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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)1

Overview

Project Name: BMCE Ligne Bleue MBIL

Project Number: 2016-0852 Country: Morocco

Project Description: Multiple beneficiary intermediated loan with BMCE to finance high impact

small scale water projects for industries, water intensive private entities as

well as public sector water operators "regies" in Morocco.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

This project, intermediated by Bank of Africa (former *Banque Marocaine du Commerce Extérieur*, BMCE), targeted small scale water treatment, reuse and wastewater treatment projects for industries, water intensive private entities as well as public sector water operators "regies" in Morocco.

All sub-projects implemented complied with the EIB E&S standards as well as with national legislation. None of them required an ESIA due to the nature, size and location of the investments. Onsite wastewater treatment facilities installed complied with the national requirements for wastewater discharges. Therefore, all E&S conditions and undertakings listed in the ESDS were respected.

There has been little use of the credit line at project completion stage. Only a reduced number of industries have seen the quality of their wastewater discharges improved. Despite this improvement, the environmental and health benefit achieved by the project is unfortunately very limited vs the initial scope.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion, based on reports from the promoter, site visits by the EIB/AFD team and/or inputs provided by consultants, where applicable, during implementation, that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.