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To Ms Adriana Dinu,

RE: Co-financing for GEF 5 “Project for Papua New Guinea Strengthening the Management Effectiveness of the national System of Protected Areas”

The Torricelli Mountain Range, north-west Papua New Guinea (PNG), is unique in that it is the only place known that is home to three species of tree kangaroo, the Scott’s Tree Kangaroo (Tenkile), the Golden-mantled Tree Kangaroo (Weimang) and the Grizzled Tree Kangaroo (Yongi). Other endemic species include the Black-spotted cuscus (PNG’s largest cuscus) and the Northern Glider. The Tenkile, Weimang, Black-spotted Cuscus and Northern Glider are all classified as critically endangered by the IUCN. The Torricelli’s, therefore have a high level of endemism and biodiversity significance.

The Tenkile Conservation Alliance (TCA), established as a Non Government Organisation in Papua New Guinea in 2001, aims to protect the unique biodiversity of the Torricelli Mountain Range; PNG. TCA uses the tree kangaroos as flagship species for achieving broad forest conservation outcomes with a main objective to establish this mountain range as a legislated Conservation Area. With over a decade of experience in conducting scientific research, sustainable community development projects and education programs TCA has evolved into a successful internationally recognised and award winning integrated conservation and development program. It is our vision that the people of Papua New Guinea value and protect their natural resources, community and culture. For more information refer to www.tenkile.com.

TCA welcomes the opportunity to be a Responsible Partner for implementation of the GEF-5 funded project “Strengthening the Management Effectiveness for the national System of Protected Areas”. Funding from this program will be valuable in terms of completing the establishment of conservation area boundaries with 50 villages and provide valuable community development assistance and capacity building for the future management and sustainability of the Protected Area.

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The Tenkile Conservation Alliance co-financing contribution is shown in the table below:

TCA Contribution	Amount \$USD/year
General fundraising and other external funding sources	\$10,000
In kind: Technical assistance and advice for ecological monitoring and community development	\$20,000
In kind: Use of land and maintenance for Torricelli Mountain Range Conservation Area x 50 participating villages (based on K5,000 / village)	\$100,000
In kind: Use of workshop venue, community space and accommodation at TCA base Lumi	\$50,000
In kind: capacity building expertise, scientific and management expertise provided to participating communities and local level government	\$100,000
Sub total	\$280,000
TCA Partners Contribution	Amount \$USD/year
Wateraid	\$80,000
Perth Zoo	\$10,000
East and West Wape Local Level Government Sandaun Province	\$80,000
10% Community Contribution for community project materials	\$8,880
Sub total	\$178,880
Total contribution per year	\$458,880

The total contribution from TCA for the duration of the project (five years) would be \$1,400,000. Various partner contributions would be \$894,440. A total contribution of \$2,294,200 is expected for the next five years.

Yours truly

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