



## SUMMARY OF THE 26<sup>TH</sup> SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

JANUARY 22, 2019

10:00 A.M., ROYAL SENCHI HOTEL, SENCHI

The following is the summary of the 26<sup>th</sup> Special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Development Authority (“MiDA”) held at the Royal Senchi Hotel, Senchi on the above-mentioned date and time and for which Notice was duly given in writing on January 15, 2019.

The meeting was convened pursuant to (i) the Millennium Challenge Compact between the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”), and the Government of the Republic of Ghana (the “*Government*”), executed on August 5, 2014 (the “*Compact*”); and (ii) the Program Implementation Agreement, by and between the United States of America, acting through MCC, and the Republic of Ghana, dated August 5, 2014 (the “*PIA*”). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given such terms in the Compact.

### 1. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON:

#### VOTING MEMBERS

- Prof. Yaa Ntiamao-Baidu, Chairperson of the Board, Government of Ghana Principal Representative
- Hon. John Peter Amewu, Minister for Energy
- Hon. Gloria Afua Akuffo, Attorney General & Minister for Justice
- Hon. Cynthia Morrison, Minister for Gender, Children & Social Protection
- Hon. Robert Ahomka-Lindsay, Deputy Minister for Trade & Industry and Representative of the Minister for Trade & Industry
- Mr. Joe Tackie, Representative of the Minister for Business Development
- Mr. Humphrey Ayim-Darke, Representative of Association of Ghana Industries (AGI)
- Dr. Sam Kobina DeSouza, Representative of Private Enterprise Federation
- Mr. Martin Eson-Benjamin, Interim Chief Executive Officer, MiDA (CEO)

#### OBSERVERS

- Mr. Kenneth Miller, MCC Resident Country Director (RCD)

#### IN ATTENDANCE

- Mr. Julius Kpekpena, Chief Operating Officer, MiDA (COO)
- Ms. Yvonne Fiadjoe, General Counsel and Board Secretary, MiDA

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 5, 2018

The Board reviewed and approved the Minutes and Resolutions of the Twenty-Second Board Meeting held on December 5, 2018 with some modifications.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 25<sup>TH</sup> SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 11, 2018**

The Board reviewed and approved the Minutes and Resolutions of the Twenty-Fifth Special Board Meeting held on December 11, 2018 with some modifications.

#### **5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **a. Update on the implementation of the NEDCO Project**

The CEO briefed the Board on the interventions by the Ministry of Employment and Labour Relations to resolve the impasse with the NEDCO Staff on the Management Contract. The Board directed the CEO to travel to the North to have discussions with NEDCo's Management on the way forward and to revert to the Board on the progress by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

##### **b. Update on BXC Court Case**

The Board took note of the status of the case and in particular that, the Application for the Court to order the Plaintiffs to preserve the validity of the Bid Bond by extending its validity period before it expired on December 21, 2018, was granted by the High Court.

##### **c. Compact Components Implementation by Project Managers**

Following presentations by the Project Managers on the status of the various Projects, the Board, taking into account that the Compact is time bound, stressed the critical importance of ensuring that there are no slippages in implementation of the respective Work Plans of the Project Managers.

##### **d. Proposed MiDA Organogram**

The CEO and the COO explained that the proposed changes to the organogram resulted from a careful review of the internal structure at MiDA. They both indicated their strong belief that the proposed organogram will deliver on the Compact.

##### **e. Inclusion of Additional Ministries, their Annexes in Accra and Kumasi and Other Institutions to the Race To Retrofits and Renewables Program**

The COO indicated that thus far, the Project was progressing well and explained that MiDA had identified a number of Ministries that ought to be covered if resources are available. Following deliberations, the Board took note of the list of identified additional Ministries and Public Institutions that can potentially benefit from the Race to Retrofit and Renewables Activity and urged Management to institute measures to ensure that as many of the additional Ministries as possible benefit from the Project.

##### **f. Ratification of Approval of Compact Disbursement Request No. 11**

The Board ratified the approval of the Compact Disbursement Request Number 11 as presented to the Board, indicating Commitments and Spending Authority for the period 1st January 2019 to 31st March, 2019.

##### **g. Ratification of Approval of Update To Compact Procurement Plan No. 4, Qr4**

The Board ratified the Board Chairperson's approval of the Updates to Compact Procurement Plan No.4 QR 4.

**6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Honourable Deputy Minister for Trade and Industry informed the Board of the sad death of his father. He noted that the final funeral rites will be held in Cape Coast on March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> 2019.