

WENGEORGIA: PUBLIC INFORMATION SUMMARY

Host Country:	Georgia
Name of Borrowers:	JSC WenGeorgia, a limited liability company organized in Georgia and JSC WenGeorgia Development, a limited liability company organized in Georgia (collectively, the “Borrower” or the “Borrowers” and “WenGeorgia”)
Project Description:	Financing the establishment and operation of a chain of up to 22 Wendy’s branded franchise restaurants (or “Restaurants”, with each, a “Restaurant”) throughout the country of Georgia (the “Project”).
Proposed OPIC Loan:	An investment guaranty of up to \$18,900,000
Total Project Costs:	\$37,000,000
U.S. Sponsors:	None: Significant U.S. business involvement in Project by Wendy’s International Inc., the licensor of the Wendy’s intellectual property (“Wendy’s International”).
Foreign Sponsors:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wissol Holding BV, a limited liability company organized in the Netherlands • Global Investors Limited, a limited liability company organized in Malta • Samson Pkhakadze and Levan Pkhakadze, Georgian citizens.
Policy Review	
U.S. Economic Impact:	The Project is not expected to have a negative impact on the U.S. economy or employment. Initial and operational U.S. procurement is expected to have a positive impact on U.S. employment. The Project will have a positive five-year U.S. balance of payments impact.
Developmental Effects:	This Project will have a positive developmental impact on Georgia. The Project will have strong human capacity building impacts by creating hundreds of new local service jobs. These new employees will receive training in customer service and various technical tasks. Some restaurant managers will be sent to the U.S. for training in restaurant operations and business development. Local suppliers will greatly benefit from this Project since many food and drink items will be sourced locally. Wendy’s International provides its franchisees with all the necessary assistance to run its franchise restaurants, including management training, marketing plans and materials, production

	<p>technology and quality assurance programs. Finally, the Project will benefit local construction contractors since it involves the construction of several new restaurants.</p>
<p>Environment:</p>	<p>Screening: The Project has been reviewed against OPIC’s categorical prohibitions and has been determined to be categorically eligible. Construction and operation of retail food chains are screened as Category B projects under OPIC’s environmental and social guidelines because impacts are site-specific and readily mitigated. Environmental and social issues associated with the Project include the need for a robust Social and Environmental Management System to manage potential environmental and social risks from construction and operation of the restaurants, appropriate hygiene and food preparation measures, proper disposal of effluents and wastes and occupational health and safety measures.</p> <p>Applicable Standards: OPIC’s environmental and social due diligence indicates that the Project will have impacts that must be managed in a manner consistent with the following Performance Standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.S. 1: Social and Environmental Assessment and Management Systems • P.S. 2: Labor and Working Conditions • P.S. 3: Pollution Prevention and Abatement • P.S. 4: Community Health, Safety and Security <p>In addition, consistent with the requirements of PS 3 (Pollution Prevention and Abatement), the following International Finance Corporation (IFC) Environmental Guidelines are applicable to this project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The International Finance Corporation (IFC) April 30, 2007 Environmental, Health, and Safety Guidelines for Tourism and Hospitality Development; and (ii) The IFC April 30, 2007 Environmental, Health, and Safety General Guidelines. <p>Environmental and Social Risks and Mitigation: WenGeorgia’s Project Managers will be responsible for supervising environmental, health and safety aspects and ensuring that the construction and renovation works are carried out in accordance with IFC’s Environmental, Health and Safety Guidelines. However, the Borrower does not have a formalized Social and Environmental Management System (SEMS) in place to manage potential environmental and social risks while</p>

	<p>restaurants are undergoing construction and renovation. OPIC will require that a SEMS be developed and implemented.</p> <p>Once operational, restaurants will be connected to municipal services for electricity, potable water, wastewater and solid waste disposal. The restaurants will have natural gas-fired boilers and backup diesel generators on-site. The exact specifications on the size and number of boilers and generators for the Project are currently unknown; OPIC will require that the Borrower submit to OPIC annual fuel consumption for the Project's boilers and generators. As a preliminary estimate, annual greenhouse gas emissions for the Project are expected to be around 66,000 tons CO₂eq. The Borrower represents that a specialist will be hired to prepare Life and Fire Safety Plans in accordance with international standards for all of its restaurant facilities. OPIC will require that the Borrower submit the plans for its review.</p> <p>WenGeorgia will have at least one trained manager on duty at all times on site at each restaurant who will be responsible for ensuring day-to-day compliance with local, national and international safety and hygiene laws and standards. The Project will follow Wendy's International's guidelines on food handling and sanitation procedures which covers meat handling, vegetable preparation, ware washing and food handling. Wendy's also has a Quality Assurance Program which is designed to verify that the food products supplied to its franchisees are processed in a safe, sanitary environment and in compliance with Wendy's food safety and quality standards. WenGeorgia will follow Wendy's grievance mechanism which requires that all grievances be promptly and effectively addressed.</p>
Workers Rights:	<p>OPIC's statutorily required standard worker rights language will be supplemented with provisions concerning the rights of association, organization and collective bargaining, minimum age for employment, hours of work, the timely payment of wages and hazardous work situations. Standard and supplemental contract language will be applied to all workers of the Project. The Project will be required to operate in a manner consistent with the International Finance Corporation's Performance Standard 2 on Labor and Working Conditions.</p>
Human Rights:	<p>The Project was issued a Human Rights clearance on December 4, 2012.</p>