

<b>Host Country:</b>	JAMAICA
<b>Name of Borrower:</b>	CGLOB - Jamaica Public Service Company Limited
<b>U.S. Sponsor:</b>	CGLOB - Jamaica Public Service Company Limited
<b>Approved/Committed Date</b>	
<b>Foreign Sponsor:</b>	
<b>Project Description:</b>	
<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	\$30,000,000
<b>Proposed OPIC Support:</b>	\$22,500,000
<b>Developmental Effects:</b>	This project will have a positive impact on development in Jamaica. The loan will result in capital investments to improve the Jamaica Public Service Company's (JPS) transmission and distribution operations. JPS is by far the largest electricity provider in the Jamaica with a generation capacity of 623 MW, accounting for 69 percent of generation and 73 percent of generation capacity in the country. These infrastructure upgrades will allow JPS to reduce the effects of system losses, and thus have a positive effect on the environment.
<b>Environment:</b>	<p>Screening: Projects involving modernization of electricity transmission and distribution (T &amp; D) grids and upgrading of renewable energy plants to reduce system losses are screened as Category B projects under OPIC's environmental and social guidelines because impacts are site specific and readily mitigated. The primary environmental and social concerns related to this Project are associated with the occupational health and safety of employees.</p> <p>Applicable Standards: OPIC's environmental and social due diligence indicates that the Project will have impacts which must be managed in a manner consistent with the following International Corporation's (IFC) 2012 Performance Standards (PS):</p> <p>PS 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts;  PS 2: Labor and Working Conditions;  PS 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention; and  PS 4: Community Health, Safety, and Security.</p> <p>Upgrades to electricity transmission and distribution grids and renewable energy generating units within existing facilities do not involve physical or economic displacement and therefore, Performance Standard 5: Land Acquisition and Involuntary Resettlement is not triggered. The existing Project facilities are located on developed land where issues associated with PS 6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Natural Resource Management are not triggered. There are no Indigenous Peoples at these Project facilities and there are no Cultural Heritage issues recorded to date. Thus, PS 7 and PS 8 are also not triggered.</p> <p>In accordance with PS 3, IFC's Environmental, Health, and Safety (EHS) General Guidelines (2007) and EHS Guidelines for Electric Power Transmission and Distribution (2007) are also applicable to this Project.</p> <p>Since the Project will not include combustion facilities, its greenhouse gas (carbon dioxide equivalent) emissions will be minimal.</p> <p>Environmental and Social Risks and Mitigation: The Borrower operates its T &amp; D grids and renewable energy units under its Corporate policies, IFC's Performance Standards and Guidelines, and in compliance with the local regulations. In addition, the Borrower has adopted detailed procedures relating to worker safety. Employees receive extensive orientation training as well as annual refresher training specific to their jobs. All solid wastes are stored in containers until transported off site. Small quantities of wastewater are discharged to the municipal sewerage network.</p> <p>The Borrower will be required to continue implementing its overarching policy statement to ensure Project's acceptable environmental and social performance. The Borrower will also be required to continue implementing its grievance mechanism. In addition, the Project will be required to comply with IFC's EHS General Guidelines (2007) and EHS Guidelines for Electric Power Transmission and Distribution (2007).</p>

<b>Worker Rights:</b>	
<b>Human Rights:</b>	OPIC issued a human rights clearance for this project on May 7, 2014.