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Initial Project Summary – Pakistan Power Resources

Project Location: District Ghotki, Pakistan

Name of US Applicant: Walters Power International, LLC

Project Description: The Project involves construction of a thermal power plant with a capacity to generate 133.5 mega Watts of electricity (MW_e) in Pakistan. The Project will use natural gas as fuel which will be sourced from the nearby Mari Deep field. The Project will generate power using two 42 MW gas turbines and one 45 MW steam generator. The Project will occupy a 27.69 hectare plot of land. Water will be withdrawn at a rate of 264.3 cubic meters (2.6 cusecs) per hour using tube wells that will use seepage from Dahar Wah Upper (design discharge of 200 cusecs) and Dahar Wah Lower (design discharge of 663 cusecs) canals.

Environmental and Social Categorization and Rationale: The Project has been screened as Category A because it involves the construction of major infrastructure that has the potential to impact ambient air quality and water availability. The major environmental and social risks associated with the project include the potential for nitrogen oxides releases (from power generation units) to impact beyond the project boundary, waste (including hazardous waste) disposal, occupational health and safety risks associated with the handling of hazardous materials (including natural gas), and potential risks to community health and safety.

Environmental and Social Standards: International Finance Corporation's (IFC) Performance Standards (April 2006) 1 (Social and Environmental Assessment and Management Systems), 2 (Labor and Working Conditions), 3 (Pollution Prevention and Abatement), and 4 (Community Health, Safety and Security) are triggered. Based on the information currently available, the Project has purchased land at prevailing market rates. Hence, Performance Standard (PS) 5 (Land Acquisition and Involuntary Resettlement) has not been triggered. There are no sensitive habitats at or near the Project site and no indigenous people and cultural heritage sites have been identified near the Project site. Hence, IFC's Performance Standards 6 (Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Natural Resource Management), 7 (Indigenous Peoples), and 8 (Cultural Heritage) also are not triggered.

Environmental and Social Guidelines applicable to the Project include: International Finance Corporation's (IFC) Environmental, Health, and Safety (EHS) Guidelines for Thermal Power Plants (2008) and General EHS Guidelines (April 2007).

Location of Local Access to Project Information: A copy of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) may be found at the following location:

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