



SUMMARY OF 33RD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

11:00 A.M., VIA TELECONFERENCE ON ZOOM, ACCRA

The following is the summary of the 33rd Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Development Authority (“MiDA”) held via teleconference on Zoom in Accra on the above-mentioned date and time and for which Notice was duly given in writing on September 8, 2021.

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 AT THE MEETING:

VOTING MEMBERS

- Prof. Yaa Ntiamoah-Baidu, Chairperson of the Board, Government of Ghana Principal Representative
- Mr. Lawrence Apaalse, Chief Director, Ministry of Energy and Representative of the Minister for Energy
- Mr. Patrick Yaw Nimo, Chief Director, Ministry of Trade & Industry and Representative of the Minister for Trade & Industry
- Dr. Sam Kobina DeSouza, Representative of Private Enterprise Federation (PEF)
- Mr. Humphrey Ayim-Darke, Representative of Association of Ghana Industries (AGI)
- Ing. Stephen Duodo, Representative of Energy Foundation (EF)
- Mr. Martin Eson-Benjamin, Chief Executive Officer, MiDA(CEO)
- Mr. Steve Marma, MCC Resident Country Director (RCD)

IN ATTENDANCE

- Ms. Khalia Mounsey, MCC Deputy Resident Country Director (DRCD)
- Mr. Julius Kwame Kpekpena, Chief Operating Officer, MiDA (COO)
- Mr. John Boakye, Chief Financial Officer, MiDA (CFO)
- Mr. Matthew Armah, Program Management Controller & Acting Procurement Director, MiDA
- Dr. Kofi Marfo, Monitoring & Evaluation & Economics Director, MiDA (MEED)
- Mrs. Pamela Djamson-Tettey, Communications and Outreach Director, MiDA (COD)
- Mr. Samuel Afram, Access Project Manager, MiDA (APM)
- Mr. Benjamin Opoku, Environmental & Social Performance Director, MiDA (ESPD)
- Mr. Sylvester Ashong Ayayee, Energy Efficiency & Demand Side Management Project Manager, MiDA (EEDSM PM)
- Ms. Yvonne Fiadjoe, General Counsel and Board Secretary, MiDA
- Mrs. Naa Aduley Ploutos-Clotley, Legal Officer, MiDA

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a. Approval Of Purchase of Office Equipment and Vehicles For Energy Auditing Centres Under the “Capacity Building and Training Support for Energy Auditing” Sub-Activity

The EEDSM PM provided the background of the Activity and highlighted the Consultant’s recommendations in the Sustainability Plan (SP). Following further deliberations, the Board approved the budget for the purchases of the three (3) Sustainable Energy Services Centers (SESCs). The Board also directed Management to initiate discussions between the Accra Technical University (ATU) and the Association of Ghana Industries (AGI) to ensure collaboration towards AGI’s utilization of the Sustainable Energy Services Center established at the ATU.

b. Request for Extension of Time for Customer Outreach, Facilitation Assistance for New Connections and Normalization of Services

The APM highlighted the background and purpose of the Consultancy Contract. Following the Board’s deliberations, the Board approved a six (6) month Extension of Time to the Consultancy Contract from 6th September, 2021 to 31st March, 2022.

c. Update on the Grid Watch Scale-Up

The MEED in a presentation explained how the GridWatch technology works by using real time power outage data to measure power quality and reliability. He highlighted the three (3) main components of the technology and provided the lessons learnt.

d. Update on Court Cases

Following the Board Secretary’s explanations, the Board took note of the status of the Compact II Cases. In particular, MiDA is still pursuing Zenith Bank for the Interest on the Bid Guarantee amount which was awarded by the Court. On September 7, 2021 Zenith Bank requested that the matter is settled. The matter was adjourned to October 18, 2021 for the parties to attempt settlement of the matter.

e. Update on Pokuase BSP: Process towards its inauguration

The COD explained that MiDA is collaborating with ECG and other stakeholders to inaugurate the Pokuase BSP, the Meter Management System (MMS) Project and the Geographic Information System (GIS) Project on certain tentative dates. The CEO provided additional details on the Inaugurations, and in particular that the inauguration of the MMS Project is slated for September 22nd, 2021 and that subject to confirmation by the Office of the President, the tentative date for the Inauguration of the Pokuase BSP is October 20th, 2021.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 6TH BOARD RETREAT HELD FROM AUGUST 9-11, 2021

The Board reviewed and approved the Minutes and Resolutions of the Sixth Board Retreat held from August 9-11, 2021 (“*Sixth Board Retreat Minutes*”).

4. APPROVAL OF COMPACT DISBURSEMENT REQUEST NO. 22

The CFO presented the Quarter 22 Disbursement Request. The Board approved the Compact Disbursement Request Number 22 as presented to the Board, indicating Commitments and Spending Authority for the period October 1st, 2021 to December 31st, 2021.

5. APPROVAL OF COMPACT PROCUREMENT PLAN NO. 7, QR 4

The PMC presented the Compact Procurement Plan. The Board approved the Updates to the Compact Procurement Plan No.7 QR 4, which covers procurements to be carried out up to 6th June, 2022 and directed Management to implement the Updates to the Compact Procurement Plan No.7 QR 4 as approved.

6. APPROVAL OF CHANGES IN SCOPE AND ADDITIONAL COST FOR THE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF HVDS

The Board deferred the discussion on this matter to the next Board Meeting.

7. APPROVAL FOR PRICE ADJUSTMENT IN THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 16 UNIT 3-BED BLOCK OF FLATS AT KANDA

The ESPD provided a background to the Contract and explained the Contractor's request for an adjustment in the Contract price and the Supervising Engineer's recommendation that MiDA approves the request. Following the Board's extensive deliberation on the matter, the Board approved the price increase to the Price of the Contract for the Construction of the 16 Unit 3-Bed Block of Flats at Kanda.

8. UPDATE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF CONTINGENCY FUNDS

The Board deferred the discussion on the matter to the next Board Meeting.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a. Request for Extension of Time For Work Order No. 2 for Plant, Supply, Installation, Testing And Commissioning of LV Bifurcation And Network Improvement – Kaneshie And Dansoman Districts

The Board discussed this Agenda Item under Agenda Item 5 and approved an extension of eight (8) months to the Completion Date of the Low Voltage Bifurcation and Network Improvement Work Order for the Kaneshie and Dansoman Districts under the IDIQ Head Contract and the cost of replacing the defective Stays in the Kaneshie and Dansoman Districts.