GEF Project Conceptualization Mission (31 January – 2 February 2017)

Terms of Reference and Schedule

1. Background

The Government of Federated States of Micronesia, through the Office of Environment & Emergency Management (OEEM), has requested the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to be its Global Environment Facility (GEF) Agency for developing and implementing its GEF-6 climate change mitigation (CCM) project. Since the planned CCM project will be for GEF funding, its objective will be in line with the GEF-6 strategic objectives, and at the same time contribute to the achievement of climate resilient economic and social development in the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM).

2. Mission Objectives

The proposed mission follows from the initial consultations with key personnel from the by the UNDP Pacific Office, and previous discussions on CCM project development with the head of the Energy Unit of the Department of Resource and Development (DRD), on the design and development of the FSM CCM project utilizing its GEF-6 CCM STAR Allocation. As per the UNDP-GEF project design guidelines, the following are the major mission activities:

a) Conduct discussions on the overall and specific objectives and programs/projects of the country in regards energy development and utilization, as their contributions to climate resilient economic and social development;
b) Conduct of focused stakeholder consultations with key government and non-government entities to determine the specific objective of the planned project, and define the project boundaries;
c) Identification and evaluation of barriers/problems and issues/concerns in regards the achievement of low carbon development in FSM;
d) Identification and discussions with government and non-government (private sector) entities that have ongoing and/or planned projects/programs on energy development (e.g., rural electrification and productive applications of renewable energy) and energy utilization (e.g., energy efficiency); and,
e) Discussions with relevant DRD and OEEM personnel and the country's GEF operational focal point.

3. Mission Team

The mission will be carried out by Mr. Manuel L. Soriano, Senior Technical Advisor, UNDP – Global Environment Finance.

4. Expected Outputs

The expected outputs are:

- Mission Report (including agreed follow-up activities of EU/DRD on data gathering and submission to UNDP-GEF EITT STA
- Project Concept

5. Annexes

5-1. Detailed Mission Schedule

Date	Time	Activities	Venue	Logistics
Monday, 30 Jan	13:00	Noel Soriano arrives in Pohnpei from Guam.	PNI Airport	
Tuesday, 31 Jan	09:00 – 11:00	Mission briefing meetings: Scheduled Meetings with OEEM and EU/DRD, and project stakeholders	OEEM; EU/DRD	
	11:00 – 17:00	Focused stakeholder consultation meetings – These could be arranged prior to mission to ensure availability; key targets include: EU/DRD, State Utilities, relevant GOFSM agencies, relevant private sector entities, NGOs/CSOs, banks/financial institutions, SPC, donor agencies in Pohnpei.	TBD	
Wednesday, 1 Feb	09:00 – 17:00	Focused stakeholder consultation meetings	TBD	
Thursday, 2 Feb	09:00 – 12:00	Focused stakeholder consultation meetings	TBD	
	15:30	Noel Soriano departs for Guam	PNI Airport	

NOTE: In addition, per the request of the Energy Unit of DRD, the mission will also present to the FSM National Designated Authority (NDA) and relevant stakeholders (e.g., State Utilities) the proposed UNDP Global SIDS Renewable Energy Programme SIDS STEP. The intention is to promote the global program and convince the NDA to endorse the inclusion of FSM's proposed GCF-funded RE to the SIDS STEP, and in the process secure the GOFSM's Letter of No Objection (LoNO).

5-2. List of Potential Organisations for the Focused Consultation Meetings:

1. OEEM
2. EU-DRD
3. Pertinent GOFSM Entities (DTCI, DFA, FSMDB, etc.)
4. PMOs of Energy Sector Projects
5. State Utilities (CPUC, KUA, PUC, YSPSC)
6. Decision makers of localities (in outer islands) where RE and/or EE technology application demonstrations will be carried out
7. Engineering Service Providers, and ESCOs
8. Banks/ Financial Institutions
9. Donor organizations in Federated States of Micronesia