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Mr. Kelly,

RE: Request for a no-cost extension for the Concentrating Solar Power Technology Transfer for Electricity Generation in Namibia (CSP TT NAM) Project, ID: 00072612, PIMS: 4334.

Reference is made to the letter from the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Mines and Energy (MME) dated 03 August 2016 requesting for a ten (10) months no-cost extension for the above referenced award. The end date of the project is 15 August 2016 as per the signature on the Project Document. This request supports the motivation by the Project Manager, namely;

- To enable the MME to finalise the on-going full feasibility study for Namibia's first 125 megawatts (MW) CSP plant, including the Environmental Impact Assessment study, which is currently on-going;
- Updating of the Namibia Energy Policy, Independent Power Producers (IPP) Policy, set up of the CSP Technology Transfer Coordinating Body (TTCB);
- Secure investment and funding for the planned 125 MW CSP Plant.

The request for no-cost extension will be from 16 August 2016 to 30 June 2017. This will enable adequate completion of the CSP TT NAM project. No other changes are foreseen in the project during this extension period.

Your support for this request is highly appreciated in view of Namibia's overall efforts to promote renewable energy, energy efficiency and advocating for sustainable energy in the context of broader development and poverty eradication efforts.

Yours sincerely,

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