Addendum

PROJECT PROPOSALS: INDIA

This addendum includes supplementary information regarding the proposal on additional funding for change of ownership for Godrej-GE Appliance Limited (GGEAL) as submitted by the World Bank. The initial information is presented in UNEP/Ozl.Pro/Ex.Com/36/27, Page 6.

COMMENTS

18(bis) The project for conversion of domestic refrigerator manufacturing at GGEAL was approved in two phases at the total of US $4,741,570. Phase II of the project, which was to convert the refrigerant part to isobutane technology was approved by the 30th meeting of the Executive Committee in March 2000, on an exceptional basis, at a funding level of US $2,050,000, taking into account the local ownership which was 60% at that time. The ownership has changed in January 2001 to 100% local ownership.

18(ter) The World Bank provided information indicating that the sub-grant agreement signed with the enterprise covered the implementation of the Phase I of the project related to conversion of the foam part. An additional sub-grant agreement in regard to Phase II of the project has to be signed. According to the project milestones, the signature of sub-grant agreement was envisaged within six months after the approval of Phase II of the project (i.e. September 2000). However, the World Bank has indicated that the enterprise was not willing to sign the new sub-grant until a decision has been taken by the Executive Committee on the change of ownership issue.

18 (quater) Notwithstanding the above, the enterprise has started production of non-CFC based refrigerators with an output of about 100,000 units annually. The production of non-CFC refrigerators has been made possible mainly through the ECOFRIG project funded by Switzerland and Germany outside the Multilateral Fund.

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