| **SURINAME**  **SUPPORT TO THE INSTITUTIONAL AND OPERATIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE ENERGY SECTOR II**  **(SU-L1035)**  **VERIFICATION MATRIX** | | | |
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| **Objectives** | **Conditions for**  **Second Programmatic PBL (2013)[[1]](#endnote-1)** | **Means of Verification** | **Responsibility** |
| **I. Macroeconomic Stability** | | | |
| I.1. Maintain a stable general Macroeconomic Framework | 1. Macroeconomic framework is consistent with the objectives of the program and with policy letter | Bank assessment taking into account the reviews from IMF, and the annual consultations related to Article IV. | Verification by IDB |
| **II. Development of a Sustainable Power Sector Framework** | | | |
| II.1. Define the regulatory and legal framework to contribute to a more effective power sector with increased efficiency, transparency and accountability. | 1. The first draft of a Policy document that addresses the main guidelines for sector reform and the basic institutional structure for the power sector has been submitted to the Council of Ministers. | Official letter submitted from the MNH to the Council of Ministers presenting the first draft of a Policy Document for consideration | MNH |
| 1. Steps towards the drafting of the legal instruments that will regulate the organization and functioning of the Electricity Sector have been taken. | Terms of References for the consultancy hired to support drafting of regulatory instruments. | MNH |
| II.2. Implementation of institutions with a view to having a commercially-based operation and clear social, economic and financial incentives to achieve efficiency. | 1. A proposal to assign the roles and responsibilities to a sector office for the coordination of the Energy Sector’s affairs has been presented for consideration of and approval by the Council of Ministers. | Official letter submitted from the MNH to the Council of Ministers presenting the proposal for a specific office within the MNH to manage the energy sector affairs and proposal for a specific office within the MNH to manage the energy sector affairs. | MNH |
| 1. A tariff structure proposal, that includes a revision of the subsidy levels, has been submitted to the Council of Ministers for consideration. | Official letter submitted from the MNH to the Council of Ministers presenting Tariff structure proposal and Tariff structure proposal document. | MNH and EBS |
| II.3. Update the expansion strategy of the sector to improve supply efficiency. | 1. A revised draft model of PPA contract was developed by EBS as guideline. | Copy of the revised draft model of the PPA contract document. | EBS |
| 1. The sector expansion plan included basic environmental and social sustainability principles. | Copy of the sector expansion plan/business plan approved by EBS. | EBS |
| 1. The Government of Suriname has approved the financing for the implementation of the Program with Renewable Energy Technologies (RETs). | Signed endorsement letter by Government of Suriname including co-financing for the implementation of the Development of Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Electrification Program. | MNH |
| **III. Strengthen sector corporate capabilities** | | | |
| III.1. Strengthen utility’s capabilities to operate by contributing to improvements in technical tools and corporate governance, transparency and accountability. | 1. EBS Board has approved the expansion plan | Copy of the sector expansion plan/business plan approved by EBS. | EBS |
| 1. EBS develops specific action plans to address fundamental technical recommendations from corporate assessment. | Contract or Letter of Agreement to guide the implementation of the Governance, Risk management, and Compliance (GRC) plan within EBS. | EBS |
| 1. EBS is carrying out a study to strengthen its corporate structure to enhance its governance, transparency and accountability. 2. EBS is making public its operational statistics, preferably on the web. | Progress Report document with a set of recommendations of actions that EBS may take to improve its accountability, as well as a proposal to develop internal auditing procedures.  A public access link to operational information on EBS Website. | EBS |

1. These conditions correspond to the outputs for the Second Programmatic PBP (SU-L1035, Policy Matrix). [↑](#endnote-ref-1)