

BIODIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES PROGRAM

AMENDMENT No. 1

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS No. 2009-1/Soy

APRIL 22, 2009

The Biodiversity and Agricultural Commodities Program (BACP), a program of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the IFC, and several donors, hereby issues Amendment No. 1 to Request for Grant Application No. 2009-1/Soy.

I. Purpose of the Amendment No. 1

This Amendment No. 1 is made to reflect the following:

- a. To extend the Round 1 due date from May 8th to May 15th, 2009 in order to allow sufficient time for all proposals to be written in, or translated into, English.
- b. To provide additional details on the applicants' conferences.

II. Text of the RFA No. 2009-1/Soy is Amended as follows:

A. By deleting in its entirety the following from the Original RFA Cover Letter:

This RFA will be in effect for 12 months from the date of publication (April 3, 2009 to April 3, 2010) and applicants are encouraged to submit their project concepts at any time during this period. Evaluation of project concepts, however, will be done in accordance to the schedule presented below. Project concepts received after the cut-off dates outlined below will be evaluated in the next round.

Round 1:

Project concepts submitted before May 8, 2009 will be evaluated in May and June, 2009

Round 2:

Project concepts submitted before December 1, 2009 will be evaluated in January, 2010

An applicants' conference will be held in Brazil in April, 2009 to provide applicants with the opportunity to ask questions regarding the BACP and the application process. Participation in the applicants' conference is optional but highly encouraged. Details of the time and location of this applicants' conference will be sent by e-mail separately and will be posted on www.bacp.net.

B. And inserting in its place the following:

This RFA will be in effect for 12 months from the date of publication (April 3, 2009 to April 2, 2010) and applicants are encouraged to submit their project concepts at any time during this period. Evaluation of project concepts, however, will be done in accordance to the schedule presented below. Project concepts received after the cut-off dates outlined below will be evaluated in the next round.

Round 1:

Project applications submitted before **May 15, 2009** will be reviewed during the evaluation and award process that begins in May 2009.

Round 2:

Project applications submitted before **December 1, 2009** will be reviewed during the evaluation and award process that begins in December 2009.

BACP will host two applicants' conferences in Brazil in April, 2009 to provide applicants with the opportunity to ask questions regarding the BACP and the application process. Participation in the applicants' conference is optional but highly encouraged. Details of the time and location of this applicants' conference is found below and will be posted on www.bacp.net.

April 27, 2009: São Paulo, SP

Location: The International Finance Corporation (IFC)
 Room I, 19th floor
 Edifício Torre Sul
 Rua James Joule, 65 - 19th floor
 Cidade Monções
 São Paulo, SP (Next to the Hilton International Hotel)

Time: 2PM – 5PM

Special Instructions: To enter the IFC building all visitors must have an identification and must go through a security checkpoint. Please allow time to go through security. At the receptionist desk please indicate that you are attending the BACP meeting in the 19th floor, and that the IFC Contact Person is Catia Hernandez. Street parking is available as well as valet parking (Valet Parking Costs: R\$ 9 for the first hour and R\$ 4 for each additional hour).

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April 29, 2009: Cuiabá, MT

Location: Auditorio da Secretaria de Meio Ambiente
Parque Municipal Massairo Okamura
Cuiabá, MT

Time: 9AM – 12 noon

If you are planning on attending any of the conferences above, kindly send an e-mail to bacppmu@chemonics.com indicating how many people will be attending from your organization and which of the two events you are planning to attend.

All other terms and conditions of the Original RFA and any subsequent amendments remain in effect.

— End of Amendment No. 1 —