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Dear Sébastien,

**PEER REVIEW AND CONSULTATION WITH CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS**

Further to the letter from Ms. Janet WEST dated 11 March 2009 concerning the enhanced peer review process for the *OECD Working Party on Export Credits and Credit Guarantees* (ECG) in relation to Members' implementation of the two OECD Recommendations on export credits<sup>1</sup>, I write to inform you that Members' up-dated responses to the surveys of anti-bribery measures and environmental review procedures have now been issued on the OECD website<sup>2</sup>.

In this connection, should you have any comments on these responses, we should be happy to receive them via email to [Xcred.Secretariat@oecd.org](mailto:Xcred.Secretariat@oecd.org) by **Friday, 11 September 2009**. Any comments will then be circulated to Members, shared with the relevant OECD Directorates and taken into account in the Secretariat's reviews of responses. In this context, it is not Members' intention to discuss individual export credit transactions in detail as part of the peer review process; however, particular projects may be referenced briefly to support any comments provided.

In addition, I also write to extend an invitation to the non-governmental organisations (NGOs) of ECA Watch to a Consultation between Civil Society Organisations and OECD Members, which is scheduled to take place during the week of **16 November 2009** at the OECD Conference Centre, La Muette, Paris. The Consultation should provide an opportunity for representatives from NGOs, banking, business, industry and trade unions to exchange views on issues that they wish to discuss with OECD Members in the context of the provision of official export credits, including any comments on the survey responses.

More information on the Consultation, including the exact date and timing, will follow in due course, but, in the meantime, in order to try and ensure that the Consultation will be as interactive and effective as possible, we are inviting all parties to send to the Secretariat by **Friday, 11 September 2009** a list of the issues they would wish to discuss so that we may draft the Agenda for the meeting and circulate this by end-September. Additionally, written submissions to support the issues that all parties may have nominated for discussion should reach the Secretariat by **Friday, 23 October 2008**.

<sup>1</sup> The *OECD Council Recommendation on Bribery and Officially Supported Export Credits* of 14 December 2006 [TD/ECG(2006)24] and the *Revised Council Recommendation on Common Approaches on the Environment and Officially Supported Export Credits* of 12 June 2007 [TAD/ECG(2007)9]

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.oecd.org/department/0,3355,en\\_2649\\_34169\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1,00.html](http://www.oecd.org/department/0,3355,en_2649_34169_1_1_1_1_1,00.html)



I hope that we may have a meaningful exchange of views in November in Paris; in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Julian PAISEY (Tel: +33 (0)1 45 24 99 23, e-mail: [julian.paisey@oecd.org](mailto:julian.paisey@oecd.org)) if you have any questions about either the peer review process or the Consultation meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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