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Subject: No-cost extension request: MDGF-1919 – *“Enhancing Access to and Provision of Water Services with the Active Participation of the Poor”* – Democratic Economic Governance - Thematic Window

## **I. Approval Status**

We are pleased to inform you that, as per your request, the MDG-F Secretariat has granted the Joint Programme *“Enhancing Access to and Provision of Water Services with the Active Participation of the Poor”* a no cost extension of six (6) months thus the new end date of the programme is 01 December 2012. Please note that this is a one-time only extension intended to allow the Joint Programme to complete its activities and achieve its expected results. At this end date, the programme should be operationally closed, so that no new financial commitments are made, only outstanding payments. Any unspent funds within the agreed timeframe (01 December 2012) will have to be reimbursed to the MDG-F.

## **II. Recommendations**

This no cost extension is intended to allow the programme to conduct its mid-term evaluation. We are aware that a proposal for supplementary funding is being reviewed by the MDG-F Secretariat. Once approved, an additional no-cost extension will be provided, to allow the implementation of the additional activities proposed; taking into account that the maximum end date of the programme would be June 30, 2013.

## **III. Monitoring and Reporting**

Quarterly color-coded annual work plans, and biannual monitoring reports should continue to be prepared and submitted to the MDG-F Secretariat. Please be reminded that each Joint Programme is responsible for conducting its final evaluation prior to the closure of the programme and sharing the final report with the MDG-F Secretariat.

We would highly appreciate it if you could forward this memo to all participating UN agencies to the joint programme, and each participating UN agency should forward the memo to their corresponding HQs. Further information on the closure of programmes is available on the revised “MDG-F Joint Implementation Guidelines” uploaded on the MDG-F website ([www.mdgfund.org](http://www.mdgfund.org)).

With best wishes.

cc.:

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