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Swiss Grant Agreement

(Power and District Heating Rehabilitation Project)

between

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

as Administrator of Grant Funds  
provided by the Swiss Cooperation Office  
for Eastern Europe

Dated February 22, 1996

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SWISS GRANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated February 22, 1996 between the KYRGYZ REPUBLIC (the Recipient) and the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (the Association) acting as Administrator (the Administrator) of grant funds provided by the SWISS COOPERATION OFFICE FOR EASTERN EUROPE (SWITZERLAND).

WHEREAS (A) pursuant to an agreement dated July 24, 1990, as amended, between Switzerland and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) and the Association, Switzerland has requested the Bank and the Association, and the Bank and the Association have agreed to administer grant funds to be made available by Switzerland for the financing of certain programs and projects supported by the Bank or the Association, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of such agreement; and

(B) Switzerland has agreed to make available to the Recipient a grant out of said grant funds (the Grant) to finance the cost of the technical assistance described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement (the Technical Assistance) on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

General Conditions; Definitions

Section 1.01. (a) The following provisions of the General Conditions Applicable to Development Credit Agreements of the Association, dated January 1, 1985, with the modifications set forth in paragraph (b) of this Section (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

- (i) Article I;
- (ii) Sections 2.01 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (11), (12) and (13);
- (iii) Section 3.01;
- (iv) Sections 4.01 and 4.05;
- (v) Article V;
- (vi) Sections 6.01, 6.02 (a) (i), (b), (d), (e), (g) and (h), 6.03, 6.04 and 6.06;
- (vii) Section 8.01 (b);
- (viii) Sections 9.01, 9.03, 9.04, 9.05, 9.06, 9.07 and 9.08;
- (ix) Sections 10.01, 10.02 and 10.03; and
- (x) Article XI.

(b) The General Conditions shall be modified as follows:

- (i) the term "Association", wherever used in the General Conditions, other than in Sections 2.01 (8) and 6.02 (e) thereof means the International Development Association acting as Administrator of the Grant pursuant to the agreement between Switzerland and the Association, and the Association referred to in Recital (A) of this Agreement, except that in Section 6.02, the term "Association" shall also include the International Development Association acting in its own capacity;
- (ii) the term "Borrower", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the Recipient;
- (iii) the term "Credit Agreement", wherever used in the General Conditions, means this Agreement;
- (iv) the term "Credit", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the Grant;
- (v) the term "Credit Account", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the Grant Account, an account opened by the Administrator on its books in the name of the Recipient to which the amount of the Grant is credited;
- (vi) the term "Project", wherever used in the General Conditions, means the technical assistance described in Schedule 1 to this Agreement; and
- (vii) Section 4.01 shall be modified to read:

"Withdrawals from the Grant Account shall be made in Dollars; provided, however, that if the expenditures to be financed out of the Grant have been paid or are payable in another currency, the Administrator shall, at the request of the Recipient, purchase such currency with the proceeds of such withdrawal."

Section 1.02. Wherever used in this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the General Conditions and in the Recitals to this Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth.

## ARTICLE II

### The Grant

Section 2.01. The Administrator agrees to make available to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, the Grant in an amount of five hundred thousand US dollars (US\$500,000).

Section 2.02. The Grant is made to finance 100% of total expenditures for consultants' services in respect of the reasonable cost of carrying out the Project to be financed out of the Grant, provided, however, that no withdrawals shall be made in respect of payments made prior to the date of this Agreement.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be June 30, 1997 or such later date as the Administrator shall establish. The Administrator shall promptly notify the Recipient of such later date.

### ARTICLE III

#### Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. The Recipient shall carry out the Project with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate public power utility practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the Project.

Section 3.02. Except as the Administrator shall otherwise agree, procurement of the consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the Grant shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

Section 3.03. (a) The Recipient shall maintain or cause to be maintained records and accounts adequate to reflect in accordance with sound accounting practices the operations, resources and expenditures in respect of the Project of the departments or agencies of the Recipient responsible for carrying out the Project or any part thereof.

(b) The Recipient shall:

- (i) have the records and accounts referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section for each fiscal year audited, in accordance with appropriate auditing principles consistently applied, by independent auditors acceptable to the Administrator;
- (ii) furnish to the Administrator as soon as available, but in any case not later than six (6) months after the end of each such year, the report of such audit by said auditors, of such scope and in such detail as the Administrator shall have reasonably requested; and
- (iii) furnish to the Administrator such other information concerning said records and accounts and the audit thereof as the Administrator shall from time to time reasonably request.

### ARTICLE IV

#### Effectiveness; Termination

Section 4.01. This Agreement shall become effective upon its execution by the parties hereto.

Section 4.02. This Agreement shall continue in effect until the Grant has been fully disbursed and the parties to this Agreement have fulfilled all their obligations hereunder.

### ARTICLE V

#### Representation

Section 5.01. The Vice Chairman of the State Commission for Foreign Investments and Economic Assistance of the Recipient is designated as representative of the Recipient for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 5.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Recipient:

Vice Chairman of State Commission for Foreign  
Investments and Economic Assistance  
96 Kievskaya Street  
Bishkek 720300  
Kyrgyz Republic

Telex:

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For the Administrator:

International Development Association  
1818 H Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20433  
United States of America

Cable address:

INDEVAS  
Washington, D.C.

Telex:

197688 (TRT)  
248423 (RCA)  
64145 (WUI) or  
82987 (FTCC)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting through their duly authorized representatives, have caused this Agreement to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

By /s/ Askar I. Sarygulov

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
as Administrator of the Grant

By /s/ Yukon Huang

Authorized Representative

#### SCHEDULE 1

##### Description of Technical Assistance

The objective of the Technical Assistance is to provide expert consultants' services to assist the Kyrgyz National Energy Holding Company (KNEHC) in: (a) preparing bidding documents for the various components of a proposed Power and District Heating Rehabilitation Project; and (b) setting up a Project Implementation Unit (PIU) that would supervise the implementation of the proposed project.

The main tasks to be undertaken by the consultants (who will be appointed by KNEHC) include assisting in: (a) carrying out the detailed design and preparation of bidding documents; (b) evaluating bids and negotiating the main contracts; (c) setting up the PIU, including preparing its manual of procedures for accounting, scheduling and reporting; (d) training PIU staff; and (e) supplying hardware and software required for the operation of the PIU.

#### SCHEDULE 2

##### Consultants' Services

##### Employment of Consultants

In order to assist the Recipient in carrying out the Project, the Recipient shall employ consultants whose qualifications, experience and terms and conditions of employment shall be satisfactory to the Administrator. Such consultants shall be

selected in accordance with principles and procedures satisfactory to the Administrator on the basis of the "Guidelines for the Use of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers and by The World Bank as Executing Agency" published by the Bank in August 1981 (the Consultant Guidelines).

