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Subject: Co-financing of the project: “Building climate resilience of vulnerable agricultural livelihoods in southern Zimbabwe”

On behalf of Government of Zimbabwe the Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Water, Climate and Rural Resources (MLAWCRR) would like to express its interest to support the project titled **“Building climate resilience of vulnerable agricultural livelihoods in southern Zimbabwe”**, led by the United Nations Development Programme. We understand that this proposal is being submitted to the Green Climate Fund and believe that the project is key to building resilience of vulnerable rural populations, namely small holder farmers, in Zimbabwe to climate change impacts.

With this letter we would like to confirm our commitment to provide a total of USD 12,914,920 consisting of USD 7,123,900 in-cash and USD 5,791,020 in-kind co-financing to support the implementation of the project over the project duration of seven years. This co-financing is conditional upon approval of the proposed Project by the GCF Board.

This new and additional co-financing will be leveraged to complement GCF resources for: (i) investments in increased access to water for climate-resilient agriculture, including more effective and efficient water resource planning and management (Output 1); (ii) scaled up climate-resilient agricultural production and diversification through increased access to climate-resilient inputs and practices as well as facilitation of stronger market linkages (Output 2); (iii) Increased access to weather, climate and hydrological information for improved water resource management and planning for climate-resilient agriculture (Output 3); and iv) Support for Project Management costs. Refer details in Annex 1 appended to this letter.

Additionally, the MALWCRR also commits to cover the costs of operations and maintenance with respect to the hydro-met installations, estimated at USD 963,800 of which USD 145,000 is in cash and USD 818,800 in-kind for a period of 10 years post project completion.

The co-financing to the project will be allocated in the national budget to the implementing partner/executing entity to the project, the Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Water, Climate and Rural Resettlement (MLACWRR) to be delivered through the responsible partners - Agricultural Technical and

Extension Services (AGRITEX), Zimbabwe National Water Authority (ZINWA), Meteorological Services Department (MSD), Department of Irrigation (DoI) and technical departments namely Department of Research & Specialist Services (DR&SS), Department of Economics and Markets, and Department of Livestock and Veterinary Services (DLVS).

We thank the Green Climate Fund for the opportunity to address current financing gaps that are hampering Zimbabwe's efforts to effectively address climate change vulnerabilities and design adaptation solutions that will significantly increase the resilience of vulnerable rural populations.

We look forward to a fruitful project.

Yours sincerely,



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