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His Excellency Mr. Roosevelt Skerrit Prime Minister and Minister for Finance Ministry of Finance 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Financial Center Kennedy Avenue, Roseau Dominica

# Re: IDA Credit No. 6314-DM (Additional Financing Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project) Additional Instructions: Disbursement and Financial Information Letter (DFIL)

#### Excellency,

I refer to the Financing Agreement between Commonwealth of Dominica (the "Recipient") and the International Development Association (the "Association") for the above-referenced Project. The General Conditions, as defined in the Financing Agreement, provide that the Recipient may from time to time request withdrawals of Financing amounts from the Financing Account in accordance with the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter, and such additional instructions as the Association may specify from time to time by notice to the Recipient. The General Conditions also provide that the Disbursement and Financial Information Letter may set out Project specific financial reporting requirements. This letter constitutes such Disbursement and Financial Information Letter ("DFIL"), and may be revised from time to time.

# I. Disbursement Arrangements, Withdrawal and Reporting of Uses of Financing Funds.

The Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, dated February 2017, ("Disbursement Guidelines") are available in the Association's public website at "Client https://www.worldbank.org website Connection" and its secure at https://clientconnection.worldbank.org. The Disbursement Guidelines are an integral part of the DFIL, and the manner in which the provisions in the guidelines apply to the Financing is specified below.

# (i) Disbursement Arrangements

• *General Provisions* (Schedule 1). The table in Schedule 1 sets out the disbursement methods which may be used by the Recipient, and conditions, information on registration of authorized signatures, processing of withdrawal applications (including minimum value of applications and processing of advances), instructions on supporting documentation, and frequency of reporting on the Designated Account.

# (ii) Electronic Delivery. Section 11.01 (c) of the General Conditions.

The Association may permit the Recipient to electronically deliver applications (with supporting documents) through the Association's web-based portal (<u>https://clientconnection.worldbank.org</u>) "Client Connection". This option may be effected if the officials designated in writing by the Recipient who are authorized to sign and deliver Applications have registered as users of "Client Connection". The designated



officials may deliver Applications electronically by completing the Form 2380, which is accessible through "Client Connection". By signing the Authorized Signatory Letter, the Recipient confirms that it is authorizing such persons to accept Secure Identification Credentials (SIDC) and to deliver the Applications and supporting documents to the Association by electronic means. The Recipient may continue to exercise the option of preparing and delivering Applications in paper form. The Association reserves the right and may, in its sole discretion, temporarily or permanently disallow the electronic delivery of Applications by the Recipient. By designating officials to use SIDC and by choosing to deliver the Applications electronically, the Recipient confirms through the authorized signatory letter its agreement to: (a) abide by the Terms and Conditions of Use of Secure Identification Credentials in connection with Use of Electronic Means to Process Applications and Supporting Documentation, available in the Association's public website at https://worldbank.org and "Client Connection"; and (b) to cause such official to abide by those terms and conditions.

# II. Financial Reports and Audits.

(i) Financial Reports. The Recipient must prepare and furnish to the Association not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar quarter, interim unaudited financial reports ("IFR") for the Project covering the quarter.

(ii) Audits. Each audit of the Financial Statements must cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient, commencing with the fiscal year in which the first withdrawal was made. The audited Financial Statements for each such period must be furnished to the Association not later than six (6) months after the end of such period.

# **III. Other Information.**

For additional information on disbursement arrangements, please refer to the Loan Handbook available on the Association's website (http://www.worldbank.org/) and "Client Connection". The Association recommends that you register as a user of "Client Connection". From this website you will be able to prepare and deliver Applications, monitor the near real-time status of the [Grant] [Credit], and retrieve related policy, financial, and procurement information. For more information about the website and registration arrangements, please contact the Association by email at <u>clientconnection@worldbank.org</u>.

If you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact Jose Janeiro, Finance Officer at jjaneiro@worldbank.org, with copy to Patricia Melo, Finance Analyst at pmelo@worldbank.org using the above reference.

Yours sincerely,

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Tahseen Sayed Country Director Caribbean Country Management Unit Latin American and the Caribbean Region



# <u>Attachments</u>

- 1. Form of Authorized Signatory Letter
- 2. Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR)
- With copies: Ministry of Finance 5th Floor Financial Center Kennedy Avenue Roseau, Dominica finsecfinance@dominica.gov.dm

Project Coordinating Unit 38 Cork Street Roseau, Dominica ppcrdvrp@dominica.gov.dm

#### **Schedule 1 : Disbursement Provisions**

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Credit Number	IDA 6314- DM	Country	Commonwealth of Dominica	Closing Date	e Section IV.B.2 of Schedule 2 to the
		Recipient	Commonwealth of Dominica		Financing Agreement.
		Name of the Project	Additional Financing Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project	Disbursemen Deadline Da Subsection 3.	te
		Disbu	rsement Methods and Supporting Doci		
<b>Disbursement Methods</b> Section 2 (**)		Methods	Supporting Documentation Subsections 4.3 and 4.4 (**)		
Direct Payment		Yes	Copy of records		
Reimbursement		Yes	Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR) in the format provided in Attachment 2 of the DFIL		
Designated Account		Yes	Interim unaudited Financial Report (IFR) in the format provided in Attachment 2 of the DFIL		
Special Commitments		No	Not Applicable		
I Start W			Designated Account (Sections 5 and 6	**)	
Туре		Pooled		Ceiling	Variable
Financial Institution - Name		National Bank of Dominica		Currency	USD
Frequency of Reporting Subsection 6.3 (**)		Same as IFR: Quarterly		Amount	Not Applicable
		Mi	nimum Value of Applications (subsecti	ion 3.5)	
The minimum	value of applica	tions for Reimbursement a	and Direct Payment is USD 200,000.00 e	quivalent.	
Am	thorized Signat	ures (Subsection 3.1 and	3.2 **) The form for Authorized Signatori	ing Tattan in music	
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Authorized Signame(s) and sp	gnatures: A letter becimen signatur	in the Form attached (Att	achment 1) should be furnished to the As orized to sign Applications:	ssociation at the a	address indicated below providing the
The World Bar	nk				
1818 H Street,					
• •	C 20433, USA				
Attention: Ma	. Tahseen Sayed.	0 · D' ·			

Applications: Completed Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, should be provided through the Association's Client Connection, web-based portal, following the instructions for electronic delivery. In the case the Recipient does not have internet access, the Association may permit the delivery of Applications for withdrawal, together with supporting documents, to the following address:

Banco Mundial SCN Quadra 02, Lote A Ed. Corporate Financial Center, 7º andar 70712-900, Brasília, D.F. – Brazil Attention: Loan Operations

#### Additional Instructions

**Contingency Emergency Response Component:** This Component, without an initial allocation of funds, will provide immediate response to an eligible emergency. In the event of a disaster, and at the request of the Government, the Component would finance eligible activities and expenditures through the reallocation of funds from the Project. The CERC Operational Manual will apply to this component. This manual details the financial management, procurement, safeguard and any other arrangements for the CERC to ensure that funds are disbursed in a rapid and efficient manner following an eligible emergency.

Other

\*\* Sections and subsections relate to the "Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing", dated February 2017.

#### Attachment 1 – Form of Authorized Signatory Letter

[Letterhead] Ministry of Finance [Street address] [City] [Country]

[DATE]

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International Development Association 1818 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20433 United States of America

Re: [Grant][Credit]<sup>1</sup> No. \_\_\_\_\_- ([*Name of the project*])

Attention: \_\_\_\_\_, Country Director

I refer to the [Grant] [Credit] Agreement ("Agreement") between the International Development Association (the "Association")[, acting as implementing of the ]<sup>2</sup> and [*name of recipient*] (the "Recipient"), dated \_\_\_\_\_, providing the above [Grant] [Credit]. For the purposes of Section 2.03 of the General Conditions as defined in the Agreement, any <sup>3</sup>[one] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appear below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient to sign applications for withdrawal [and applications for a special commitment] under this [Grant] [Credit].

For the purpose of delivering Applications to the Association, including by electronic means, <sup>4</sup>[each] of the persons whose authenticated specimen signatures appears below is authorized on behalf of the Recipient, acting <sup>5</sup>[individually] <sup>6</sup>[jointly], to deliver Applications, and evidence in support thereof on the terms and conditions specified by the Association.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: use "Credit" or "Grant" as applicable. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Associations.* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: add text in line with the Grant Agreement if applicable; if not applicable delete it. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Associations* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: stipulate if more than one person needs to sign Applications, and how many or which positions, and if any thresholds apply. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: stipulate if more than one person needs to *jointly* sign Applications, if so, please <u>indicate</u> <u>the actual number</u>. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: use this bracket if any one of the authorized persons may sign; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Instruction to the Recipient: use this bracket <u>only</u> if several individuals must jointly sign each Application; if this is not applicable, please delete. *Please delete this footnote in final letter that is sent to the Association*.

This Authorization replaces and supersedes any Authorization currently in the Association records with respect to this Agreement.

[Name], [position]	Specimen Signature:
[Name], [position]	Specimen Signature:
[Name], [position]	Specimen Signature:

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Yours truly,

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Attachment 2 - Interim Unaudited Financial Statements (To be included)

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