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Dear CTF Trust Fund Committee Members,

The CTF Guidelines for Investment Plans call for the CIF Administrative Unit to inform the Trust Fund Committee of country expressions of interest and all planned joint missions for the preparation of investment plans.

The purpose of this email is to notify you that the World Bank has received a request from the Government of Morocco (dated September 15, 2008) indicating its interest in accessing CTF funds and requesting a joint mission of AfDB, IBRD and IFC to support the government in the preparation of a CTF investment plan. After AfDB and IBRD attended a workshop on December 15, 2008, organized by the Government of Morocco, examining how access to CTF funding could boost the effectiveness of clean technology policies at both national and regional levels, a joint MDB assessment confirmed the potential fit of the country request with the CTF investment criteria.

The joint mission of AfDB, IBRD and IFC will visit Morocco between **February 2-6**, **2009**. The objectives of the mission are to: (i) review the strategic objectives of the government in accessing CTF resources, (ii) agree on the context of the investment plan, and (iii) agree on the types of projects to be submitted for CTF financing. A meeting with other development partners working in Morocco, including UN and bilateral agencies, is panned to ensure proper coordination with such partners.

This mission falls in the category 2 Investment Plan (i.e. public and private sector).

Sincerely,

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