

10 February 2020

Mr. Dinh Tien Dung
Minister
Ministry of Finance
No. 28 Tran Hung Dao Street
Hoan Kiem District
Ha Noi, Viet Nam



Dear Mr. Dung:

Subject: **Loan No. 3013-VIE: Central Mekong Delta Region Connectivity Project** *He*
—Amendments to the Loan Agreement

1. We refer to Loan Agreement No. 3013-VIE (“Loan Agreement”) between the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam (“Borrower”) and Asian Development Bank (“ADB”), dated 16 October 2013, for the captioned project. All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning given thereto in the Agreement, unless the context requires otherwise.
2. Following a request from the Borrower dated 20 May 2019, ADB approved on 19 December 2019 changes in the Project concerning, among others, project scope, closing/completion dates, allocation and withdrawal of loan proceeds, and disbursement arrangements. To give effect to the changes, ADB proposes that the Agreement be amended as set out in the attachment hereto.
3. Save and except to the extent set out in the attachment hereto, the Agreement remain unchanged.
4. Pursuant to ADB’s Access to Information Policy (2018) (“AIP”), the amendments to the Agreement will be posted on ADB’s website within 2 weeks from the date that the amendments become effective, after removing any information that falls within the AIP exceptions as specified by the Borrower.
5. Please indicate the Borrower’s concurrence to the amendments set out in the attachment hereto and to the terms of this letter agreement by countersigning each of the two original of this letter agreement in the space indicated below. Please retain one signed original of this letter agreement for your records and return the other to ADB. The proposed amendments shall take effect on the date of receipt by ADB of a signed original of this letter agreement.

Yours sincerely,

Eric Sidgwick
Country Director
Viet Nam Resident Mission

A. Accepted and agreed.

B. Confirmed that the amendments to the Agreement do not contain information falling within the AIP exceptions.



For and on behalf of
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1. In Section 3.05, the Loan Closing Date of "30 June 2020" is hereby deleted and replaced with "30 December 2023".
2. In paragraph 2 of Schedule 1, the following is hereby inserted as additional project component:

“(iv) Construction of a 15.3 km Long Xuyen city bypass and 2 km road connecting the bypass with national highway 91.”
3. In paragraph 3 of Schedule 1, the expected Project completion date of "31 December 2017" is hereby deleted and replaced with "30 June 2023".
4. The Table in the Attachment to Schedule 3 is hereby deleted and substituted with the following:

ALLOCATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF LOAN PROCEEDS (Central Mekong Delta Region Connectivity Project)				
Number	Item	Total Amount Allocated for ADB Financing (\$)		Basis for Withdrawal from the Loan Account
		Category	Subcategory	
1	Works	316,910,158		
1A	Cao Lanh Bridge - OLD		83,065,152	50% of total expenditure claimed
1B	Interconnecting Road		162,120,000	100% of total expenditure claimed
1C	Cao Lanh Bridge - NEW (1)*		4,412,197	20% of total expenditure claimed
1D	Cao Lanh Bridge - NEW (2)		15,444,651	100% of total expenditure claimed
1E	Connecting Road to NH91 and Long Xuyen City Bypass		51,868,158	100% of total expenditure claimed
2	Land Acquisition and Resettlement	57,960,000		100% of total expenditure claimed
3	Consulting Services	6,680,000		100% of total expenditure claimed
4	Interest and Commitment Charges	13,500,000		100% of amounts due
5	Unallocated	14,949,842		
	TOTAL	410,000,000		

* The ADB Loan financing allocated to this Cao Lanh Bridge - NEW (1) item is utilized first pro rata with the Grant, and this arrangement is retroactively applied from 7 December 2017. Thereafter, ADB Loan financing allocated to the Cao Lanh Bridge - NEW (2) item will be utilized.