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To: **Oromia Water and Energy Bureau**
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Subject: Approval of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Report for Borana Resilient Water Development for Improved Livelihoods Program (BRWDLP).

The Environment protection Authority (EPA) of the Oromia National Regional State has evaluated the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment report for Borana Resilient Water Development for Improved Livelihoods Program, in accordance with the EIA Proclamation No 299/2002 of Federal Environment Protection Authority and EIA Proclamation no. 176/2012 of Oromia Regional State and the relevant guidelines. The evaluation has disclosed that the report is prepared on the basis of a guiding principle approach and that:

- Measures taken to ensure effective and meaningful consultation are sufficient,
- Methods and instruments used to collect and prepare baseline information are adequate,
- Methods and objectivity of criteria to identify or predict impacts are appropriate,
- The impact analysis and means of containment envisaged under the report are all inclusive.
- The ESMF prepared for the implementation of the project is acceptable to guide the environmental and social safeguards of the project.

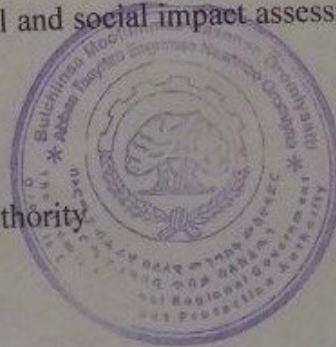
The proposed project is to be located in **Oromia Regional state, Borena Zone.**

Therefore, the Oromia EPA after evaluating the impact study report has approved the implementation of the proposed project on the basis of the following preconditions:

- The Oromia EPA, will monitor implementation of the project in order to evaluate compliance with all the particulars mentioned under the ESMP and ensure the taking of measures by the proponent to undertake any corrective measures as deemed appropriate;
- The Oromia EPA will require the proponent to address any unforeseen fact of serious implication that is realized after the issuance; and the proponent will be objected accordingly;
- The proponent must conduct the environmental and social performance audit of phase one project before conducting environmental and social impact assessment of the phase two project.

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- Borena Zone Environmental protection Authority
- Yabello
- Director General Office
- ESIA Review and Licensing Team
- OEPA



With Regards

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