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Independent Recourse Mechanism

Request number: 2006/01

Project name: BTC Pipeline (Georgia)

Project number: 18806

Country: Georgia

Nature of complaint: Damage to land and livelihoods

Step	Date	Remarks
1. Receipt of partial complaint	6 October 2006	Translation of complaint from Georgian to English finalised on 13 October 2006
2. Clarification sought by IRM	18 October 2006	
3. Receipt of finalised complaint	24 October 2006	Translation of additional text from Georgian to English received on 1 November 2006
4. Notification of registration under RP17 sent to Affected Group	3 November 2006	
5. Notification of registration sent to BTC Company, including request for comments on complaint	3 November 2006	
6. Eligibility Assessor appointed	8 November 2006	Owen McIntyre
7. Eligibility Assessment Report completed and submitted to President Lemierre (IRM, RP 30(b))	6 February 2007	Recommendation that complainant be held eligible for further processing towards a Problem Solving Initiative but that a Compliance Review was not warranted
8. Eligibility Assessment Report transmitted to the Board of Directors for a decision on the recommendation of the Eligibility Assessors (IRM, RP 30(b))	16 February 2007	Board information session held on 27 February 2007
9. Board of Directors decides to approve the recommendation of the Eligibility Assessors (IRM, RP 31 (a))	2 March 2007	Complaint held eligible for further processing towards a Problem Solving Initiative
10. Complainants and BTC Co, informed of the Board's decision under RP 31(a) (IRM, RP 32)	20 March 2007	
11. Owen McIntyre meets in Tbilisi with representatives of BP/BTC	2 April 2007	
12. Owen McIntyre meets in Tbilisi with the Authorised Representatives of the Affected Group	4 April 2007	Visit to the site of the complaint undertaken by Owen McIntyre

13. Dr.Owen McIntyre was appointed as the Problem-Solving Facilitator	20 April 2007	
14. Draft of the Terms of References (TORs) pertaining to the mooted PSI Report has been submitted to BTC for commenting purposes	29 May 2007	
15. The translated version of the draft of the TORs has been submitted to the Affected group representatives for commenting purposes	4 June 2007	
16. The CCO received a complaint from an individual claiming to be as well affected by the BTC project.	6 June 2007	The CCO concluded that individual's complaint was in relation with the BTC project and its substance was reasonably related to the complaint raised by the Affected group.
17. The CCO decided to proceed to a Joinder of complaints, pursuant to IRM, RP 13	6 June 2007	
18. A Notice of Joinder of complaint was sent to the representatives of the Affected Group	8 June 2007	The Affected Group's representatives will henceforth represent the individual and assimilate his complaint to theirs. The affected group representative will therefore represent and act for the benefit of all.
19. A Notice of Joinder of complaint was sent to BTC's representatives	18 June 2007	
20. Notice of time extension sent to the Authorised Representative of the Affected Group, pursuant to IRM, RP 14	19 September 2007	
21. Problem-solving Initiative ("PSI") Report submitted to the President for consideration and decision (RP45)	21 September 2007	Recommendation from CCO that a PSI should not be initiated on the basis that inter alia it is unlikely to have a positive result/ elements of the complaint cannot be de-linked from ongoing court action. (RP43)
22. President decides under RP45 (1) to accept the recommendation of the CCO as contained in the PSI Report and (2) not to conduct a PSI	6 November 2007	
23. Authorised Representative of the Affected Group and the	12 November 2007	Processing of the complaint under the

Relevant Parties made aware of the President's decision under RP45		IRM finalised
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