LOAN NUMBER 7211-CH

Loan Agreement

(Social Protection Technical Assistance Project)

between

**REPUBLIC OF CHILE** 

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

Dated May 10, 2004

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### LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated May 10, 2004, between the REPUBLIC OF CHILE (the Borrower) and INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank).

WHEREAS (A) the Borrower is implementing a program of actions, objectives and policies designed to achieve structural adjustment of its social protection system (the Program) and intends to contract from the Bank a loan in an amount of two hundred million Dollars (the Social Protection Loan) in support of the Program during the execution thereof;

WHEREAS (B) the Borrower, having satisfied itself as to the feasibility and priority of the project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement (the Project), has requested the Bank to assist in the financing of the Project;

WHEREAS the Bank has agreed, on the basis, *inter alia*, of the foregoing, to extend the Loan to the Borrower, in support of the Project, upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **General Conditions; Definitions**

Section 1.01. The "General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements for Fixed-Spread Loans" of the Bank dated September 1, 1999 (the General Conditions), constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

Section 1.02. Unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the Preamble to this Agreement and in the General Conditions have the respective meanings therein set forth and the following additional terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Chile *Solidario*" means the social protection system referred to in Decree No. 144;

(b) "Decree No. 144" means the Borrower's Presidential Decree on social protection published in the Borrower's Official *Gazette* on August 19, 2002;

(c) "DIPRES" means the Borrower's Budget Directorate within its Ministry of Finance;

(d) "Fiscal Year" means the Borrower's fiscal year which commences January 1;

(e) "FMR" means each report prepared in accordance with Section 4.02 of this Agreement;

(f) "IPDP" means the plan set forth in a letter from MIDEPLAN and DIPRES to the Bank dated October 30, 2003 setting forth measures and strategies to ensure the ethnic and cultural appropriateness of Chile *Solidario*;

(g) "MIDEPLAN" means the Borrower's Ministry of Planning and Cooperation;

(h) "Operational Manual" means the manual referred to in Section 3.03 of this Agreement;

(i) "Performance Indicators" means the indicators set forth in the Operational Manual;

(j) "PIU" means the Project implementation unit referred to in Section 3.01(b) (i) of this Agreement;

(k) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02 (b) of this Agreement;

(1) "Technical Unit" means any unit referred to in Section 3.01 (b) (ii) of this Agreement;

(m) "Training Coordination Agency" means the Borrower's social investment fund established pursuant to the Borrower's Law No. 18989 published in the Borrower's Official *Gazette* on July 19, 1990 or any other agency, satisfactory to the Bank, for purposes of coordinating the training to be carried out under Part B.2 of the Project; and

(n) "Training Coordination Agreement" means the agreement referred to in Section 3.01 (c) of this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE II**

## The Loan

Section 2.01. The Bank agrees to lend to the Borrower, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, an amount equal to ten million seven hundred ten thousand Dollars (\$10,710,000), as such amount may be converted from time to time through a Currency Conversion in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.09 of this Agreement.

Section 2.02. (a) The amount of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement for expenditures made (or, if the Bank shall so agree, to be made) in respect of the reasonable cost of goods, works and services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan and in respect of the front-end fee referred to in Section 2.04 of this Agreement and any premium in respect of an Interest Rate Cap or Interest Rate Collar payable by the Borrower in accordance with Section 4.04 (c) of the General Conditions.

(b) The Borrower may, for purposes of the Project, open and maintain in Dollars a separate special deposit account in its Central Bank, or a commercial bank acceptable to the Bank, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, including in the event it is opened in a commercial bank, appropriate protection against set-off, seizure and attachment. Deposits into, and payments out of, the Special Account shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be September 30, 2007, or such later date as the Bank shall establish. The Bank shall promptly notify the Borrower of such later date.

Section 2.04. The Borrower shall pay to the Bank a front-end fee in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the amount of the Loan. On or promptly after the Effective Date, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan account and pay to itself the amount of such fee.

Section 2.05. The Borrower shall pay to the Bank a commitment charge on the principal amount of the Loan not withdrawn from time to time, at a rate equal to: (i) eighty five one-hundredths of one per cent (0.85%) per annum from the date on which such charge commences to accrue in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.02 of the General Conditions to but not including the fourth anniversary of such date; and (ii) seventy five one-hundredths of one per cent (0.75%) per annum thereafter.

Section 2.06. The Borrower shall pay interest on the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, in respect of each Interest Period at the Variable Rate; provided, that upon a Conversion of all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan, the Borrower shall, during the Conversion Period, pay interest on such amount in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article IV of the General Conditions.

Section 2.07. Interest and other charges shall be payable semiannually in arrears on June 15 and December 15 in each year.

Section 2.08. The Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Loan in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 3 to this Agreement.

Section 2.09. (a) The Borrower may at any time request any of the following Conversions of the terms of the Loan in order to facilitate prudent debt management:

- a change of the Loan Currency of all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan, withdrawn or unwithdrawn, to an Approved Currency;
- (ii) a change of the interest rate basis applicable to all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan from a Variable Rate to a Fixed Rate, or vice versa; and
- (iii) the setting of limits on the Variable Rate applicable to all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding by the establishment of an Interest Rate Cap or Interest Rate Collar on said Variable Rate.

(b) Any conversion requested pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section that is accepted by the Bank shall be considered a "Conversion", as defined in Section 2.01(7) of the General Conditions, and shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of Article IV of the General Conditions and of the Conversion Guidelines.

(c) Promptly following the Execution date for an Interest Rate Cap or Interest Rate Collar in respect of which the Borrower has requested that the premium be paid out of the proceeds of the Loan, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and pay to itself the amounts required to pay any premium payable in accordance with Section 4.04 (c) of the General Conditions up to the amount allocated from time to time for such purpose in the table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE III**

#### **Execution of the Project**

Section 3.01. (a) The Borrower declares its commitment to the objective of the Project and, to this end, shall carry out the Project through MIDEPLAN, with the assistance of the Training Coordination Agency in respect of Part B.2 of the Project, all with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate economic, administrative, financial, environmental and social practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for the Project.

(b) The Borrower shall, during the implementation of the Project maintain in MIDEPLAN:

- (i) a Project implementation unit (PIU) with functions and responsibilities satisfactory to the Bank; and
- (ii) technical units for implementation of the Project, with composition and functions satisfactory to the Bank, as set forth in the Operational Manual.

(c) The Borrower shall, through MIDEPLAN, enter into an agreement with the Training Coordination Agency, under terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, to set forth their respective responsibilities in the implementation and coordination of Part B.2 of the Project.

(d) The Borrower shall exercise its rights and carry out its obligations under the Training Coordination Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Borrower and the Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Loan, and, except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not assign, amend, abrogate, suspend, waive, terminate or fail to enforce the Training Coordination Agreement or any provision thereof.

Section 3.02. Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods, works and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be governed by the provisions of Schedule 4 to this Agreement.

Section 3.03. The Borrower shall, through MIDEPLAN, carry out the Project in accordance with an operational manual, satisfactory to the Bank, said manual to include, *inter alia*, the procedures for the carrying out, monitoring and evaluation of the Project (including the procurement, financial and disbursement requirements thereof and the

performance indicators). In case of any conflict between the terms of the Operational Manual and those of this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.

Section 3.04. The Borrower shall:

(a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the Performance Indicators, the carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objective thereof;

(b) through MIDEPLAN prepare, under terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, and furnish to the Bank, not later than twelve months after the Effective Date and yearly thereafter during the period of Project implementation, a report integrating the results of the evaluation activities performed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section, on the progress achieved in the carrying out of the Project during the period preceding the date of such report and setting out the measures recommended to ensure the efficient carrying out of the Project and the achievement of the objective thereof during the period following such date; and

- (c) (i) review with the Bank, within no more than two months after each such report's preparation, the reports referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section; and
  - (ii) thereafter, take all measures required to ensure the efficient completion of the Project and the achievement of the objective thereof, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the said reports and the Bank's views on the matter.

Section 3.05. The Borrower shall carry out the IPDP in accordance with its terms.

# **ARTICLE IV**

## **Financial Covenants**

Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall establish and maintain in MIDEPLAN a financial management system, including records and accounts, and prepare financial statements in accordance with consistently applied accounting standards acceptable to the Bank, adequate to reflect the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Project.

(b) The Borrower shall:

- (i) have the financial statements referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section for each fiscal year (or other period agreed to by the Bank), audited, in accordance with consistently applied auditing standards acceptable to the Bank, by independent auditors acceptable to the Bank;
- (ii) furnish to the Bank as soon as available, but in any case not later than six months after the end of each such year (or such other period agreed to by the Bank): (A) certified copies of the financial statements referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section for such year (or other period agreed to by the Bank), as so audited; and (B) an opinion on such statements by said auditors, in scope and detail satisfactory to the Bank; and
- (iii) furnish to the Bank such other information concerning such records and accounts, and the audit of such financial statements, and concerning said auditors, as the Bank may from time to time reasonably request.

(c) For all expenditures with respect to which withdrawals from the Loan Account were made on the basis of statements of expenditure, the Borrower shall through MIDEPLAN:

- retain, until at least one year after the Bank has received the audit report for, or covering, the fiscal year in which the last withdrawal from the Loan Account was made, all records (contracts, orders, invoices, bills, receipts and other documents) evidencing such expenditures;
- (ii) enable the Bank's representatives to examine such records; and
- (iii) ensure that such statements of expenditure are included in the audit for each fiscal year (or other period agreed to by the Bank), referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section.

Section 4.02. (a) Without limitation upon the Borrower's progress reporting obligations set out in Section 3.04 of this Agreement, the Borrower shall through MIDEPLAN prepare and furnish to the Bank a financial monitoring report, in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank, which:

- sets forth sources and uses of funds for the Project, both cumulatively and for the period covered by said report, showing separately funds provided under the Loan, and explains variances between the actual and planned uses of such funds;
- (ii) describes physical progress in Project implementation, both cumulatively and for the period covered by said report, and explains variances between the actual and planned Project implementation; and
- (iii) sets forth the status of procurement under the Project, as at the end of the period covered by said report.

(b) The first FMR shall be furnished to the Bank not later than 45 days after the end of the first calendar quarter after the Effective Date, and shall cover the period from the incurrence of the first expenditure under the Project through the end of such first calendar quarter; thereafter, each FMR shall be furnished to the Bank not later than 45 days after each subsequent calendar quarter, and shall cover such calendar quarter.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Effective Date; Termination**

Section 5.01. The following event is specified as an additional condition to the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement within the meaning of Section 12.01 (c) of the General Conditions, namely, that MIDEPLAN has adopted the Operational Manual.

Section 5.02. The date August 9, 2004 is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **Representative of the Borrower; Addresses**

Section 6.01. The Minister of Finance of the Borrower is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 6.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

For the Borrower:

Ministry of Finance Teatinos 120 Santiago, Chile

Facsimile: (56-2) 698-8903

For the Bank:

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

| Cable address:                | Telex:                         | Facsimile:     |
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| INTBAFRAD<br>Washington, D.C. | 248423 (MCI) or<br>64145 (MCI) | (202) 477-6391 |

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

## REPUBLIC OF CHILE

By /s/ Juan Gabriel Valdez

Authorized Representative

## INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By /s/ Axel Van Trotsenburg Acting Regional Vice President Latin America and the Caribbean

Countersigned on behalf of the Treasurer General of the Republic of Chile

By: /s/ Juan Gabriel Valdez Authorized Representative

Countersigned on behalf of the Controller General of the Republic of Chile

By: /s/ Juan Gabriel Valdez Authorized Representative

# **SCHEDULE 1**

# Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Loan

The table below sets forth the Categories of items to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, the allocation of the amounts of the Loan to each Category and the percentage of expenditures for items so to be financed in each Category:

|  | Amount of the<br>Loan Allocated  |   |
|--|----------------------------------|---|
| Category   | (Expressed in <u>Dollars)</u>    | % of Expenditures<br>to be Financed   |
| (1) Works  | 196,000                          | 80% of local expenditures   |
| <ul><li>(2) Goods (including computers,<br/>office equipment and supplies)</li></ul>                               | 1,042,000                        | 100% of foreign<br>expenditures, 100% of<br>local expenditures<br>(ex-factory cost) and<br>80% of local<br>expenditures for other<br>items procured locally |
| (3) Consultants' and other services  | 6,910,000                        | 95%   |
| <ul> <li>(4) Training</li> <li>(a) for Part B.1 of the Project</li> <li>(b) for Part B.2 of the Project</li> </ul> | )<br>1,132,400)<br>)<br>573,600) | 100%  |
| (5) Incremental Operational<br>Costs   | 180,000                          | 70% of expenditures<br>made until twelve<br>months after the<br>Effective Date and not<br>exceeding in the<br>aggregate \$100,000;<br>and 30% thereafter    |
| (6) Unallocated  | 568,100                          |   |

| Category  | Amount of the<br>Loan Allocated<br>(Expressed in<br><u>Dollars)</u> | % of Expenditures<br>to be Financed                       |
|---|---|---|
| (7) Front-End Fee   | 107,100   | Amount due under<br>Section 2.04 of this<br>Agreement     |
| <ul><li>(8) Premia for Interest Rate<br/>Caps and Interest Rate Collars</li></ul> | 0   | Amount due under<br>Section 2.09 (c) of<br>this Agreement |
| TOTAL   | 10,710,000  |   |

2. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "foreign expenditures" means expenditures in the currency of any country other than that of the Borrower for goods or services supplied from the territory of any country other than that of the Borrower;

(b) the term "local expenditures" means expenditures in the currency of the Borrower or for goods or services supplied from the territory of the Borrower;

(c) the term "incremental operational costs" means the reasonable nonconsultants' costs incurred: (i) by the PIU for maintenance and consumable office supplies, materials, rental of facilities, and incidental costs associated with Project implementation; (ii) by PIU members for travel to participate in training events; and (iii) for the functioning of the Technical Units (including travel by their staff), none of which would have been incurred absent the Project; and

(d) the term "training" means the non-consultants' reasonable costs of: (i) travel, room, board and per diem incurred by trainees in connection with their training; and (ii) the course fees charged by academic or other institutions.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1 above, no withdrawals shall be made in respect of:

(a) payments made for expenditures prior to the date of this Agreement except that withdrawals, in an aggregate amount not exceeding \$500,000, may be made

on account of payments made for expenditures twelve months before that date but after July 1, 2003; and

(b) payments for expenditures for Part B.2 of the Project covered by Subcategory (4) (b) set forth in the table in paragraph 1 of this Schedule, unless the Training Coordination Agreement has been entered into by the parties thereto.

4. The Bank may require withdrawals from the Loan Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures, all under such terms and conditions as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower:

(a) for goods under contracts not exceeding \$100,000 equivalent per contract;

(b) for services of consulting firms under contracts not exceeding \$100,000 equivalent per contract;

(c) for services of individual consultants under contracts not exceeding \$50,000 equivalent per contract; and

(d) for works, incremental operational costs and training.

## SCHEDULE 2

## **Description of the Project**

The objective of the Project is to support the Borrower's efforts to implement Chile *Solidario* and lay the base for a national system of social protection.

The Project consists of the following parts, subject to such modifications thereof as the Borrower and the Bank may agree upon from time to time to achieve such objectives:

### Part A: Information System for Social Protection

Design and implementation of an information system for social protection, including the carrying out of a public information campaign on the system and the acquisition of the hardware and software and related services required therefor.

Part B: Training

Provision of training:

1. to strengthen the Borrower's ministerial and sectoral capacities at the center and regional levels to develop, implement and monitor a system of social protection; and

2. to strengthen the capacity of the social workers of Chile *Solidario* in their interaction with Chile *Solidario* beneficiaries.

Part C: System of Analysis, Evaluation and Monitoring of Social Programs and Policies

Strengthening the Borrower's capacity to quantify the impact of Chile *Solidario* through:

1. the design of an integrated system of monitoring of management processes and partial results of Chile *Solidario*;

2. the evaluation of the effectiveness of selected programs of Chile *Solidario* in addressing the needs of the beneficiaries of Chile *Solidario*;

3. the evaluation of the impact of Chile *Solidario* on the families in extreme poverty including, among others, indigenous peoples, and carrying out of household surveys required for such evaluation; and

4. the design and implementation of consultations with community organizations in selected areas to assess the implementation of Chile *Solidario*.

# Part D: Institutional Strengthening of MIDEPLAN

1. Establishment and operation of the Technical Units, and minor remodeling, refurnishing and equipping of offices required for the operation of such units.

2. Carrying out of an analysis of current strengths and weaknesses of the Social Division of MIDEPLAN, and formulation of a proposal for the restructuring of such Social Division so as to support more efficiently the coordination and installation of Chile *Solidario* and of the Borrower's social protection system.

3. Carrying out of studies on subjects related to the implementation of Chile *Solidario*, including, *inter alia*, the review of the status of the basic needs and human development index of indigenous peoples, and their demands for public services.

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The Project is expected to be completed by March 31, 2007.

### SCHEDULE 3

#### **Amortization Schedule**

1. The following table sets forth the Principal Payment Dates of the Loan and the percentage of the total principal amount of the Loan payable on each Principal Payment Date (Installment Share). If the proceeds of the Loan shall have been fully withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the principal amount of the Loan repayable by the Borrower on each Principal Payment Date shall be determined by the Bank by multiplying: (a) the total principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding as of the first Principal Payment Date; by (b) the Installment Share for each Principal Payment Date, such repayment amount to be adjusted, as necessary, to deduct any amounts referred to in paragraph 4 of this Schedule, to which a Currency Conversion applies.

| Payment Date   | Installment Share<br>(Expressed as a %) |
|--|---|
| On each June 15 and December 15                      |   |
| Beginning June 15, 2010<br>through December 15, 2011 | 25%                                     |

2. If the proceeds of the Loan shall not have been fully withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the principal amount of the Loan repayable by the Borrower on each Principal Payment Date shall be determined as follows:

(a) To the extent that any proceeds of the Loan shall have been withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the Borrower shall repay the amount withdrawn and outstanding as of such date in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Schedule.

(b) Any withdrawal made after the first Principal Payment Date shall be repaid on each Principal Payment Date falling after the date of such withdrawal in amounts determined by the Bank by multiplying the amount of each such withdrawal by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the original Installment Share specified in the table in paragraph 1 of this Schedule for said Principal Payment Date (the Original Installment Share) and the denominator of which shall be the sum of all remaining Original Installment Shares for Principal Payment Dates falling on or after such date, such repayment amounts to be adjusted, as necessary, to deduct any amounts referred to in paragraph 4 of this Schedule, to which a Currency Conversion applies. 3. (a) Withdrawals made within two calendar months prior to any Principal Payment Date shall, for the purposes solely of calculating the principal amounts payable on any Principal Payment Date, be treated as withdrawn and outstanding on the second Principal Payment Date following the date of withdrawal and shall be repayable on each Principal Payment Date commencing with the second Principal Payment Date following the date of withdrawal and shall be repayable on each Principal Payment Date commencing with the second Principal Payment Date following the date of withdrawal.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (a) of this paragraph 3, if at any time the Bank shall adopt a due date billing system under which invoices are issued on or after the respective Principal Payment Date, the provisions of such subparagraph shall no longer apply to any withdrawals made after the adoption of such billing system.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Schedule, upon a Currency Conversion of all or any portion of the withdrawn principal amount of the Loan to an Approved Currency, the amount so converted in said Approved Currency that shall be repayable on any Principal Payment Date occurring during the Conversion Period, shall be determined by the Bank by multiplying such amount in its currency of denomination immediately prior to said Conversion by either: (i) the exchange rate that reflects the amounts of principal in said Approved Currency payable by the Bank under the Currency Hedge Transaction relating to said Conversion; or (ii) if the Bank so determines in accordance with the Conversion Guidelines, the exchange rate component of the Screen Rate.

5. If the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time shall be denominated in more than one Loan Currency, the provisions of this Schedule shall apply separately to the amount denominated in each Loan Currency, so as to produce a separate amortization schedule for each such amount.

## **SCHEDULE 4**

## Procurement

## Section I. Procurement of Goods and Works

Part A: General

Goods and works shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I of the "Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" published by the Bank in January 1995 and revised in January and August 1996, September 1997 and January 1999 (the Guidelines) and the following provisions of Section I of this Schedule.

#### Part B: International Competitive Bidding

1. Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, goods and works shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Guidelines and paragraph 5 of Appendix 1 thereto.

2. The following provisions shall apply to goods and works to be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this Part B.

(a) <u>Grouping of Contracts</u>

To the extent practicable, contracts for goods shall be grouped in bid packages estimated to cost \$350,000 equivalent or more each.

(b) <u>Preference for Domestically Manufactured Goods</u>

The provisions of paragraphs 2.54 and 2.55 of the Guidelines and Appendix 2 thereto shall apply to goods manufactured in the territory of the Borrower.

## Part C: Other Procurement Procedures

1. National Competitive Bidding

(a) Goods estimated to cost less than \$350,000 equivalent per contract, up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$500,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts

awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of the Guidelines, using standard bidding documents satisfactory to the Bank.

(b) Without limitation to any other provisions set forth in this Schedule or the Guidelines, the following shall apply to the procurement of goods to be undertaken pursuant to this Part C.1:

- (i) All documents pertaining to a bid shall be submitted at the same time. Bidders shall not be required to submit bid securities or other documents in advance and separately from their bids.
- (ii) Contracts shall be awarded to the bidder who meets the appropriate standards of capability and resources and whose bid has been determined: (A) to be substantially responsive to the bidding documents; and (B) to offer the lowest evaluated cost.
- (iii) Contracts shall not be evaluated imposing restrictions related to the budget available for the procurement of the goods in question.
- (iv) Foreign contractors or suppliers shall not be required to have a representative in Chile as a condition for bidding.

# 2. <u>International or National Shopping</u>

Goods estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent per contract, up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$300,000 equivalent, may be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of international/national shopping procedures in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 of the Guidelines.

## 3. <u>Procurement of Small Works</u>

Works estimated to cost less than \$350,000 equivalent per contract, up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$250,000 equivalent, may be procured under lump-sum, fixed-price contracts awarded on the basis of quotations obtained from three (3) qualified domestic contractors in response to a written invitation. The invitation shall include a detailed description of the works, including basic specifications, the required completion date, a basic form of agreement acceptable to the Bank, and relevant drawings, where applicable. The award shall be made to the contractor who offers the lowest price quotation for the required work, and who has the experience and resources to complete the contract successfully.

## Part D: Review by the Bank of Procurement Decisions

1. <u>Procurement Planning</u>

Prior to the issuance of any invitations to bid for contracts, the proposed procurement plan for the Project shall be furnished to the Bank for its review and approval, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines. Procurement of all goods and works shall be undertaken in accordance with such procurement plan as shall have been approved by the Bank, and with the provisions of said paragraph 1.

- 2. <u>Prior Review</u>
  - (a) With respect to:
    - (i) each contract procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in B.1 above; and
    - (ii) the first two contracts procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in C.1 above,

the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

(b) With respect to the first two contracts for goods and works procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in C.2 and C.3 above, the following procedures shall apply:

- prior to the selection of any supplier or execution of any contract under shopping procedures, the Borrower shall provide to the Bank a report on the comparison and evaluation of quotations received;
- (ii) prior to the execution of any contract procured under shopping procedures, the Borrower shall provide to the Bank a copy of the specifications and the draft contract; and
- (iii) the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2(f), 2(g) and 3 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

3. <u>Post Review</u>

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Guidelines shall apply.

## Section II. Employment of Consultants

#### Part A: General

(a) Consultants' services shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Sections I and IV of the "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" published by the Bank in January 1997 and revised in September 1997, January 1999 and May 2002 (the Consultant Guidelines), paragraph 1 of Appendix 1 thereto, Appendix 2 thereto and the following provisions of Section II of this Schedule.

(b) In the procurement of consultants' services, without any limitation to other provisions set forth in this Schedule or the Consultant Guidelines, the following shall apply:

- (i) foreign consultants shall not be required to have a representative in Chile as a condition of participation in the selection process;
- (ii) the Borrower shall publicly advertise requests of expressions of interest as the basis for developing short lists of firms;
- (iii) consulting firms shall be selected on the basis of short-lists and not subject to an open competition selection process; and
- (iv) the evaluation process and the related documents shall be kept confidential until the contract is awarded.

#### Part B: Quality- and Cost-based Selection

1. Except as otherwise provided in Part C of this Section, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of Section II of the Consultant Guidelines, and the provisions of paragraphs 3.13 through 3.18 thereof applicable to quality- and cost-based selection of consultants.

2. The following provision shall apply to consultants' services to be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph: the short list of consultants, estimated to cost less than \$500,000 equivalent per contract, may comprise entirely national consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2.7 and footnote 8 of the Consultant Guidelines.

## Part C: Other Procedures for the Selection of Consultants

## 1. Least-cost Selection

Services for simple assignments estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent per contract may be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.1 and 3.6 of the Consultant Guidelines.

## 2. <u>Individual Consultants</u>

Services of individual consultants for tasks that meet the requirements set forth in paragraph 5.1 of the Consultant Guidelines and not exceeding \$2,500,000 equivalent in the aggregate shall be procured under contracts awarded in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 5.1 through 5.3 of the Consultant Guidelines.

## Part D: Review by the Bank of the Selection of Consultants

# 1. <u>Selection Planning</u>

A plan for the selection of consultants, which shall include contract cost estimates, contract packaging, and applicable selection criteria and procedures, shall be furnished to the Bank for its review and approval prior to the issuance to consultants of any requests for proposals. Such plan shall be updated every twelve months during the execution of the Project, and each such updating shall be furnished to the Bank for its review and approval. Selection of all consultants' services shall be undertaken in accordance with such selection plan (as updated from time to time) as shall have been approved by the Bank.

## 2. <u>Prior Review</u>

(a) With respect to each contract for the employment of consulting firms procured in accordance with the procedures referred to in B.1 above and estimated to cost the equivalent of \$100,000 or more, the procedures set forth in paragraphs 2, 3 and 5 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

(b) With respect to each contract for the employment of individual consultants estimated to cost the equivalent of \$50,000 or more, the report on the comparison of the qualifications and experience of candidates, the qualifications, experience, terms of reference and terms of employment of the consultants shall be furnished to the Bank for its prior review and approval. The contract shall be awarded only after the said approval shall have been given. The provisions of paragraph 3 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall also apply to such contracts.

# 3. <u>Post Review</u>

With respect to each contract not governed by paragraph 2 of this Part, the procedures set forth in paragraph 4 of Appendix 1 to the Consultant Guidelines shall apply.

## **SCHEDULE 5**

## **Special Account**

1. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1) through (5) set forth in the table in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to this Agreement;

(b) the term "eligible expenditures" means expenditures in respect of the reasonable cost of goods, works and services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan allocated from time to time to the eligible Categories in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Agreement; and

(c) the term "Authorized Allocation" means the amount of \$1,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of this Schedule.

2. Payments out of the Special Account shall be made exclusively for eligible expenditures in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule.

3. After the Bank has received evidence satisfactory to it that the Special Account has been duly opened, withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation and subsequent withdrawals to replenish the Special Account shall be made as follows:

(a) For withdrawals of the Authorized Allocation, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank a request or requests for deposit into the Special Account of an amount or amounts which do not exceed the aggregate amount of the Authorized Allocation. On the basis of such request or requests, the Bank shall, on behalf of the Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit into the Special Account such amount or amounts as the Borrower shall have requested.

- (b) (i) For replenishment of the Special Account, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank requests for deposits into the Special Account at such intervals as the Bank shall specify.
  - (ii) Prior to or at the time of each such request, the Borrower shall furnish to the Bank the documents and other evidence required pursuant to paragraph 4 of this Schedule for the payment or payments in respect of which replenishment is requested. On the basis of each such request, the Bank shall, on behalf of the

Borrower, withdraw from the Loan Account and deposit into the Special Account such amount as the Borrower shall have requested and as shall have been shown by said documents and other evidence to have been paid out of the Special Account for eligible expenditures. All such deposits shall be withdrawn by the Bank from the Loan Account under the respective eligible Categories, and in the respective equivalent amounts, as shall have been justified by said documents and other evidence.

4. For each payment made by the Borrower out of the Special Account, the Borrower shall, at such time as the Bank shall reasonably request, furnish to the Bank such documents and other evidence showing that such payment was made exclusively for eligible expenditures.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 of this Schedule, the Bank shall not be required to make further deposits into the Special Account:

(a) if, at any time, the Bank shall have determined that all further withdrawals should be made by the Borrower directly from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the General Conditions and paragraph (a) of Section 2.02 of this Agreement;

(b) if the Borrower shall have failed to furnish to the Bank, within the period of time specified in Section 4.01 (b) (ii) of this Agreement, any of the audit reports required to be furnished to the Bank pursuant to said Section in respect of the audit of the records and accounts for the Special Account;

(c) if, at any time, the Bank shall have notified the Borrower of its intention to suspend in whole or in part the right of the Borrower to make withdrawals from the Loan Account pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.02 of the General Conditions; or

(d) once the total unwithdrawn amount of the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories, minus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions, shall equal the equivalent of twice the amount of the Authorized Allocation.

Thereafter, withdrawal from the Loan Account of the remaining unwithdrawn amount of the Loan allocated to the eligible Categories shall follow such procedures as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower. Such further withdrawals shall be made only after and to the extent that the Bank shall have been satisfied that all such amounts remaining on deposit in the Special Account as of the date of such notice will be utilized in making payments for eligible expenditures. 6. (a) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any payment out of the Special Account: (i) was made for an expenditure or in an amount not eligible pursuant to paragraph 2 of this Schedule; or (ii) was not justified by the evidence furnished to the Bank, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank: (A) provide such additional evidence as the Bank may request; or (B) deposit into the Special Account (or, if the Bank shall so request, refund to the Bank) an amount equal to the amount of such payment or the portion thereof not so eligible or justified. Unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, no further deposit by the Bank into the Special Account shall be made until the Borrower has provided such evidence or made such deposit or refund, as the case may be.

(b) If the Bank shall have determined at any time that any amount outstanding in the Special Account will not be required to cover further payments for eligible expenditures, the Borrower shall, promptly upon notice from the Bank, refund to the Bank such outstanding amount.

(c) The Borrower may, upon notice to the Bank, refund to the Bank all or any portion of the funds on deposit in the Special Account.

(d) Refunds to the Bank made pursuant to paragraphs 6 (a), (b) and (c) of this Schedule shall be credited to the Loan Account for subsequent withdrawal or for cancellation in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Agreement, including the General Conditions.