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Subject: Notification of readiness project inception Ref: 2016/181

This letter is to inform you that the project to implement the grant proposal for *Technical assistance for the ESP and gender policy* as well as *Gender policy* approved by the Adaptation Fund Board on 6th January 2016 has officially started. Details of the project inception are below:

Implementing Entity: Department of Environment

Country: Antigua and Barbuda

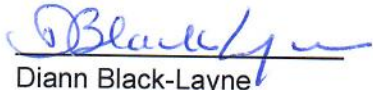
Grant Type: TA Grant for the ESP and gender policy; TA Grant for the gender policy

Project Description: Since January 2016, the DoE has been working closely with the AF Secretariat to develop a direct access project to implement climate adaptation in Antigua's northwest McKinnon's watershed. This project proposal went through several iterations. Based on lessons learned, it was evident that the DoE project staff would significantly benefit from TA support to revise the DoE's ESS policy to better align with the key areas of the AF, as well as its Gender policy. Specifically, the following activities will be supported by the TA grant: screening projects for environmental and social risks, undertaking project environmental and social risk assessment and formulating risk management plans; public disclosure and consultation; and training to carry out implementation.

Project Start Date: October 2017

Expected Project Completion Date: October 2018

Sincerely,



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