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To: **Mr. PRADEEP KURUKULASURIYA**  
**GEF Executive Coordinator**  
Director, Sustainable Development Department (Environment), a.i.  
Executive Coordinator, Global Environment Finance  
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United Nations Development Programme  
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Subject: Endorsement for project "Strengthening the transboundary IWRM in the Sixaola River Basin shared by Costa Rica and Panamá"

In my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point for Panama, I confirm that the above project proposal (a) is in accordance with my government's national priorities and our commitment to the relevant global environmental conventions; and (b) was discussed with relevant stakeholders, including the global environmental convention focal points.

I am pleased to endorse the preparation of the above project proposal with the support of the GEF Agency(ies) listed below. If approved, the proposal will be prepared and implemented by UNDP Panama Country Office. I request the GEF Agency(ies) to provide a copy of the project document before it is submitted to the GEF Secretariat for CEO endorsement.

The total financing (from GEFTF, LDCF, SCCF) being requested for this project is US\$4,997,150, inclusive of project preparation grant (PPG), if any, and Agency fees for project cycle management services associated with the total GEF grant. The financing requested is detailed in the table below.

Source of Funds	GEF Agency	Focal Area	Amount (in US\$)			
			Project Preparation	Project	Fee	Total
GEFTF	UNDP	International Waters	150,000	4,386,210	430,940	4,997,150
Total GEF Resources			150,000	4,386,210	430,940	4,997,150

Sincerely,

  
Isis Gaudin

JEFE DE LA OFICINA INTERNACIONAL DE ASUNTOS A.I.  
PUNTO DE ENFOQUE OPERATIVO DEL FMAM

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cc: Convention Focal Point for UNFCCC  
Convention Focal Point for UNCBD  
Convention Focal Point for UNCCD  
Convention Focal Point for Stockholm (POPs)  
Convention Focal Point for Minamata Convention

