SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR APPROVAL

A. Justification

- Legal authority for this information collection is found in the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018 (the "BUILD Act"), Public Law 115-254.
- 2. DFC-007 Impact Assessment Questionnaire is the principal document used by the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation ("DFC") to initiate the assessment of the project's development impact, as well as the project's ability to comply with environmental and social policies, including labor and human rights, as consistent with the agency's authorizing legislation.
- 3. This form is completed with the use of a web-based application. This provides a secure and efficient means for applicants to transmit the required information to the agency.
- 4. The information collected is not duplicated elsewhere. The information is not already available in any other electronic form and would not be requested by another federal agency or lending institution since it is applicable solely to DFC's programs.
- 5. DFC's applicants include large and small businesses and entrepreneurs. The same questions are asked of all applicants. The complexity of the answers will depend upon the nature of the project for which DFC financing is being requested.
- 6. Without a form to collect the information, the amount of staff time needed to gather the requisite information would be significantly greater and would result in multiple requests for information from agency applicants/clients. This would reduce the amount of time that could be devoted to working with applicants/clients on the origination of transactions, thereby reducing the productivity and administrative efficiency of the agency.
- 7. No special circumstances exist that require the information collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the guidelines of the Paperwork Reduction Act and OMB's implementing regulations.
- 8. The first Federal Register Notice was published on March 22, 2019 (84 FR 10843). The agency received public comments. The agency did not make edits to the collections pursuant to the public comments received. The second Federal Register Notice was published on June 21, 2019 (84 FR 29249).

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- 9. No payments and gifts are offered to respondents.
- 10. When trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information are submitted to the agency in this collection, they will be held in confidence to the extent permitted by applicable law including the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") at 5 U.S.C. section 552(b)(4) and the agency's implementing regulations at 22 C.F.R. Part 706.
- 11. Not applicable. None of the questions on this form are of a sensitive nature.
- 12. The estimated burden of collecting this information is as follows:
 - 230 respondents
 - x 1 per respondent
 - =230 total annual responses
 - x (2.8 hours per average respondent)
 - =644 respondent hours
 - x \$75/hour for personnel, record-keeping, overhead
 - \$48,300 total cost to respondents
- 13. The estimated annualized cost to respondents is as follows:
 - (a) Total capital and start-up costs: \$0
 - (b) Total operation and maintenance costs: \$0.

All costs associated with the form are part of the normal cost of doing business. Since all submissions will be electronic and stored on DFC's secure servers, there will be no postage or storage costs.

14. The estimated annualized cost to the Federal government is as follows:

| 230 | respondents per year |
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| x 1 | per respondent |
| 230 | total annual responses |
| x 2 | average hours to review one response |
| 460 | total federal hours |
| x \$56.15 | GS-14/1 (DCB) hourly wage |
| \$25,829 | total cost to the Federal government |

- 15. This is a new information collection.
- 16. Not applicable. Information provided in the application is not published.
- 17. Not applicable. The OMB expiration date will be printed on each form.
- 18. Not applicable. No exceptions are being requested on the certification statement.