Public Information Summary

Host Country	India
Name of Guaranteed Party	Origo Commodities India Pvt. Ltd.
Project Description	DFC will provide an unfunded guaranty for a loan from a local private- sector Bank of up to \$19,929,307.99 to Origo Commodities Pvt Ltd. ("Origo") to grow an innovative structured trade financing product designed to increase liquidity in the marketplace for agricultural commodities by providing off-balance sheet financing for agricultural commodities traders, processors, and food manufacturers.
Proposed DFC Guaranty	\$19,929,307.99 with a seven-year tenor
All-Source Funding Total	\$34,300,000
Policy Review	
Developmental Objectives	The Project is expected to have a highly developmental impact through the provision of services including logistics management, warehousing services, and procurement of agricultural produce primarily from smallholder farmers. India has a high level of food insecurity, with much of the food insecurity stemming from an underproductive and often inefficient agricultural sector. Specifically, one of the major issues facing the sector is post-harvest management and storage of food. Food losses have the double impact of not only reducing producers' income, but also exacerbating the country's ability to feed its population. The Project will help reduce post-harvest food losses for staple crops such as wheat, maize, paddy, soybean, and gram rice through its storage facilities and management expertise. The Project will also create over 1,000 formal sector jobs in a country in which over 80% of the labor force is employed in the informal economy.
Environment and Social Assessment	SCREENING: Loans to agricultural facilities are screened as Category B projects under DFC's environmental guidelines because impacts are site specific and readily mitigated using good international industrial practices. Environmental issues associated with the Project include the need for a robust environmental and social management system to manage potential environmental and social risks from the operation of the facility, occupational health and safety measures, food safety protocols, fire prevention and control measures, and proper disposal of small quantities of wastes. Social issues associated with the Project include the need for labor management, including supply chain management.

APPLICABLE STANDARDS: Under DFC's ESPP, the Borrower is required to comply with applicable local and national laws and regulations related to environmental and social performance. DFC's environmental due diligence indicates the Project will have impacts which must be managed in a manner consistent with the following International Finance Corporation's (IFC) 2012 Performance Standards (PS). For Category B projects, applicable provisions include:
 PS 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts; PS 2: Labor and Working Conditions; PS 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention; and PS 4: Community Health, Safety, and Security.
Based on DFC's desktop review, the Project will not require any land acquisition and all current facilities are located in established commercial/industrial estates. All land has been leased through a voluntary transaction process at market rates. Therefore, PS 5, 6, 7, and 8 are not triggered at this time.
The Project will be required to meet applicable provisions of the IFC's 2007 General Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines.
KEY ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL ISSUES AND MITIGATION:
Origo offers complete post-harvest management services that reduce risks, minimize wastage, and adds value in the agri-commodity supply chain. Origo has developed its ESMS to incorporate environmental and social considerations into business activities, mitigating material risks, exploring areas of opportunity and improving overall performance. Origo will be required to update its ESMS to accurately reflect current operations for rented warehouses and distinguish between requirements for owned warehouses, as well as to address supply chain management for labor risks. Origo will also be required to update its labor management to address medical examinations, anonymous grievances, third-party contracting, and retrenchment.