

Information Summary for the Public

Host Country:	Afghanistan
Name of Co-Borrowers:	Summit Associates, Ltd., a New York corporation (“Summit US”) and Summit Associates, Ltd., an Afghan company (“Summit Afghanistan”)
U.S. Sponsor:	Reha (Ray) Mustafa Celikay Ahmet Celikay
Foreign Sponsor:	N/A
Project Description:	Expansion of UHT milk and Tetra-Pak juice production, and distribution throughout Afghanistan
Total Project Cost:	\$9,000,000
Proposed OPIC Loan:	\$6,000,000
Developmental Effects:	The project will have a positive impact on the Afghan economy. It will generate significant employment and all employees will receive training. The company applies an equal employment policy compliant with ILO Convention 111 standards. In addition, the company provides favorable workplace treatment to women well beyond Afghan social norms. The project will provide additional benefits for workers and the local community like medical coverage, meals, transportation, housing assistance, bonuses, and donations to local schools. Lastly, the project has a strong technology and knowledge transfer impact by introducing the first domestically produced ultra-high temperature (UHT) milk and Tetra Pak juices to Afghanistan.
Environment:	<p>Projects involving food production and storage are screened as Category B projects under OPIC’s environmental guidelines because impacts are site specific and readily mitigated. The major environmental concerns associated with the project relate to maintenance of hygienic conditions at production and storage facilities, and disposal of solid waste and wastewaters. Occupational safety and siting of the facilities are also concerns.</p> <p>Applicable Standards. The project will be required to construct and operate the facility in accordance with (i) applicable provisions of the International Finance Corporation’s April 30, 2007 General Environmental and Health and Safety Guidelines; (ii) the 2007 International Finance Corporation’s Environmental, Health and Safety Guidelines for Dairy Processing; and (iii) the 2006 World Health Organization (WHO) Guidelines for the Safe use of Wastewater, Excreta and Greywater, Volume 4: Excreta and Greywater use in Agriculture; and (iv) all applicable environmental, health and safety requirements of Afghanistan.</p>

	<p>Impacts and Mitigation Measures. The project sites include an existing dairy facility located on three hectares of Government of Afghanistan land, 12 kilometers north of Kunduz, and a 0.96 hectare parcel of industrial land in the Pul-i-Charki Industrial Zone of Kabul. The project sites are not located in a floodplain or near areas of cultural or ecological significance. The project will not result in adverse impacts on protected areas or critical habitats. The project will not result in physical or economic displacement, or impacts on cultural properties. Therefore IFC Performance Standards 5, 7 and 8 are not applicable. The project is not expected to generate significant greenhouse gas emissions (total greenhouse gas emissions are estimated at 5,300 tons/year).</p> <p>Summit is seeking an OPIC direct loan to finance the construction of a 5,000 metric ton (MT) multi-purpose storage facility in Kabul, on land owned by the company and currently containing a near-completed cold storage facility. The foundation for this building is already in place. At the dairy facility in Kunduz, Summit will construct a 2,000 MT dry storage warehouse on the same 3-hectare property on which the dairy is currently located. Both of these units will house finished milk and juice products destined for the Afghan consumer market. In addition, Summit will procure additional filler machines to maximize its output at the dairy facility.</p> <p>The project will use non-fat dry powdered milk in its process. Packaged milk can be stored at room temperature conditions for up to one year without spoiling, thereby allowing perishable goods to be distributed over large distances without the need for cooling. Process water for the dairy facility is obtained from two 78-meter deep wells located on site. Water obtained from these wells undergoes reverse osmosis treatment before use. Wastewater that is generated at the facility is treated using a BIOTAL wastewater treatment system.</p> <p>The project does not currently operate under an official Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) Plan or Occupational Health and Safety Plan (OHSP), and will be required to develop and submit both plans as a condition of OPIC support. The project will be prohibited from receiving or processing raw milk unless a hygienic custody chain is established and demonstrated.</p>
Workers Rights	<p>OPIC’s statutorily required standard worker rights language will be supplemented with provisions concerning the right of association, organization and collective bargaining, minimum age, minimum wage, timely payment of wages, hours of work, and hazardous working conditions. Standard and supplemental contract language will be applied to all workers of the Project.</p>
Human Rights	<p>In consultation with the Department of State, the project received a Human Rights Clearance on January 14, 2010.</p>