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Quick Facts

Countries	Vietnam
Specific Location	Ninh Thuan province, Vietnam
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Completed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-02-12
Borrower	AC ENERGY, INC.
Sectors	Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 100.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	$ 75.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 300.00 million

Project Description

AC Energy, Inc. (“ACE” or the “Company”) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ayala Corporation (“Ayala”) in the Philippines that engages in power generation. Since 2011, ACE has invested around US$1 billion in the power sector in the Philippines, Indonesia and, more recently, in Vietnam and Australia. It currently co-owns ~4GW (~1.8GW pro-rata share) of generation capacity in operation or under construction, including thermal, wind and solar assets in the Philippines, wind and geothermal assets in Indonesia, as well as solar assets in Vietnam.

ACE will guarantee the Green Bond. The proceeds of the Green Bond will be used as ACE’s equity and development capital for its renewable energy (“RE”) projects in the Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, Australia, and in other countries where ACE may operate. IFC’s subscription to the Green Bond would be dedicated to RE projects in Vietnam only.

Some of the sub-projects preliminarily identified for potential use of IFC proceeds include the five projects listed below, which are being developed with local partners viz. BIM Energy and The Blue Circle (TBC):

Sub-Project	Type	MW	Stage	Area	Location
BIM Energy	Solar	30	Under construction	34.8 ha	Phuoc Minh, Ninh Phuoc District, Ninh Thuan Province, Vietnam 11°26'28.13N 108°53'59.45E
BIM Renewable	Solar	50	Under construction	~65 ha	Phuoc Minh, Ninh Phuoc District, Ninh Thuan Province, Vietnam 11°23'50.89N 108°52'53.38E
BIM Wind	Wind	50-200	Under Planning	TBD	Phuoc Minh, Ninh Phuoc District, Ninh Thuan Province, Vietnam 11°25'0.56N 108°52'47.35E
TBC Dai Phong	Wind	40	Under Planning	18.0 ha	Thien Nghiep, Thanh pho Phan Thiet, Binh Thuan Province, Vietnam 10°58'56.21N, 108°17'43.37E
TBC Ba Thap	Wind	30	Under Planning	4.3 ha	Bac Phong, Thuan Bac District, Ninh Thuan Province, Vietnam 11°40'16.16N, 109° 2'17.73E

Additional renewable energy projects may be developed by ACE and may be considered for use of IFC proceeds, provided that E&S impacts are limited. Only the projects that will utilize IFC proceeds are referred to as the “sub-project/s.”

Investment Description

- International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Total issuance amount of the Green Bond is US$300 million in the 5-year tenor tranche. IFC’s investment is US$75 million of the 5-year tranche.

Private Actors Description

The Issuer is AC Energy Finance International Limited, a Cayman Islands wholly-owned subsidiary of ACE. ACE, in turn, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ayala, a listed company established and organized under the laws of the Philippines. Ayala is listed on the Philippines Stock Exchange. Its largest shareholder is Mermac Inc. (47.0%). Mitsubishi Corporation is its second-largest shareholder (6.7%). The rest is widely held by other investors with less than 5% ownership each.

Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	AC Energy Holdings, Inc	Client	-
-	-	-	-	Ayala Corporation	Parent Company	-
-	-	-	-	BIM Group	Contractor	-

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ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF IFC

The Compliance Advisor Ombudsman (CAO) is the independent complaint mechanism and fact-finding body for people who believe they are likely to be, or have been, adversely affected by an IFC or MIGA- financed project. If you submit a complaint to the CAO, they may assist you in resolving a dispute with the company and/or investigate to assess whether the IFC is following its own policies and procedures for preventing harm to people or the environment. If you want to submit a complaint electronically, you can email the CAO at CAO@worldbankgroup.org. You can learn more about the CAO and how to file a complaint at http://www.cao-ombudsman.org/

Bank Documents

- Environmental and Social Review Summary

Corporate Documents

- Ayala Corporation
- AC Energy Website

Media

- AC Energy cong bo ke hoach dau tu dien tai tao tai Viet Nam