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Quick Facts

Countries China

Specific Location Hunan, Hubei, Guangxi, Liaoning, Shaanxi, Jiangxi, Fujian, Gansu, Guangdong and Shanxi

Financial Institutions International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Status Approved

Bank Risk Rating B

Voting Date 2022-03-18

Borrower New China Water (Nanjing) Renewable Resources Investment Co., Ltd.

Sectors Energy, Water and Sanitation

Investment Type(s) Loan

Investment Amount (USD) \$ 50.00 million
Project Cost (USD) \$ 72.60 million

Project Description

New China Water (Nanjing) Renewable Resources Investment Co., Ltd. ("NCWI") was established in 2013 to develop, build, operate and own landfill gas-to-energy ("LFGE") projects in China, and is one of the first movers in China's LFGE sector.

According to the Bank's website, the proposed IFC financing will support NWCI's capital expenditure program which involves the construction, the acquisition and upgrade of LFGE projects (major components including gensets, adjacent gas collection facilities and grid system) located in 10 provinces in China. The LFGE projects will generate electricity through collecting and utilizing Landfill gas, a natural by-product of the decomposition of organic material in landfills, 40%-60% composed of methane. It is critical to capture and treat the methane from migrating into the atmosphere, which has big environmental effect, as reducing 1 ton of methane emissions is equivalent to reducing 25 tons of CO2 emission.

IFC funds will be used to finance 24 identified LFGE projects (the "Project") which include ten sites that are currently under operation (Gaizhou, Lianyuan, Liling, Zhijiang, Nanning, Shanghang, Changting, Wuping, Dingnan, and Yangxin), three sites where construction has started or will commence soon (Wafangdian, Ankang, Shaowu), and one site where the development agreement with the landfills was recently signed (Jingchuan). NCWI is in discussion with landfill operators at multiple other locations to sign project development agreements. IFC funds will also be used for projects at ten of the sites were NCWI is currently in discussions for project development

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The proposed IFC Investment is a Green Loan in an amount of up to RMB320 million (\$50.0 million equivalent). The total project cost is estimated at \$72.6 million, and the remaining amount is to be funded by a combination of internal cash flows and newly injected equity.

Private Actor Relationship

NWCI was founded and majority-owned by China Water Industry Group Limited, a HK-listed water operator. CWI Group is an environmental service provider in in China, three main business lines: 1) water affaires (including water supply, sewage treatment, and construction services), 2) new energy of environmental protection (mainly LFGE), and 3) property investment and development. It is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (1129.HK).

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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector		Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
China Water Industry Group	Parent Company	-	owns	NEW CHINA WATER (NANJING) RENEWABLE RESOURCES INVESTMENT CO., LTD.	Client	-

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Bank Documents

• Environmental & Social Review Summary (ESRS)