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Dear Joyce,

Re: UNDP Regional Energy Programme for Poverty Reduction

Please be advised that the Government of the Cook Islands formally endorse and support the UNDP final Project Document for the Regional Energy Programme for Poverty Reduction (REP-PoR).

Given the many issues of energy within the Pacific, the REP-PoR with its focus on broad-based interventions in the three thematic areas of: 1) improving access to energy services; 2) promoting efficient use of energy; and 3) increasing access to financing for sustainable energy this programme will be an important benefit for our regional and respective national development, we see this initiative relevant to our needs. We see this programme as having the potential to complement related regional and national energy activities in particular the current Pacific Islands Renewable Energy Project (PIREP) and the recently approved Pacific Island Energy Policies and Strategic Action Planning (PIEPSAP) project which are both managed by UNDP Samoa.

To maximise coordination between all the related regional energy interventions, we support the recruitment and placement of a Programme Officer position for the Pacific Sub-region under the REP-PoR in the UNDP Samoa office.

On behalf of the Cook Islands Government, I wish to convey our sincere appreciation to UNDP for the continued assistance extended to the Cook Islands.

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The Cook Islands Government looks forward to a continued successful partnership with UNDP.

Kind regards



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