



LAC-IEE-04-20

ENVIRONMENTAL THRESHOLD DECISION

Activity Location : Colombia

Program/Activity Number : SO2 514-008 (IQC PCE-I-00-99-00001-00)

Program Activity Title : Provide Economic and Social Alternatives to Illicit Crop Production

Sub-activity Name : Pesticide Evaluation Report and Safer Use Action Plan (PERSUAP) for Cocoa and Oil Palm of the Colombia Agribusiness Partnership Program (CAPP)/ARD

Funding : \$20,737,000

Life of Project : FY 2000 to 2006

Supplemental IEE and PERSUAP Prepared by : Gabriel Escobar, MEO USAID/Colombia, and Mario Pareja, Consultant - Environment & Development

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Recommended Threshold Decision : A Negative Determination with conditions is recommended on the basis of the completion by Colombia Agribusiness Partnership Program (CAPP)/ARD of a PERSUAP for pesticide use, addressing USAID's Pesticide Procedures, pursuant to 22 CFR 216.3 (b)(1)(i)(a - l). This PERSUAP is attached for approval by the LAC/BEO.

Bureau Threshold Decision : Concur with Recommendation

Comments:

The Threshold Decision is based on the completion by CAD for USAID/Colombia of a PERSUAP amendment for pesticide use, addressing USAID's Pesticide Procedures, pursuant to 22 CFR 216.3 (b)(1)(i)(a - l). An **overall condition is that the USAID Regional Environmental Advisor for South America will review the compliance to these conditions at least once each year of implementation.**

In case future commodities, pests and pesticide products are considered under the CAPP program implemented by ARD, but not covered in the present PERSUAP, a **further general condition is**

stipulated. An additional amendment to the PERSUAP shall be submitted, pursuant 22 CFR 216.3 (b)(1)(i)(a - l). Any additional amendment to the PERSUAP must be cleared by the USAID-Colombia MEO and USAID-South America REA before submission to the Mission Director for signature and before review by the BEO. Finally, the **third general condition is that all recommendations in the present PERSUAP for the CAPP program in Colombia, will be adhered to and all mitigating actions shall be part of ARD's or other implementing agents' contracts or grants.**

CTOs are responsible for making sure environmental requirements are met. It is the responsibility of the SO Team to ensure that the SOAG and MAARDs or contracts and grants contain specific instructions to this effect.

Date

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