

March 16, 2017

His Excellency Mr. Fausto Herrera Minister Ministry of Finance Quito, Ecuador

Re: ECUADOR: Risk Mitigation and Emergency Recovery Project - IBRD Loan 8591-EC

Additional Instructions: AMENDED Disbursement Letter

I refer to the Loan Agreement between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the "Bank") and the Republic of Ecuador (the "Borrower") for the above-referenced project, dated April 22, 2016. The Agreement provides that the Bank may issue additional instructions regarding the withdrawal of the proceeds of Loan 8591-EC ("Loan"). This letter ("Disbursement Letter"), as revised from time to time, constitutes the additional instructions.

This letter is the First Restatement of the Disbursement Letter dated April 22, 2016 for the above referenced Project. This letter reinstates: a) Section II, paragraph (vi) to adjust the Designated Account ceiling; and b) Section III, paragraph (i) to require the submission of three-month forecast for Advances following the sample format included as Attachment. All other provisions and attachments of the Disbursement Letter dated April 22, 2016, except as amended, shall remain in force and effect.

The World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects, dated May 1, 2006, ("Disbursement Guidelines"), are an integral part of the Disbursement Letter. The manner in which the provisions in the Disbursement Guidelines apply to the Loan is specified below. Sections and subsections in parentheses below refer to the relevant sections and subsections in the Disbursement Guidelines and, unless otherwise defined in this letter, the capitalized terms used have the meanings ascribed to them in the Disbursement Guidelines.

I. Disbursement Arrangements

- (i) Disbursement Methods (section 2). The following Disbursement Methods may be used under the Loan:
 - Reimbursement
 - Advances
 - Direct Payments
- (ii) Disbursement Deadline Date (subsection 3.7). The Disbursement Deadline Date is four (4) months after the Closing Date specified in the Loan Agreement. Any changes to this date will be notified by the Bank.
- (iii) Disbursement Conditions (subsection 3.8). Please refer to the Disbursement Condition(s) specified in of the Loan Agreement.

II. Withdrawal of Loan Proceeds

(i) Authorized Signatures (subsection 3.1). A letter should be furnished to the Bank at the address indicated below providing the name(s) and specimen signature(s) of the official(s) authorized to sign Applications:

The World Bank 1818 H Street, NW Washington D.C., 20433, USA Attention; Alberto Rodriguez, Country Director

(ii) Applications (subsections 3.2 - 3.3). Please provide completed Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, through the World Bank's Client Connection, web-based portal, following the instructions for electronic delivery. In the case the Borrower does not have internet access, the World Bank may permit the delivery of Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, in accordance with subsection 3.3, to the following address:

Banco Mundral SCN, Quadra 02, Lote A Edition Corporate Finance Center 7° ander 70712-900 Brasilia, D.F., Brazil Attention: Loan Operations

- fiii) Electronic Delivery (subsection 3.4). The Bank may permit the Borrower to electronically deliver to the Bank Applications (with supporting documents) through the Bank's Client Connection, web-based portal. The option to deliver Applications to the Bank by electronic means may be effected if: (a) the Borrower has designated in writing, pursuant to the terms of subparagraph (i) of this Section, its officials who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications and to receive secure identification credentials ("SIDC") from the Bank for the purpose of delivering such Applications by electronic means: and (b) all such officials designated by the Borrower have registered as users of Client Connection. If the Bank agrees, the Bank will provide the Borrower with SIDC for the designated officials. Following which, the designated officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing Form 2380, which is accessible through Client Connection (bttps://clientconnection.worldbank.org). The Borrower may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Bank reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disclose the electronic delivery of Applications by the Borrower.
- (iv) Terms and Conditions of Use of SIDC to Process Applications. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Borrower confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation ("Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials"); and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

- (v) Minimum Value of Applications (subsection 3.5). The Minimum Value of Applications is US\$ 500,000 for Direct Payments and Reimbursements.
- (vi) Advances (sections 5 and 6) to Ministry of Finance MoF
 - Type of Designated Account (subsection 5.3): Segregated
 - Currency of Designated Account (subsection 5.4): United States Dollars (USD)
 - Financial Institution at which the Designated Account Will Be Opened (subsection 5.5): Central Bank of Ecuador
 - Ceiling (subsection 6.1): Variable ceiling, based on a three-month forecast of expenditures

III. Reporting on Use of Loan Proceeds

- (i) Supporting Documentation (section 4). Supporting documentation should be provided with each application for withdrawal as set out below:
 - For requests for Reimbursement, Advances and for reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account:
 - Three-month forecast in the form attached, <u>applicable when requesting an</u> advance;
 - Statement of Expenditures for all expenditures; and
 - A reconciliation of the Designated Account with a copy of the bank statement, applicable only when reporting eligible expenditures paid from the Designated Account.
 - For requests for Direct Payment: Records evidencing eligible expenditures (e.g., copies
 of receipts, supplier invoices).
- (ii) Frequency of Reporting Eligible Expenditures Paid from the Designated Account (subsection 6.3): Quarterly or more often as required.

IV. Other Important Information

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Disbursement Handbook available on the Bank's public website at http://www.worldbank.org and its secure website "Client Connection" at http://clientconnection.worldbank.org. Print copies are available upon request.

From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the Loan, and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. All Borrower officials authorized to sign and deliver Applications by electronic means are required to register with Client Connection before electronic delivery can be effected. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the Bank by email at <cli>clientconnection@worldbank.org>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Maria Virginia Hormazabal, Finance Officer at mhormazabal@worldbank.org and using the trust fund number as a reference.

Sincerely,

Maria Virginia Hormazabal Finance Officer World Bank Loan Operations

Attachments

1. Three-month forecast of Expenditures

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