Information Summary for the Public

Host Country:	Chile
Name of Borrower:	Driscoll Strawberry Associates, Inc.
U.S. Sponsor:	Driscoll Strawberry Associates, Inc.
Foreign Sponsor:	Inversiones Driscoll Chile Limitada, a Chilean company
Project Description:	Proceeds of this loan will increase the Borrower's ownership of Inversiones Driscoll Chile Limitada from 50% to 80%, and it will expand production of blueberries in Chile through medium and long-term investments in plantations and infrastructure.
Total Project Cost:	\$24 million
Proposed OPIC Loan:	\$21 million
Developmental Effects:	This project has a strong developmental impact on the host country. Local rural economies depend on the agriculture industry as a source of jobs in the farming, packing, trucking, servicing, supplying, and management sectors. This project will increase job opportunities in these sectors throughout the rural regions of Chile. Furthermore, the project will introduce sustainable farming practices and techniques to the rural Chilean economy. The U.S. investor is expected to invest significant resources in training and enrichment programs to help Chilean independent farmers grow the safest and freshest berries possible.
Environment:	Medium-scale agriculture is screened as a Category B project under OPIC's environmental guidelines because impacts are site-specific and readily mitigated. The major issues of concern related to such agricultural projects are water use and the use of agrochemicals (pesticides and fertilizers).

Applicable Standards.

The Project and its contractors will be required to perform agricultural activities in accordance with (i) applicable provisions of the International Finance Corporation's (IFC) 2007 General Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines; (ii) IFC's EHS Guidelines for Plantations; (iii) IFC's Performance Standard 3 (including pesticide use and management); and (iv) all applicable environmental, health, and safety requirements of Chile with respect to the Project. In addition, the Borrower will be required to maintain GLOBEGAP, EUROGAP, or other international Good Agricultural Practices certification.

Impacts and Mitigation Measures.

The Project is located in a rural area on land that is already in agricultural use. The site is not located near any area of cultural or ecological significance and will not result in any adverse impacts on protected areas or critical habitats. The Project will not result in physical or economic displacement.

The Project's greenhouse gas emissions are insignificant as it does not use any major combustion device.

The Project only abstracts water from permitted wells that ensures its availability to other users. The Project follows acceptable safety provisions regarding agrochemical usage. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are used for specifying agrochemical handling procedures. Chemical controls are only used when mechanical and biological controls have failed to control pests and only used as an adjunct to the mechanical and biological controls. The use of agrochemicals is minimized and the usage rates do not

	exceed: (i) the allowable limits for
	pesticide residues on agricultural products
	as defined by the export markets; and (ii)
	product label recommendations for
	application rates on blueberries. All fields
	are vacated before the application of
	pesticides. Workers handling
	agrochemicals are properly trained and
	apply these agrochemicals under proper
	supervision. All hazardous materials are
	properly stored. Contaminated surface
	runoff is prevented from reaching
	groundwater, drinking water supplies, or
	any other surface water body. The Project
	will be required to submit an acceptable
	Pest Management Plan. In addition, the
	Project will be required to submit Annual
TV 1 DI I	Reports on its performance.
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, timely payment of all
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	legally-mandated wages, and hours of work. Standard and supplemental contract
	language will be applied to all workers of
	the Project.
Human Rights	In consultation with the Department of
Tuman Nights	State, the project received a Human Rights
	Clearance on April 13, 2009.
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