LOAN NUMBER 7397 - TUN

Guarantee Agreement

(Tunis West Sewerage Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

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GUARANTEE AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated July 18, 2006, entered into between REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA ("Guarantor") and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT ("Bank") ("Guarantee Agreement") in connection with the Loan Agreement of same date between the Bank and Office National de l'Assainissement ("Borrower") ("Loan Agreement"). The Guarantor and the Bank hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I – GENERAL CONDITIONS; DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. The General Conditions (as defined in the Appendix to the Loan Agreement) constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

Section 1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the General Conditions or in the Loan Agreement.

ARTICLE II – GUARANTEE

Section 2.01. The Guarantor declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project. To this end, without limitation or restriction upon any of its other obligations under the Guarantee Agreement, the Guarantor hereby unconditionally guarantees, as primary obligor and not as surety merely, the due and punctual payment of all Loan Payments payable by the Borrower pursuant to the Loan Agreement.

ARTICLE III – REPRESENTATIVE; ADDRESSES

Section 3.01. The Guarantor's Representative is the Guarantor's Minister of Development and International Cooperation.

Section 3.02. The Guarantor's Address is:

Ministry of Development and International Cooperation Place Ali Zouaoui 1069 Tunis Republic of Tunisia

Cable address: Facsimile:

MCIIE 216 71 351 666

Section 3.03. The Bank's Address is:

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America

Cable: Telex: Facsimile:

INTBAFRAD 248423 (MCI) or (202) 477-6391 Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)

AGREED at Washington, District of Columbia, United States of America, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

By /s/ Mohamed Nejib Hachana

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Theodore O. Ahlers
Authorized Representative