LOAN NUMBER 4805 KZ

Loan Agreement

(North-South Electricity Transmission Project)

between

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

and

JOINT STOCK COMPANY "KAZAKHSTAN ELECTRICITY GRID OPERATING COMPANY"

Dated

, 2005

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LOAN AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT, dated , 2005, between INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT (the Bank) and JOINT STOCK COMPANY "KAZAKHSTAN ELECTRICITY GRID OPERATING COMPANY" (the Borrower or KEGOC).

WHEREAS (A) The Republic of Kazakhstan (the Guarantor) and the Borrower, having been satisfied as to the feasibility and priority of the project described in Schedule 2 to this Agreement (the Project), have requested the Bank to assist in the financing of Parts A and D of the Project;

(B) by an agreement of even date herewith between the Guarantor and the Bank (the Guarantee Agreement), the Guarantor has agreed to guarantee the obligations of the Borrower in respect of the loan provided for in Article II of this Agreement (the Loan) and to undertake such other obligations as set forth in the Guarantee Agreement;

(C) the Borrower intends to contract from European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) a loan in an amount approximately six million Dollars (\$6,000,000) (the EBRD Loan) to assist in financing Part A of the Project on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and EBRD (the EBRD Loan Agreement);

(D) the Borrower intends to contract from Development Bank of Kazakhstan (DBK) a loan in an amount approximately fifty three million four hundred thousand Dollars (\$53,400,000) (the DBK Loan) to assist in financing of Parts B and C of the Project on the terms and conditions set forth in an agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and DBK (the DBK Loan Agreement); and

(E) Pursuant to Section 9.03(b) of the "General Conditions Applicable to Loan and Guarantee Agreements of the Bank" dated May 30, 1995 (as amended through May 1, 2004) and incorporated by reference into this Agreement, the Borrower has agreed to ensure that any lien granted to EBRD or DBK to secure the EBRD loan or the DBK loan will equally and ratably secure the Loan.

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

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 Single Currency Loans" of the Bank, dated May 30, 1995 (as amended through May 1, 2004) with the modifications set forth below (the General Conditions) constitute an integral part of this Agreement:

(a) Section 5.08 of the General Conditions is amended to read as follows:

"Section 5.08. Treatment of Taxes

Except as otherwise provided in the Loan Agreement, the proceeds of the Loan may be withdrawn to pay for taxes levied by, or in the territory of, the Borrower or the Guarantor on the goods or services to be financed under the Loan, or on their importation, manufacture, procurement or supply. Financing of such taxes is subject to the Bank's policy of requiring economy and efficiency in the use of the proceeds of its loans. To that end, if the Bank shall at any time determine that the amount of any taxes levied on or in respect of any item to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan is excessive or otherwise unreasonable, the Bank may, by notice to the Borrower, adjust the percentage for withdrawal set forth or referred to in respect of such item in the Loan Agreement as required to be consistent with such policy of the Bank.

(b) Section 6.03(c) of the General Conditions is amended by replacing the words "corrupt or fraudulent" with the words "corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive".

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

(a) "Environmental Management Plan" means the plan, satisfactory to the Bank, adopted by the Borrower on July 4, 2005, describing the environmental mitigation, monitoring, and institutional measures under the Project and referred to in paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to this Agreement;

(b) "Financial Monitoring Report" or "FMR" means each report prepared in accordance with Section 4.02 of this Agreement;

(c) "KEGOC" means the Joint Stock Company "Kazakhstan Electricity Grid Operating Company", a legal entity established pursuant to a Decree of the Government of the Guarantor No. 1188 dated September 28, 1996, and existing under the laws of the Guarantor, and includes its successors and permitted assignees;

(d) "Project Management Department" means the project management department established pursuant to the Borrower's Resolution dated May 27, 1999, for managing activities under the Bank's Loan (Loan Number 4526 KZ) for the Electricity Transmission Rehabilitation Project, which will be responsible for the managing of activities under Parts A and D of the Project;

(e) "Project Implementation Plan" means the project implementation plan referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 5 to this Agreement, as said plan may be amended from time to time with the concurrence of the Bank;

(f) "Procurement Plan" means the Borrower's procurement plan, dated September 21, 2005, covering the initial eighteen (18) month period (or longer) of Parts A and D of the Project implementation, as the same shall be updated from time to time in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.02 to this Agreement, to cover succeeding eighteen (18) month periods (or longer) of Parts A and D of the Project implementation; and

(g) "Special Account" means the account referred to in Section 2.02(b) 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 one hundred million Dollars (\$100,000,000).

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 Parts A and D of the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan.

(b) The Borrower may, for the purposes of Parts A and D of the Project, open and maintain in Dollars a separate special deposit account in a commercial bank on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Bank, including 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 6 to this Agreement. Section 2.03. The Closing Date shall be December 31, 2009, or such later date as the Bank shall establish. The Bank shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Guarantor 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, subject to any waiver of a portion of such fee as may be determined by the Bank from time to time. Such fee shall be payable not later than sixty (60) days after the Effective Date.

Section 2.05. The Borrower shall pay to the Bank a commitment charge at the rate of three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%) per annum on the principal amount of the Loan not withdrawn from time to time.

Section 2.06. (a) The Borrower shall pay interest on the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time, at a rate for each Interest Period equal to LIBOR Base Rate plus LIBOR Total Spread.

- (b) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) "Interest Period" means the initial period from and including the date of this Agreement to, but excluding, the first Interest Payment Date occurring thereafter, and after the initial period, each period from and including an Interest Payment Date to, but excluding the next following Interest Payment Date.
 - (ii) "Interest Payment Date" means any date specified in Section 2.07 of this Agreement.
 - (iii) "LIBOR Base Rate" means, for each Interest Period, the London interbank offered rate for six-month deposits in Dollar for value the first day of such Interest Period (or, in the case of the initial Interest Period, for value the Interest Payment Date occurring on or next preceding the first day of such Interest Period), as reasonably determined by the Bank and expressed as a percentage per annum.
 - (iv) "LIBOR Total Spread" means, for each Interest Period: (A) three-fourths of one percent (3/4 of 1%); (B) minus (or plus) the weighted average margin, for such Interest Period, below (or above) the London interbank offered rates, or other reference rates, for six-month deposits, in respect of the Bank's outstanding borrowings or portions thereof allocated by the Bank to fund single currency loans or portions thereof made by it that

include the Loan; as reasonably determined by the Bank and expressed as a percentage per annum.

(c) The Bank shall notify the Borrower and the Guarantor of LIBOR Base Rate and LIBOR Total Spread for each Interest Period, promptly upon the determination thereof.

(d) Whenever, in light of changes in market practice affecting the determination of the interest rates referred to in this Section 2.06, the Bank determines that it is in the interest of its borrowers as a whole and of the Bank to apply a basis for determining the interest rates applicable to the Loan other than as provided in said Section, the Bank may modify the basis for determining the interest rates applicable to the Borrower and the Guarantor of the new basis. The new basis shall become effective on the expiry of the notice period unless the Borrower or the Guarantor notifies the Bank during said period of its objection thereto, in which case said modification shall not apply to the Loan.

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

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

ARTICLE III

Execution of the Project

Section 3.01. (a) The Borrower declares its commitment to the objectives of the Project, and, to this end, shall carry out Parts A and D of the Project with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with appropriate administrative, financial, engineering, public utility, and environmental practices, and shall provide, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources required for Parts A and D of the Project.

(b) Without limitation upon the provisions of paragraph (a) of this Section and except as the Borrower and the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall carry out Parts A and D of the Project in accordance with the Implementation Program set forth in Schedule 5 to this Agreement.

Section 3.02. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, procurement of the goods, works and consultants' services required for Parts A and D of 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.

(b) The Borrower shall update the Procurement Plan in accordance with guidelines acceptable to the Bank, and furnish such update to the Bank not later than twelve (12) months after the date of the preceding Procurement Plan, for the Bank's approval.

Section 3.03. For the purposes of Section 9.07 of the General Conditions and without limitation thereto, the Borrower shall:

(a) prepare, on the basis of guidelines acceptable to the Bank, and furnish to the Bank not later than six (6) months after the Closing Date or such later date as may be agreed for this purpose between the Borrower and the Bank, a plan designed to ensure the continued achievement of Parts A and D of the Project objectives; and

(b) afford the Bank a reasonable opportunity to exchange views with the Borrower on said plan.

ARTICLE IV

Financial Covenants

Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall maintain 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 its operations and financial condition and to register separately the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Project.

- (b) The Borrower shall:
 - have its financial statements (balance sheets, statements of income and expenses and related statements) 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 (6) 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:

- (i) retain, until at least one (1) 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 paragraph 2(b) of Schedule 5 to this Agreement, the Borrower shall prepare and furnish to the Bank a financial monitoring report (FMR), 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 the 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 forty-five (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 forty-five (45) days after each subsequent calendar quarter, and shall cover such calendar quarter.

Section 4.03. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall not incur any debt, unless the net revenues of the Borrower for the audit fiscal year immediately preceding, the date of such incurrence or for a later twelve-month (12) period ended prior to the date of such incurrence, whichever is the greater, shall be at least 1.2 times the estimated maximum debt service requirements of the Borrower for any succeeding fiscal year on all debt of the Borrower, including the debt to be incurred.

(b) If any projection shows that the Borrower would not meet the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section 4.03 for the Borrower's fiscal years covered by such review, the Borrower shall promptly take all necessary measures in order to meet such requirements.

- (c) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) The term "debt" means any indebtedness of KEGOC maturing by its terms more than one (1) year after the date on which it is originally incurred.
 - (ii) Debt shall be deemed to be incurred: (A) under a loan contract or agreement or other instrument providing for such debt or for the modification of its terms of payment on the date of such contract, agreement or instrument; and (B) under a guarantee agreement, on the date the agreement providing for such guarantee has been entered into.
 - (iii) The term "net revenues" means the difference between:
 - (A) the sum of revenues from all sources related to operations adjusted to take account of KEGOC's rates in effect at the time of the incurrence of debt even though they were not in effect during the twelve-month (12) period to which such revenues relate and net nonoperating income; and
 - (B) the sum of all expenses related to operations including power purchase costs, fuel costs, administration, adequate maintenance, taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, but excluding provision for depreciation, other non-cash operating charges and interest and other charges on debt.
 - (iv) The term "net non-operating income" means the difference between:

- (A) revenues from all sources other than those related to operations; and
- (B) expenses, including taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, incurred in the generation of revenues in (A) above.
- (v) The term "debt service requirements" means the aggregate amount of repayments (including sinking fund payments, if any) of, and interest and other charges on, debt.
- (vi) Whenever for the purposes of this Section, it shall be necessary to value, in terms of the currency of the Borrower, debt payable in another currency, such valuation shall be made on the basis of the prevailing lawful rate of exchange at which such other currency is, at the time of such valuation, obtainable for the purposes of servicing such debt, or, in the absence of such rate, on the basis of a rate of exchange acceptable to the Bank.

Section 4.04. (a) Except as the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Borrower shall: (i) produce, for each of its fiscal years, funds from internal sources equivalent to not less than twenty percent (20%) for the Borrower's fiscal year 2006 and in each succeeding fiscal year of the average of the Borrower's capital expenditures incurred, or expected to be incurred, for that year, the previous fiscal year and the next following year; and (ii) maintain beginning with the fiscal year 2006, a ratio of current assets to current liabilities of not less than 1.4.

(b) If any projection shows that the Borrower would not meet the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section 4.04 for the Borrower's fiscal years covered by such review, the Borrower shall promptly take all necessary measures in order to meet such requirements.

- (c) For the purposes of this Section:
 - (i) The term "funds from internal sources" means the difference between:
 - (A) the sum of revenues from all sources related to operations, consumer deposits and consumer contributions in aid of construction, net non-operating income and any reduction in working capital other than cash; and
 - (B) the sum of all expenses related to operations, including power purchase costs, fuel costs, administration,

adequate maintenance and taxes and payments in lieu of taxes (excluding provision for depreciation and other non-cash operating charges and income taxes), debt service requirements, all cash dividends and other cash outflows other than capital expenditures, increase in working capital other than cash.

- (ii) The term "working capital other than cash" means the difference between current assets excluding cash and current liabilities at the end of each fiscal year.
- (iii) The term "current assets excluding cash" means all assets other than cash which could in the ordinary course of business be converted into cash within twelve (12) months, including accounts receivable, marketable securities, inventories and prepaid expenses properly chargeable to operating expenses within the next fiscal year.
- (iv) The term "current liabilities" means all liabilities which will become due and payable or could under circumstances then existing be called for payment within twelve (12) months, including accounts payable, customer advances, debt service requirements, taxes and payments in lieu of taxes, and dividends.
- (v) The term "capital expenditures" means all expenditures incurred on account of fixed assets, including interest charged to construction, related to operations, averaged over a three (3) year period covering the year concerned and the year preceding and the year succeeding such year.
- (vi) The term "current assets" means cash, all assets which could in the ordinary course of business be converted into cash within twelve (12) months, including accounts receivable, marketable securities, inventories and prepaid expenses properly chargeable to operating expenses within the next fiscal year.

Section 4.05. The Borrower shall not grant new tariff discounts on transmission services except for those that are based on commercial considerations of the Borrower. In no case shall discounted services be provided for transmission volumes which will either displace higher-revenue volumes or require new investments in transmission capacity.

Section 4.06. The Borrower shall provide non-discriminatory third-party access to the North-South transmission line, including access to export-and international transit-

related transmission services, based on published tariffs, applicable to all customers, and to be applied fairly and without discrimination between customers.

ARTICLE V

Other Covenants

Section 5.01. The Borrower shall:

(a) carry on its operations and conduct its affairs in accordance with sound administrative, financial, engineering, environmental, and public utility practices under the supervision of qualified and experienced management assisted by competent staff in adequate numbers;

(b) at all times operate and maintain its plants, machinery, equipment and other property, and from time to time, promptly as needed, make all necessary repairs and renewals thereof, all in accordance with sound engineering, financial and public utility practices; and

(c) take out and maintain with responsible insurers, or make other provision satisfactory to the Bank for, insurance against such risks and in such amounts as shall be consistent with appropriate practice.

ARTICLE VI

Remedies of the Bank

Section 6.01. Pursuant to Section 6.02(p) of the General Conditions, the following additional events are specified:

(a) The EBRD Loan Agreement or the DBK Loan Agreement, as the case may be, shall have failed to become effective by August 31, 2006, or such later date as the Bank may agree; provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Bank that adequate funds for Parts A, B and C of the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

- (b) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) of this paragraph:
 - (A) the right of the Borrower to withdraw the proceeds of the EBRD Loan or the DBK Loan, as the case may be, made to the Borrower for the financing of the Project shall have been suspended, canceled or terminated in whole or

in part, pursuant to the terms of the EBRD Loan Agreement or the DBK Loan Agreement, as the case may be; or

- (B) the EBRD Loan or the DBK Loan, as the case may be, shall have become due and payable prior to the agreed maturity thereof.
- (ii) Sub-paragraph (i) of this paragraph shall not apply if the Borrower establishes to the satisfaction of the Bank that: (A) such suspension, cancellation, termination or pre-maturing is not caused by the failure of the Borrower to perform any of its obligations under such agreement; and (B) adequate funds for Parts A, B and C of the Project are available to the Borrower from other sources on terms and conditions consistent with the obligations of the Borrower under this Agreement.

Section 6.02. Pursuant to Section 7.01(k) of the General Conditions, the following additional event is specified, namely, that the event specified in paragraph (b)(i)(B) of Section 6.01 of this Agreement shall occur, subject to the proviso of paragraph (b)(ii) of that Section.

ARTICLE VII

Termination

Section 7.01. The date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement is hereby specified for the purposes of Section 12.04 of the General Conditions.

ARTICLE VIII

Representative of the Borrower; Addresses

Section 8.01. The President of the Borrower is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 11.03 of the General Conditions.

Section 8.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 11.01 of the General Conditions:

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

For the Borrower:

Joint Stock Company "Kazakhstan Electricity Grid Operating Company" 7 Bogenbay Batyra Street, Astana 010000 Republic of Kazakhstan

Telephone:

Facsimile:

7 (3172) 970159

7 (3172) 970455

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

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

By

Authorized Representative

JOINT STOCK COMPANY "KAZAKHSTAN ELECTRICITY GRID OPERATING COMPANY"

By

Authorized Representative

Withdrawal of the Proceeds of the Loan

1. 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:

Category	Amount of the Loan Allocated (Expressed in Dollars)	% of Expenditures to be Financed
For Parts A and D of the Project		
(1) Goods and Works	99,500,000	100%
(2) Consultants' Services	<u>500,000</u>	100%
TOTAL	<u>100,000,000</u>	

2. 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; and (b) any Category set forth in the table in paragraph 1 of this Schedule unless and until the Borrower shall have paid to the Bank in full the front-end fee referred to in Section 2.04 of this Agreement.

3. The Bank may require withdrawals from the Loan Account to be made on the basis of statements of expenditure for expenditures for goods, works and consulting services not subject to the Bank's Prior Review, as stipulated in the Procurement Plan, under such terms and conditions as the Bank shall specify by notice to the Borrower.

Description of the Project

The objectives of the Project are: (i) to ensure that business enterprises and households in Southern Kazakhstan have access to reliable, cost effective and high quality supply of electricity; and (ii) to support regional integration with respect to optimizing the use of energy resources through international electricity trade.

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: Construction of 500 kV Single Circuit Overhead Transmission Line

Construction of new 475 km 500 kV single circuit overhead electricity transmission line from substation "Ekibastuz" (1150/500 kV) to substation "Agadyr" (500 kV), including a fiber optic communication line.

Part B: Extension/Modernization of 1150/500 kV "Ekibastuz" Substation

Extension of substation "Ekibastuz" (1150/500 kV) by three (3) bays and installation of three (3) shunt reactors to accommodate the new 500 kV link with the "Agadyr" substation, including installation of circuit breakers, disconnect switches, current transformers, voltage transformers, substation automation and protective relaying, and a power line carrier.

Part C: Extension/Modernization of 500 kV "Agadyr" Substation

Extension of substation "Agadyr" by six (6) bays and installation of three (3) shunt reactors to accommodate the new 500 kV link with the "Ekibastuz" (1150/500 kV) and "YuKGRES" substations, including installation of circuit breakers, disconnect switches, current and voltage transformers, substation automation and protective relaying, and a power line carrier.

Part D: Technical Assistance

Provision of consultants' services for: (i) procurement and management of the construction of 500 kV transmission line from substation "Ekibastuz" (1150/500kV) to substation "Agadyr"; and (ii) further reform of the electricity transmission sector.

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The Project is expected to be completed by June 30, 2009.

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SCHEDULE 3

Amortization Schedule

	Payment of Principal (Expressed in
Date Payment Due	Dollars)*
On each April 15 and October 15	
beginning April 15, 2011	
through April 15 2022	4,165,000
On October 15, 2022	4,205,000

^{*} The figures in this column represent the amount in Dollars to be repaid, except as provided in Section 4.04 (d) of the General Conditions.

Procurement

Section I. General

A. All goods, works and services (other than consultants' services) for Parts A and D of the project shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Section I of the "Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits" dated May 2004 (the Procurement Guidelines), and with the provisions of this Schedule.

B. All consultants' services for Parts A and D of the Project shall be procured in accordance with Sections I and IV of the "Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers" dated May 2004 (the Consultant Guidelines), and with the provisions of this Schedule.

C. The capitalized terms used below in this Schedule to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the Bank of particular contracts, have the meanings ascribed to them in the Procurement Guidelines, or Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.

Section II. Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods, Works and Services for Parts A and D of the Project (other than Consultants' Services)

A. <u>International Competitive Bidding.</u> Except as otherwise provided in Part B of this Section, contracts shall be awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

Section III. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services for Parts A and D of the Project

A. <u>Quality- and Cost-based Selection</u>. Except as otherwise provided in Part B of this Section, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection. For purposes of paragraph 2.7 of the Consultant Guidelines, the short list of consultants for services estimated to cost less than \$100,000 equivalent per contract may comprise entirely national consultants.

B. <u>Other Procedures</u>

1. <u>Single Source Selection</u>. Services for tasks in circumstances which meet the requirements of paragraph 3.10 of the Consultant Guidelines for Single Source Selection, may, with the Bank's prior agreement, be procured in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3.9 through 3.13 of the Consultant Guidelines.

Section IV. Review by the Bank of Procurement Decisions

The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the Bank's Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the Bank.

Implementation Program

1. The Borrower shall carry out Parts A and D of the Project in accordance with the Project Implementation Plan, agreed with the Bank, in a manner satisfactory to the Bank.

2. The Borrower shall:

(a) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate on an ongoing basis, in accordance with the indicators acceptable to the Bank, the carrying out Parts A and D of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof;

(b) prepare, under terms of reference satisfactory to the Bank, and furnish to the Bank, on or about June 30, 2007, a report integrating the results of the monitoring and evaluation activities performed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section, on the progress achieved in the carrying out Parts A and D of the Project during the period preceding the date of said report and setting out the measures recommended to ensure the efficient carrying out Parts A and D of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof during the period following such date; and

(c) review with the Bank, by October 30, 2007, or such later date as the Bank shall request, the report referred to in paragraph (b) of this Section, and, thereafter, take all measures required to ensure the efficient completion of Parts A and D of the Project and the achievement of the objectives thereof, based on the conclusions and recommendations of the said report and the Bank's views on the matter.

3. The Borrower shall, until completion of Parts A and D of the Project, maintain the Project Management Department to assist it in carrying out and managing Parts A and D of the Project, and shall entrust it with such functions and powers, and provide such funds, facilities and resources, including qualified and experienced staff in adequate numbers, as may be deemed necessary by the Bank.

4. The Borrower shall implement the Environmental Management Plan in a manner satisfactory to the Bank and shall provide the Bank with a summary status of the implementation (including results from environmental monitoring) as part of normal Project reporting or when specifically requested by the Bank.

Special Account

1. For the purposes of this Schedule:

(a) the term "eligible Categories" means Categories (1) and (2) 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 Parts A and D of 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 an amount equivalent to \$10,000,000 to be withdrawn from the Loan Account and deposited into the Special Account pursuant to paragraph 3(a) of this Schedule, provided, however, that unless the Bank shall otherwise agree, the Authorized Allocation shall be limited to an amount equivalent to \$5,000,000 until the aggregate amount of withdrawals from the Loan Account plus the total amount of all outstanding special commitments entered into by the Bank pursuant to Section 5.02 of the General Conditions shall be equal to or exceed the equivalent of \$15,000,000.

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.