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**EMERGENCY ROAD REHABILITATION PROGRAM
IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE SANDY**

(HA-L1086)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Beneficiary:	Government of Haiti (GoH)									
Executing agency:	Ministère des Travaux Publics, des Transports, de l’Energie, et des Communications (MTPTEC), through the Unité Centrale d’Exécution (UCE).									
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Financial terms and conditions:	<p>Amortization period: N/A</p> <p>Grace period: N/A</p> <p>Disbursement period: 12 months after the effective date of the grant contract</p> <p>Commitment period: 12 months from the date of the disaster</p>									
Interest rate:	N/A									
Inspection and supervision:	N/A									
Credit fee:	N/A									
Currency:	United States Dollars from the IDB Grant Facility									
Objectives:	The Program’s objective is to repair, stabilize and protect road infrastructure affected by flood damage caused by Hurricane Sandy, in order to reestablish road connectivity and the access of the population to basic services and to resume the normal flow of economic exchanges and humanitarian aid. The program will provide resources to finance road repair and stabilization works, cleaning tasks, the purchase of goods and services and institutional support related to the implementation of the emergency works.									
Special Contractual conditions:	Conditions for execution of Component 2: The UCE will hire or appoint a program manager and a procurement specialist to manage the project on a full time basis.									
Exceptions to Bank policy:	The project team deems reasonable to request extension of the commitment period to twelve (12) months from the date of the disaster, which is an exception to the IRF Policies (GN-2038-14 and GN-2038-16) establishing that the period to commit resources must be within nine (9) months after the date of the disaster. Given the level of difficulty in the assessment of the damages caused by Hurricane Sandy, especially for those areas that are still blocked, and given that institutional reinforcement will be required for the Unité Centrale d’Exécution (UCE) to operate effectively; in this context, the requested exception to the IRF Policies similar to the ones approved in VE-L1035 and PN-L1071, would permit the GoH to respond to the areas most affected by the disaster.									

Environmental and social review: Program activities will comply with applicable national environmental legislation. Given the nature of the program, no environmental impact assessment will be conducted.

Benefits: The program will reestablish road connectivity and the access of population to basic services and resume the normal flow of economic exchanges and humanitarian aid.

Coordination with other agencies: Several international organizations, bilateral agencies and nongovernmental organizations have responded to the emergency by redirecting or increasing resources in Haiti to support humanitarian assistance including: United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), World Food Program (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Cadre de Coordination de l’Aide Externe au Developpement (CAED) and the French Cooperation. The World Bank offered to expedite execution of their existing programs (up to US\$33 million) and to mobilize resources from contingency funds (US\$6 million) to support recovery efforts in the transport and other sectors. The Bank is coordinating its actions with other agencies through the existing forums of donors such as the sectorial tables and also through the MTPTEC/UCE.

Procurement: The procurement of this program will be conducted in accordance with the Procurement Policies for Works and Goods financed by the Bank (GN-2349-9), and the Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Bank (GN-2350-9). Also will apply as appropriate and complementary, the “Procurement Arrangements for Haiti” (GN-2654) while in effect. Based on the medium risk determined in the last capacity evaluation, the Bank’s supervision will be ex ante.

Up to 20 percent of the total project funds (US\$3.5 million) may cover the following eligible expenses certified by the UCE with the Bank non objection: (i) works undertaken through force account or contracted by GoH from the date of the disaster up to the effective date of the grant contract (retroactive financing); and/or (ii) works undertaken through force account after the effective date of the grant contract.