| Host Country: | Samoa |
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| Name of Borrower: | Digicell Samoa |
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| U.S. Sponsor: | Citibank, N.A. |
| Foreign Sponsor: | NA |
| Project Description: | Expansion of a cellular telecommunications network |
| Total Project Cost: | \$15,000,000 |
| Proposed OPIC Loan: | \$2,778,750 |
| Developmental Effects: | This project will have a positive |
| • | developmental impact on Samoa. Digicel will expand telecommunications infrastructure in rural areas, create local jobs, and lower local prices for cellular |
| | service. Digicel will sponsor secondary school sports, cultural, and academic programs in Samoa. |
| Environment: | The project has been screened as Category B because the environmental impacts are site-specific and readily mitigated. The project must adhere to the applicable provisions of the 2007 International Finance Corporation (IFC) Environmental, Health and Safety Guidelines for Telecommunications. The project is prohibited from engaging in construction activities which would negatively impact an internationally recognized protected area or critical forest habitat. |
| Workers Rights | OPIC's statutorily required standard worker rights language will be supplemented with provisions concerning the right of association, organization and collective bargaining, minimum age requirements, hours of work, minimum wages, timely payment of wages, and hazardous working situations. Standard and supplemental contract language will be applied to all workers of the Project. |
| Human Rights | In consultation with the Department of State, the project received a human rights clearance on July 3, 2008. |