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Re: PROGREEN Grant No. TF C3588-KG
RESILAND CA+ Program: Kyrgyz Republic Resilient Landscape Restoration Project
Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter

Excellency:

I refer to the Grant Agreement (the “Agreement”) between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (the “Bank”), acting as administrator of Global Partnership for Sustainable and Resilient Landscapes Multi-Donor Trust Fund and the Kyrgyz Republic (the “Recipient”) for the above-referenced Project. The Standard Conditions, as defined in the Grant Agreement, provide that the Bank may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of PROGREEN Grant No. TF C3588-KG (the “PROGREEN Grant”), and may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter (“Disbursement and Financial Information Letter” or “DFIL”), as revised from time to time, constitutes such additional instructions.

I. Disbursement Arrangements and Withdrawal of Grant Funds

The Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, dated February 2017, (“Disbursement Guidelines”) are available in the Bank’s public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and its secure website “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. The Disbursement Guidelines are an integral part of the DFIL, and the manner in which the provisions in the guidelines apply to the Grant is specified below.

(i) Disbursement Arrangements

The table in **Schedule 1** provides the disbursement methods which may be used by the Recipient, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications and advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Account.

(ii) Withdrawal of Grant Funds (Electronic Delivery) Section 7.01 (c) of the Standard Conditions.

The Recipient will deliver Withdrawal Applications (with supporting documents) electronically through the Bank’s web-based portal “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. This option will be effected after the officials designated in writing by the Recipient who are authorized to sign and deliver Withdrawal Applications have registered as users of “Client Connection”. The designated officials will deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through

“Client Connection”. By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Recipient confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by electronic means. The Recipient may exercise the option of preparing and delivering Withdrawal Applications in paper form on exceptional cases (including those where the Recipient encounters legal limitations), and which were previously agreed with the Bank. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Bank's public website at <https://www.worldbank.org> and “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

II. Financial Reports and Audits Section 2.07 (a) and (b) of the Standard Conditions.

(i) **Financial Reports.** The Recipient shall through the PIU of MoES prepare and furnish to the Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports (IFR) for the Project, covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank, commencing with the calendar quarter in which the first withdrawal was made.

(ii) **Audits.** Each audit of the Project Financial Statements shall cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Project Financial Statements for each such period shall be furnished to the Bank by the Recipient through the PIU of MoES, not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.

III. Other Important Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Bank's website (<http://www.worldbank.org/>) and “Client Connection” at <https://clientconnection.worldbank.org>. The Bank recommends that you register as a user of “Client Connection”. From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Authorized Signatory Letters and Withdrawal Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Grant, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, or if you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the Bank by email at askloans@worldbank.org.

Yours sincerely,

Tatiana Proskuryakova

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Country Director
Central Asia

Attachments

1. Form of Authorized Signatory Letter (ASL)
2. Form of Statement of Expenditure (SOE)
3. Form of Designated Account Reconciliation Statement (DARS)

Cc with copies:

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Schedule 1 - Disbursement Provisions

Basic Information					
PROGREEN Grant No.	TF C3588-KG	Country	Kyrgyz Republic	Closing Date	Section III.B.2 of Schedule 2 to the Grant Agreement
		Recipient	Ministry of Finance		
		Name of the Project	RESILAND CA+ Program: Kyrgyz Republic Resilient Landscape Restoration Project	Disbursement Deadline Date <i>Subsection 3.7 **</i>	Four (4) months after the closing date
Disbursement Methods, and Supporting Documentation					
Disbursement Methods <i>Section 2 **</i>		Methods Available	Supporting Documentation <i>Subsections 4.3 and 4.4 **</i>		
Direct Payment		Yes	Copy of records (e.g., suppliers' invoices, guarantees for advance and retention payments, etc.)		
Reimbursement		Yes	SOE in the formats provided in Attachment 2 of the DFIL		
Advance (into a Designated Account)		Yes	SOE and DARS in the formats provided in Attachment 2 and 3 of the DFIL		
Special Commitments		Yes	Copy of Letter of Credit (including pro forma invoice(s), if cited in the Letter of Credit)		
Designated Account <i>Section 5 and 6 **</i>					
Type		A Segregated DA (DA-C) managed by the PIU of MoES***		Ceiling	Fixed
Financial Institution - Name		To be established at a commercial bank acceptable to the Bank		Currency	USD
Frequency of Reporting <i>Subsection 6.3 **</i>		Monthly		Amount	500,000
Minimum Value of Applications <i>Subsection 3.5**</i>					
The minimum value of applications for Reimbursement, Direct Payment and Special Commitment is USD 100,000 equivalent.					
Authorized Signatures <i>Subsections 3.1 and 3.2 **</i>					
<i>The form for Authorized Signatories Letter (ASL) is provided in Attachment 1 of this letter.</i>					
Withdrawal and Documentation Applications <i>Subsections 3.3 and 3.4 **</i>					
The ASL and all Withdrawal Applications with their supporting documentation will be submitted electronically via the Bank's ClientConnection system.					
Additional Instructions					
1) Funds from the Designated Accounts may be transferred to Project/Transit Accounts (in local currency) in a financial institute acceptable to the Bank to meet eligible project expenditures, provided that transactions and balance in these accounts are included in all project financial reports.					
2) No withdrawal shall be made under this PROGREEN Grant (PROGREEN TF C3588-KG) for eligible expenditure that have already been financed from the other Financings under the Project (IDA 7490-KG and KWPF TF C3586-KG), or for which withdrawals have been requested under these Financings, and vice versa.					

*** Sections and subsections indicated relate to the "Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing" dated February 2017.*

****As defined in the Grant Agreement.*

Attachment 1 – Form of Authorized Signatory Letter (ASL)

Authorized Signatory Letter

[Letterhead]
[Recipient]
[Street address]
[City] [Country]

[DATE]

The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Attention: *Country Director*

**Re: PROGREEN Grant No. TF C3588- KG
RESILAND CA+ Program: Kyrgyz Republic Resilient Landscape Restoration Project**

I refer to the Grant Agreement (the “Agreement”) between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (the “Bank”), acting as administrator of Global Partnership for Sustainable and Resilient Landscapes Multi-Donor Trust Fund, and the Kyrgyz Republic (the “Recipient”), dated _____, providing the above Grant. For the purposes of Section 3.04 (b) of the Standard Conditions, as defined in the Agreement, any [one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient to sign applications for withdrawal [and applications for a special commitment] under these Grant.

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the Bank, ²[each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient, acting ³[individually] ⁴[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the Bank.

This confirms that the Recipient is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Bank by

¹ Instruction to the Recipient when sending this letter to the World Bank: Stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the World Bank/Association.*

² Instruction to the Recipient: Stipulate if more than one person needs to *jointly* sign Applications, if so, please indicate the actual number. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the World Bank/Association.*

³ Instruction to the Recipient: Use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the World Bank/Association.*

⁴ Instruction to the Recipient: Use this bracket only if several individuals must jointly sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the World Bank/Association.*

electronic means. In full recognition that the Bank shall rely upon such representations and warranties, including without limitation, the representations and warranties contained in the *Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation* (“Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC”), the Recipient represents and warrants to the Bank that it will cause such persons to abide by those terms and conditions.

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the Bank records with respect to these Agreement.

Signatory Details

Name	Position	Email ID	Phone No.
[Signatory Name]	[Title]	[Email]	[Phone No.]

Specimen Signatures

Name	Signature 1	Signature 2	Signature 3
[Signatory Name]			

Yours truly,

/ signed /

[Position]

Attachment 2 – Form of Statement of Expenditure (SOE)

Statement of Expenditure (SOE)

Payments made during the period from _____ to _____

PROGREEN Grant No.: _____
Application No.: _____
Category No.: _____
SOE No.: _____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Supplier's Name	WB Contract Number in Client Connection (for Prior Review Contracts)	Type of Good or Service (CW/GO/CS/OP/TR) / Brief Description	Currency and Total Amount, and Date of Contract	Currency and Total Amount of Invoice Covered by Application	% Financed by TF	Amount Eligible for Financing (5 x 6)	Currency and Amount Paid from Designated Account (if Applicable)	Exchange Rate	Date of Payment	Remarks
TOTALS										

Supporting documents for this SOE retained at _____
 (location)

Attachment 3 – Form of Designated Account Reconciliation Statement (DARS)

Designated Account Reconciliation Statement

GRANT NUMBER _____
 ACCOUNT NUMBER _____ WITH (BANK) _____

- 1. TOTAL ADVANCED BY WORLD BANK (OR COFINANCIER) _____
- 2. LESS: TOTAL AMOUNT RECOVERED BY WORLD BANK - _____
- 3. EQUALS PRESENT OUTSTANDING AMOUNT ADVANCED TO THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT (NUMBER 1 LESS NUMBER 2) = _____

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- 4. BALANCE OF SPECIAL ACCOUNT PER ATTACHED BANK STATEMENT AS OF DATE _____
- 5. PLUS: TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED IN THIS APPLICATION NO. _____ + _____ *
- 6. PLUS: TOTAL AMOUNT WITHDRAWN AND NOT YET CLAIMED REASON: _____ + _____ *
- 7. PLUS: AMOUNTS CLAIMED IN PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS NOT YET CREDITED AT DATE OF BANK STATEMENTS

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT *</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

- SUBTOTAL OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS NOT YET CREDITED + _____
- 8. MINUS: INTEREST EARNED - _____ *
- 9. TOTAL ADVANCE ACCOUNTED FOR (NO. 4 THROUGH NO. 9) = _____

10. EXPLANATION OF ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTALS APPEARING ON LINES 3 AND 9:

11. DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

TITLE: _____