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Extension of Time for Initial Steps

GCF Project FP0039

IRM Case C-0009-Egypt

February 7, 2023

IRM Decision on Extension of Time – Initial Steps

GCF Project: FP039 GCF-EBRD Egypt Renewable Energy Financing Framework

Date: February 7, 2023

1. On 25 October 2022, the IRM declared the complaint eligible and published the eligibility determination on its website.¹
2. According to the IRM's Procedures and Guidelines (PGs),² the IRM has 60 calendar days from declaring a complaint eligible to conduct the initial steps phase. On 11 November 2022, the IRM acknowledged receipt of a second complaint related to the same project. The complaint was declared eligible on 9 December, 2022.
3. Following consultations both complainants, IRM Case C-0009-Egypt was updated to now include two complaints, and the time period to conduct the initial steps phase was extended to 7 February, 2023.
4. The initial steps phase of this case is taking longer than anticipated to complete due to the necessity for greater coordination with multiple stakeholders. The complaints are also being processed by the accountability mechanisms of other institutions who are co-financiers to the project/program. The IRM, in keeping with best practice per the Principles for Cooperation for International Accountability Mechanisms,³ is considering a Memorandum of Understanding to delineate each mechanism's scope of work and roles.
5. The added co-ordination has resulted in a longer timeline necessary for completion of activities under the initial steps phase, including providing complainants with sufficient time to take a decision on their preferred choice of process.
6. Acting in accordance with paragraph 95 of the PGs, the IRM has decided to extend the time period for completing the initial steps phase to now conclude on 14 March 2023.

[Signed]

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¹ [determination-eligibility-c0009.pdf \(greenclimate.fund\)](#)

² Paragraph 36 of the IRM's PGs.

³ Principles for Cooperation, IAMnet