BRIEF SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK FROM FIRST ROUND CONSULTATION

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR GRID CONNECTED RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION PROJECTS (VER AND CER)

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We invited stakeholders to feedback on proposed <u>ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS</u> <u>FOR GRID-CONNECTED RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION PROJECTS (VER AND CER)</u> during 9 Jul 2018-12 Sep 2018. The proposed criteria restrict eligibility for renewable energy projects in middle- and high-income countries while continuing to support projects in Least Developing Countries (LDCs).

We received comments and request for clarifications on the proposed rule update as summarised below;

- In Non-LDCs countries, the different RE technologies face a different level
 of barriers and hence shall not be treated the same for eligibility
 assessment. The stakeholder requested to provide further clarity on
 eligibility of projects based on technology types, boundaries, grid types
 (national vs regional vs mini-grid).
- Under eligibility test 2, the proposed rule introduces renewable energy penetration rate-based criteria for eligibility assessment. The stakeholder requested further clarifications on penetration rate assessment for project activity and if the threshold value is fixed or will be updated in future.
- The rule update recognises that a project may face exceptional circumstances and hence allows the developer to seek an exception to eligibility test 1 and 2. The stakeholder appreciated the option and requested further clarity such as examples of exceptional circumstances, additional/alternative approach to support the project case and further details on the procedure for requesting an exemption.
- The stakeholders asked for further clarity on implications of the updated rules to registered project activity or undergoing the registration process.