

International Finance Corporation (IFC) Equator Principles
2009 Compliance Statement

**Financial Industry Benchmarking for Managing Social and Environmental Risk in
Project Financing**

Manulife Financial Corporation has been a member of the IFC Equator Principles since April 2005 and has adopted in its Environmental Policy and Procedures the revised **Equator Principles Financial Institutions (EPFI)** that were promulgated in July 2006.

According to Principle #10, EPFI members are requested to identify project financing projects in developing countries that are in excess of US\$10 million and to confirm that these investments and projects have been implemented in a socially and environmentally responsible manner. Manulife's internal Environmental Policy and Procedures also require that annual environmental reviews be performed.

The following significant project financing and investments have been reviewed by Manulife's Chief Environmental Officer for adherence to the adopted EPFI Principles and compliance with the Company's Environmental Policy and Procedures.

Business Unit/Affiliate: Manulife Insurance (Malaysia) Berhad

Region: EAST ASIA

Sector: INFRASTRUCTURE

Project 1

Independent Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) were performed for the last phases of a joint venture highway project in Malaysia in accordance with the Environmental Policy adopted by the consortium as part of its social responsibility initiatives. The joint venture project financing undertook the part-construction, operation and maintenance of a 772-km North-South Expressway, the 35-km New Klang Valley Expressway, the 169-km Federal Highway Route 2 between Subang and Klang, and the 23-km Seremban-Port Dickson Highway.

Project 2

The joint venture partners undertake the design, financing, construction and completion of government office complexes and residential housing for government officers. This project complies with Manulife's Environmental Policy and Procedures, although no local requirements exist for EIA studies in this type of joint venture project that involves leasing and construction of government complexes and residential housing.

Project 3

The joint venture undertakes the privatization of the Sungai Semenyih Water Supply Scheme from the Selangor State Government under a 30-year concession. Financing for this legacy project assumed the operation of existing water treatment plants and their infrastructure. The construction of the plants required approval of certain EIA studies before its construction for review and approval by the local authorities and original investors.

Compliance statements for the above projects confirm that project financing has been safeguarded against negative impacts on ecosystems or communities and where negative impacts have been identified, they have been mitigated and/or compensated for appropriately by the Company.

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