

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Regional Development Mission-Asia (RDM-Asia)
<b>Program Title:</b>	U.S. Asia Environmental Partnership
<b>Pillar:</b>	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	498-009
<b>Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:</b>	\$9,800,000 DA
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$403,000 DA
<b>Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:</b>	\$10,500,000 DA
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	FY 1992
<b>Year of Final Obligation:</b>	FY 2008

**Summary:** The United States - Asia Environmental Partnership (US-AEP) is a regional program that promotes environmentally sustainable growth and improved quality of life in six Asian countries - India, Indonesia, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam. The goal of the program is to foster cleaner cities and industries in Asia. Activities concentrate on public policy and environmental regulation, urban and industrial environmental management, and the clean production of efficient use of energy. US-AEP seeks to achieve this objective by facilitating partnerships between governments, NGOs, academia, and the private sector in the U.S. and Asia, as well as regional partnerships within Asia. US-AEP collaborates with and mobilizes resources from other donors and partners, such as the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the United Nations, bilateral organizations, U.S. states, other U.S. Government agencies (such as the Environmental Protection Agency) and the private sector.

### Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

#### FY 2004 Program:

Improved environmental governance through strengthened regulatory framework and institutional reform (\$3,300,000 DA). To encourage more efficient and transparent regulatory institutions, USAID will provide technical assistance and training to strengthen the capacity of Asian public and private sector entities to develop, implement, and enforce sound environmental policies. Planned activities include: an environmental services management project for cities in Thailand that emphasizes financial management, cost recovery, and community development; the development of a roadmap in Sri Lanka to improve service delivery, financial management, and planning skills of local entities; and continued support to the Mekong River Commission and its member states (which include Thailand and Vietnam) to develop regional policies to improve water quality in the Mekong basin. To further promote transparency and good governance, USAID will support increased involvement of civil society in environmental decision making through education programs, exchanges, training, and grants to NGOs. Such activities will include: a community-based environmental management program that links stakeholders from the Thachin River Basin in Thailand, the Laguna de Bay in the Philippines, and the Chesapeake Bay in the United States; a community initiative to reduce pollution in canals in Ho Chi Minh City; and training programs and public forums to support the introduction of lead-free fuel in major urban centers in Indonesia. Principal contractors/grantees include Institute for International Education, Louis Berger Group, PADCO, and The Asia Foundation.

Improved urban environmental performance through promotion of best practices in environmental management, technology, and resource efficiency (\$4,200,000 DA, \$403,000 DA Prior Year Unobligated). USAID will fund initiatives at both the country and regional levels to improve air and water quality and waste management through technical assistance, exchanges, and the sharing of information. Activities will include: diesel pollution reduction in Bangkok; air quality monitoring in Ho Chi Minh City; mobile emission controls in Sri Lanka; solid waste management training in India; and training for cities and industries in India, the Philippines, and Vietnam on the management of hazardous wastes. USAID will facilitate the sharing of best practices to support fuel and emissions standards in the Philippines, Vietnam, and Indonesia. Given the scarcity of water in Asia, USAID will continue to fund activities to promote best

practices in water use, including a certification and training program for water supply and wastewater operators in Vietnam; programs in India to improve access to and the quality of water; and assistance to key Indonesian institutions in moving towards efficient water management, thus increasing access to clean piped water, especially for the urban poor. USAID will partner with the Southeast Asia Water Utilities Network, a regional body that it helped to create, to accelerate regional cooperation for certification of water and wastewater treatment operators in Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. Principal contractors/grantees include Institute for International Education, Louis Berger Group, PADCO, ICMA, and The Asia Foundation.

Improved industrial environmental performance through promotion of best practices in environmental management, technology, and resource efficiency (\$2,300,000 DA). USAID will promote environmental management practices such as cleaner production, renewable and efficient energy, waste minimization, and environmental management systems. Planned activities include: supporting cooperation between government and industry through the Philippines Environment Partnership Program; increasing industry participation in cleaner production in Sri Lanka; introducing environmental technologies to reduce industrial pollution in India; strengthening environmental management planning for industry in Vietnam, particularly in the textile and chemical sectors; and promoting energy savings improvements in the hotel sectors in India, Indonesia, and Sri Lanka. These activities will lead to more efficient and less polluting manufacturing, as well as more efficient use of energy and a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Principal contractors/grantees include Alliance to Save Energy, Institute for International Education, Louis Berger Group, and The Asia Foundation.

**FY 2005 Program:**

USAID plans to continue and build on the program's focus areas.

Improved environmental governance through strengthened regulatory framework and institutional reform (\$4,500,000 DA). This program will continue to be a key element of USAID's work. Principal contractors/grantees will be the same as in FY 2004.

Improved urban environmental performance through promotion of best practices in environmental management, technology, and resource efficiency (\$4,000,000 DA). Depending on the success of the air, water and waste management initiatives in the urban sector, USAID may extend its technical assistance and training activities to other cities and regions. Principal contractors/grantees are to include Institute for International Education, Louis Berger Group, PADCO, and The Asia Foundation.

New initiatives (\$2,000,000 DA). New opportunities in industrial environmental management, energy efficiency, and renewable energy will be pursued. Principal contractors/grantees are to include Alliance to Save Energy, Institute for International Education, and Louis Berger Group.

**Performance and Results:** Through a network of regional partnerships and programs, the US-AEP Program is making cities cleaner and more efficient, industries less polluting and more competitive, and regulatory institutions more effective in protecting the environment. Throughout the past year, US-AEP successfully partnered with Asian counterparts in the development and implementation of improved environmental policies, better management of urban environmental services, adoption of less polluting industrial practices, and implementation of energy efficiency measures - all leading to cleaner cities and industries throughout the region. During FY 2003, the US-AEP program supported the development and continuation of 113 US-Asian partnerships and mobilized over \$2.6 million in donor, private sector, and host country funds.

## US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

### Regional Development Mission-Asia (RDM-Asia)

	DA	ESF
498-009 U.S. Asia Environmental Partnership		
<b>Through September 30, 2002</b>		
Obligations	110,058	2,500
Expenditures	93,087	0
Unliquidated	16,971	2,500
<b>Fiscal Year 2003</b>		
Obligations	12,032	0
Expenditures	12,011	1,061
<b>Through September 30, 2003</b>		
Obligations	122,090	2,500
Expenditures	105,098	1,061
Unliquidated	16,992	1,439
<b>Prior Year Unobligated Funds</b>		
Obligations	403	0
<b>Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA</b>		
Obligations	9,800	0
<b>Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004</b>		
Obligations	10,203	0
<b>Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA</b>		
Obligations	10,500	0
Future Obligations	16,000	0
Est. Total Cost	158,793	2,500