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# **Quick Facts**

Countries	China				
Specific Location	Qinhuangdao, Hebei province				
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)				
Status	Proposed				
Bank Risk Rating	В				
Voting Date	2024-06-21				
Borrower	Zhengzhou Wote Energy-efficiency Technology Co., Ltd.				
Sectors	Energy, Industry and Trade, Mining				
Investment Type(s)	Loan				
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 60.00 million				
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 60.00 million				
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 80.00 million				

## **Project Description**

As stated on the project disclosure page, the proposed IFC investment is to provide Wote an RMB-denominated loan of up to US\$60 million for (1) financing the acquisition of an operational 70MW Baigong Phase 1 waste heat to electricity (WHE) project; and (2) construction of an 80 MW Baigong Phase 2 WHE project in Qinhuangdao, Hebei province, a frontier region in China.

The project is located within an existing steel processing facility premise in an industrial area and 500m from the nearest community. The generated electricity will be consumed by the steel processing facility, hence transmission line will not be required.

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As stated by the IFC, the rest 25% [will be] funded by the Company, together with a minority shareholder.

## **Private Actors Description**

As stated by the IFC, Zhengzhou Wote Energy-efficiency Technology Co., Ltd (Wote or the Company) is a private sector enterprise in China, focusing on providing energy efficiency and waste treatment solutions to the steel sector.

Founded in 2007, Wote provides integrated energy efficiency and waste treatment solutions to traditional steel industry primarily across the following two business lines: 1) slag recycling and utilization, and 2) waste heat to electricity generation from blast furnace gas and converter gas. Wote is headquartered in Zhengzhou, Henan province, a frontier region in China.

Wote's largest shareholder is Mr. LI Xun, the founder, who together with his family collectively owns 58.34 percent equity interest. Henan Zhanxin Industrial Investment Fund owns 7.17 percent shares of Wote. Five Employee Stock Option Plans collectively own 6.3 percent in the Company. Three Hongta related funds including Hongta Innovation Investment Co., Ltd., Shenzhen Hongta High-tech Venture Capital Enterprise (Limited Partnership) and Zhuhai Hongchuang Hezhi Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership) collectively own 6.27 percent in the Company. The rest of Wote's shares are held by various institutional and individual investors with each owning less than 3 percent.





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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Zhengzhou Wote Energy-efficiency Technology Co., Ltd	Client	Energy

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# **Bank Documents**

• Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS)