

IFC ADVISORY #9**April 2, 2007****Information contact: Lucie Giraud****Tel: 202-458-4662****E-mail: lgiraud@ifc.org****IFC EHS Guidelines Update**

IFC is currently reviewing the public comments provided for 56 industry sector Environmental, Health, and Safety Guidelines (EHS Guidelines) and the General EHS Guidelines which have been posted for public comment in groups starting on August 2, 2006, with the most recent group posted on February 28, 2007.

IFC will publish these documents in final form on the IFC website on April 30, 2007.

Six (6) additional documents remain under preparation and will be posted for public comment over the next few weeks as they are completed. They include the industry sector EHS Guidelines for Mining; Water and Sanitation; Waste Management Facilities; Pulp and Paper Mills; Thermal Power; and Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals Manufacturing (formerly named "General Chemicals Manufacturing"). Existing documents for these sectors will remain in use until the review and update process for their replacement is completed.

As of April 30th, 2007, the replaced EHS Guidelines will be archived on the IFC Guidelines webpage (www.ifc.org/ifcext/enviro.nsf/Content/EnvironmentalGuidelines)
