposed but ultimately not selected, as well as public consultation involving multiple stakeholders at national and regional level.


While we had expected to complete these steps in time to allow for submission of a revised ER-PIN in the upcoming 13<sup>th</sup> Carbon Fund Meeting, we now acknowledge that such a target cannot meaningfully be met. As such, we kindly request a short extension to allowing Indonesia to submit the revised and consulted ER-PIN in accordance with due process. We expect to be able to submit such a revised ER-PIN by no later than December 17, 2015.

We understand that there are likely to be a number of strong proposals for FCPF funding, and that final allocation decisions depend in part on the scope of such proposals. In that vein, we reiterate our commitment to participating in the FCPF Carbon Fund process, which we believe will provide important source of finance and knowledge in supporting implementation of our REDD+ Strategy. The delegation of the MOEF is prepared to address any questions that the CFPs may have regarding Indonesia's REDD+ policy objectives and the implementation of the proposed Emission Reduction Program.

Thank you very much in advance for your kind cooperation and consideration and we are looking forward to receiving your positive response.

Yours sincerely,



  
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