

Information Summary for the Public

Host Country:	Haiti
Name of Insured Investor:	Seaboard Overseas Limited
Foreign Enterprise:	Les Moulins d'Haiti
Project Description	This project involves the expansion of Les Moulins d'Haiti, an integrated flour mill and animal feed facility located 25 kilometers north of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. The expansion involves the upgrading of the flour mill's tools and processes. Additionally, Seaboard will expand the mill's grinding capacity from 750 tones per day to 1,050 tons per day. The mill will also expand its wharf and storage capacity.
Total Project Cost:	\$14,694,818
Proposed OPIC Insurance Amount:	\$14,694,818
Developmental Effects:	This project has a strong developmental impact on the host country. The project supplies a large percentage of Haiti's domestic consumption of flour. Seaboard's expansion will create jobs in a rural area. Some of these employees will train in the U.S. Employees will also receive benefits including transportation, a canteen and medical and life insurance. The project also provides ancillary benefits to the local community in the form of free electricity from Les Moulins' power generators.
Environment:	<p>Grain milling operations are screened as Category B projects under OPIC's environmental guidelines because impacts are site-specific and readily mitigated. Air emissions from the flour mill and occupational health and safety concerns from excessive noise, hygienic maintenance and fire risk, are the primary environmental concerns.</p> <p><u>Applicable Standards.</u> The project will be required to construct and operate the facility in accordance with (i) Applicable provisions of the 2007 International Finance Corporation's General Environmental and Health and Safety Guidelines; (ii) U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.272 for grain handling facilities; (iii) All applicable environmental, health, and safety requirements of Haiti.</p>

	<p><u>Impacts and Mitigation Measures.</u> The project requires little or no alteration to the site. There will be no clearing of land, construction of new buildings or removal of vegetation. The project will not result in adverse impacts on protected areas or critical habitats. The project will not result in physical or economic displacement.</p> <p>The only wastewater released from the facility is from sanitary wastes which are discharged to a septic tank. Process water used in the facility (50,000 gallons of water per day) is treated in a reverse osmosis system. The only hazardous substance used by the facility is fuel oil for the back up generators. There are 7 generators with a total capacity of 5 MW. The fuel is stored on-site in 15,000 gallon tanks. These generators, if run continuously, could emit about 25,000 tons of CO₂, although since operated only intermittently the greenhouse gas emissions are anticipated to be small.</p> <p>Dust is controlled in the milling area by an exhaust suction system and no oil is used for dust suppression. A formal health and safety plan does not exist for the facility; however, there is an industrial safety department, specific safety measure in place related to equipment and dust, and an infirmary on site. Additionally, a safety committee conducts periodic formal inspections of the site. The facility also has its own fire system in place.</p> <p>This project will be required to prepare an Occupational Health & Safety Plan that complies with the applicable provisions of 29 CFR Part 1910.272. Additionally, any fuels stored on-site in above ground tanks larger than 1000 liters must be equipped with impermeable containment capable of containing 110 percent of volume of the fuel storage tanks.</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, hours of work, minimum age requirements, timely payment of wages, and hazardous working situations. 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 February 13, 2009.</p>