



LAC-IEE-04-04

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

Activity Location : Nicaragua

Activity Title : Ruling Justly: More responsive, transparent governance

Activity Number : 524-021

Funding : \$39,500,000 (life of Strategic Objective)

Life of Activity : FY03 – FY08

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Reference : LAC-IEE-03-51

Recommended Threshold Decision : Categorical Exclusion

Bureau Threshold Decision : Concur with Recommendation

Comments:

This amends the referenced Categorical Exclusion to correct the Life of the Activity to end in FY08 in lieu of FY06. The rest of the substance of LAC-IEE-03-51 remains unchanged.

The Strategic Objective will use technical assistance and training for the Government of Nicaragua to improve the judicial system and increase the government's accountability and transparency. It also seeks to strengthen public and private institutions in ethics, accountability, procurement transparency and disclosure.

Pursuant to 22 CFR 216.2(c)(2)(i) and (xiv), a **Categorical Exclusion** is granted to this Strategic Objective, whose activities involve education, technical assistance and training, and support to develop the capability of the recipient country in development planning, as described in the IEE, that will not have an impact on the natural or physical environment.

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