



**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION**  
Office of the Secretary

B Mobile Building  
P.O Box 6601  
BOROKO, NCD  
[officesec@dec.gov.pg](mailto:officesec@dec.gov.pg)  
Papua New Guinea

Telephone: (675) 301 4500  
Facsimile: (675) 325 0182  
Email:

1 September 2013

**Ms Valerie Hickey**

Task Manager, Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF)  
Lead Biodiversity Specialist, Environment Department  
The World Bank  
1818 11 Street, NW  
Washington DC 20433  
USA

Dear Ms Hickey

**Subject: Endorsement of the CEPF Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot.**

As the GEF Operational Focal Point for Papua New Guinea, by this letter, I am formally informing you that we endorse the investment strategy outlined in the CEPF Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot, and the provision of grants to non-government and private sector organisations for projects and activities that fulfil the programme objectives outlined therein.

In endorsing this CEPF Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot, and in noting that disbursement of funds is through civil society entities, I wish to point out that the Government of Papua New Guinea is working on a national biodiversity trust fund initiative which will serve as a vehicle to effectively coordinate and manage delivery of protected areas in the country. I hope that donors will be able to support this initiative in the future.

We understand that each of the CEPF donor partners (Global Environment Facility, l'Agence Francaise de Developpement, Conservation International, the European Union, the Government of Japan, the MacArthur Foundation, and the World Bank) has committed funding to the CEPF initiative and that each of these donors supports the Ecosystem Profile.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that the Ecosystem Profile is in line with our commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Yours sincerely



**Gunther Joku**  
Acting Secretary



MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE, DISASTER MANAGEMENT & METEOROLOGY

P O BOX 21, HONIARA, SOLOMON ISLANDS

February 5, 2012

Ms. Valerie Hickey  
Task Manager, Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund  
Lead Biodiversity Specialist, Environment Department  
The World Bank  
1818 H Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20433  
USA

Dear Ms. Hickey,

**Subject: GEF Operational Focal Point for Solomon Islands Endorsement of the CEPF Ecosystem Profile for East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot**

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Solomon Islands, I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Hotspot, and the provision of grants to nongovernment and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined therein.

We understand that each of the CEPF donor partners (Global Environment Facility, l'Agence Francaise de Developpement, Conservation International, the European Union, the Government of Japan, the MacArthur Foundation, and the World Bank) has committed funding to the CEPF initiative and that each of these donors supports the Ecosystem Profile. We also understand that CEPF has made the Ecosystem Profile publicly available.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that the Ecosystem Profile is in line with our commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joe HOROKOU  
GEF Operational Focal Point - Solomon Islands  
Director, Environment and Conservation Division  
Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology

DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
AND CONSERVATION  
Private Mail Bag 9063  
Port Vila  
REPUBLIC OF VANUATU



BUREAU DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT  
Sac Postage Privé 9063  
Port Vila  
REPUBLIQUE DE VANUATU

Tel: (678) 25302

Fax: (678) 22227

Email: [environment@vanuatu.com.vu](mailto:environment@vanuatu.com.vu)

---

ENV.310/002/13/TT/tt

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013

Ms. Valerie Hickey  
Task Manager, Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund  
Lead Biodiversity Specialist, Environment Department  
The World Bank  
1818 H Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20433,  
USA

Fax: ++1 202-522-0367

**Subject: GEF Operational Focal Point for Vanuatu endorsement of the CEPF  
Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot**

Dear Ms. Hickey,

As the Global Environment Facility Operational Focal Point for the Government of Vanuatu, I endorse the investment strategy outlined in the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund Ecosystem Profile for the East Melanesian Islands Biodiversity Hotspot, and the provision of grants to nongovernment and private sector organizations for projects and activities that fulfill the programmatic objectives outlined therein.

We understand that each of the CEPF donor partners (Global Environment Facility, l'Agence Française de Développement, Conservation International, the European Union, the Government of Japan, the MacArthur Foundation, and the World Bank) has committed funding to the CEPF initiative and that each of these donors supports the Ecosystem Profile. We also understand that CEPF has made the Ecosystem Profile publicly available.

In providing this endorsement, we confirm that the Ecosystem Profile is in line with our commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Yours sincerely,

*fw*  
*AW*

Mr. Albert Abel Williams,  
**Director,**

Department of Environmental Protection and Conservation,  
PMB 9063, George Pompidou Building,  
Port Vila, Shea Province,  
Vanuatu

