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Grievances and Complaints
Extension of Time for Initial Steps
GCF Project FP039: GCF-EBRD Egypt Renewable Energy Financing Framework

Case C-0009-Egypt

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IRM Decision on Extension of Time- Initial Steps

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1. On 25 October 2022, the IRM declared the first complaint eligible and published the eligibility determination on its website.¹

- 2. According to paragraph 36 of 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
- 3. Following consultations with 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 consolidated to 7 February 2023.⁴
- 4. The IRM published the first extension of time limits on 7 February 2023 to enable greater coordination with multiple stakeholders of the case and to find clear working arrangements with other Independent Accountability Mechanisms (IAMs) that have received complaints from the same individuals who filed complaints with the IRM.⁵
- 5. Ultimately, the IRM and other IAMs involved have been able to agree on the working arrangements. However, it took longer than initially anticipated, and the draft report was circulated to the parties on short notice. The IRM has received responses and comments from some stakeholders, some requested clarifications, and another key stakeholder is still reviewing the draft initial steps report.
- 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 7 April 2023.

[Signed]

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¹ Available at: https://irm.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/case/determination-eligiblity-c0009.pdf

² Available at: https://irm.greenclimate.fund/document/2019-procedures-and-guidelines-irm

³ Available at: https://irm.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/case/determination-eligiblity-c0009-complainant2.pdf

 $^{^{4}\,}Available\,at:\,\underline{https://irm.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/case/clarification-time-limits-31-january.pdf}$

⁵ Available at: https://irm.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/case/first-extension-time-limits-c0009.pdf