Revision of the World Bank Group (WBG) Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines for Cement and Lime Manufacturing

Summary of Comments Received During the First Consultation

GENERAL

- Stakeholder comments received are minor and primarily related to clarifications regarding pollution prevention and control of sources of air emissions, including emissions from power generation, quantification of greenhouse gas emissions, and management of mercury emissions.

ENVIRONMENT

- Stakeholders recommended clarifying if emissions guidelines are applicable to process emissions or power generation related emissions (since not all combustion sources are producing steam, alternatively hot water, hot air, etc. can also be produced besides mechanical/electrical power).

- Stakeholders requested guidance on quantification of greenhouse gas emissions. Additional text has been added in Section 1.1 Greenhouse Gases (GHGs), paragraph 18 as follows: “18. GHG emissions associated with the cement or lime manufacturing project and associated thermal power generation should be quantified annually in accordance with internationally recognized methodologies and good practices.” Subsequent guidance provides recommended practices to manage GHG emissions.

- Stakeholders requested guidance on mercury emissions, and reference to the Minamata Convention on Mercury. Reference to the Convention has been inserted in Section 1.1 Heavy Metals, paragraph 35 and associated footnotes, in addition to technical guidance from the Convention for the management of mercury emissions.