

Global Environment Facility

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February 1, 1999

Dear Council Members,

In reference to the proposed work program transmitted to the GEF Council for approval by mail on December 16, 1998, I am pleased to inform you that the following Council decision is approved:

The Council reviewed the proposed work program transmitted on December 16, 1998, and approves it subject to the Members' comments submitted to the Secretariat.

The Council finds that each project presented to it as part of the work program (i) is or would be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the Implementing Agency, provided that the CEO circulates to the Council Members, prior to endorsement, draft final project documents fully incorporating the Council's comments on the work program accompanied by a satisfactory explanation by the CEO of how such comments and comments of the STAP reviewer have been addressed and a confirmation by the CEO that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF policies and procedures.

Sincerely, M. Marin for MTE

cc: Alternates, all those invited to Council meetings