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Dear Bob,

**Subject: Review of the OECD Recommendation on Common Approaches  
on Environment and Officially Supported Export Credits**

Thank you for your letter of 9 June 2006 and for your additional suggestions of issues for inclusion in the review of the OECD Recommendation on Common Approaches on Environment and Officially Supported Export Credits. As you requested, your letter and suggestions have been circulated to Members of the Working Party on Export Credits and Credit Guarantees (ECG).

With regard to the comments in your letter concerning future consultations, I would like to recall that the OECD is an inter-governmental forum where negotiations take place between Member governments; as the ECG Members are in the midst of a negotiation, I can quite understand that they may not wish to disclose their positions during an informal consultation with other than their negotiating partners. In this connection, in my view, more emphasis on bilateral discussions at the national level to influence individual governments' negotiating positions before they reach Paris may produce more satisfactory results.

Yours sincerely,

for Ms. Nicole BOLLEN  
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