

Environmental Examination Report

1. Project Name
Solar Power Project
2. Project Site
State of Durango, United Mexican States
3. Project Outline
Construction of a solar power plant
4. Category Classification
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5. Reason for Classification
The project does not belong to sensitive sector and does not include sensitive characteristics and is not located in or around sensitive areas under the Guidelines, therefore it is likely to have no significant adverse impact on the environment.
6. Environmental Permits and Approvals
The Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) report on this project was prepared in compliance with the regime of the country. Environmental permit has been obtained from the Mexican Secretary of Energy (Secretaria de Energia) on May 4th, 2017, from the Mexican Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (Secretaria de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales) on January 12nd, 2018, May 16th, 2018 and July 27th, 2018.
7. Pollution Mitigation Measures
It is confirmed that this project does not produce air pollutants and that the effects on the quality of water, waste, and soil are immaterial. It is further confirmed that the other environmental aspects, including the noise during construction, has been properly managed.
8. Natural Environment

It is confirmed that the effects on natural environment are immaterial and that appropriate mitigation measures would be properly developed.

9. Social Environment

It is confirmed that the effects on local people are immaterial and that there will be no involuntary resettlement in relation to the project.

10. International Standard

IFC Performance Standards

11. Others, Monitoring

N.A

the "Cofinancing Institutions"), whether or not any confidentiality agreement has been entered into by and between JBIC and the Borrower, etc. JBIC provides the Environmental Information to the Cofinancing Institutions for their conducting the confirmation of environmental and social consideration with respect to the project. In providing the Environmental Information, JBIC requires the Cofinancing Institutions (i) not to use the Environmental Information for any purpose other than the internal confirmation of environmental and social consideration with respect to the project, and (ii) not to disclose the Environmental Information to any third party.

2. Please note that this Screening Form or the contents thereof may be made public.
3. If all or part of descriptions of this Screening Form turn out to be false, JBIC may, in accordance with the loan agreement, suspend the disbursement or declare all the principal outstanding at the time, with interest and any other charges thereon, to be payable immediately as stated in the clause of 6. Taking Environmental Reviews into Account for Decision-making and Loan Agreements in Part 1 of Japan Bank For International Cooperation Guidelines For Confirmation Of Environmental And Social Considerations.
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Questions

Q1. Please provide the address of the project site.

Address of the project site : _____

Projecto site is: State of Durango

Q2. Please provide brief explanation of the project.

Six PV solar plants (three of them named Versalles de las Cuatas I, 2 and 3 and the other three named Las Animas II) with a join capacity of 112 MW located in the Municipality of Durango in the State of Durango. The electricity will be sold to the Wholesale Electric Market at the node price since there are not PPA.

Q3. Will JBIC loan be applied to a new project or an executing project? In case of an executing project, please inform of strong claims by stakeholders such as local residents, as well as improvement guidance or cessation orders for construction work / operations, from environmental authorities.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Executing Project (with Claim etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Executing Project (without Claim etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (Credit line) |

Q4. In case of this project, is it necessary to execute Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) based on the laws or regulations of the country where the project is to be implemented? If necessary, please inform the progress of ESIA.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Required (completed) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required (under execution or under planning) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (Credit line) |

Q5. In case that ESIA is already completed, please inform whether ESIA report is already approved based on the environmental and social assessment system of the country where the project is to be implemented or not. If ESIA report is already approved, please provide the date and name of authorities of the approval.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Approved (without condition) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved (conditional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under approval process | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (Credit line) |

Date of Approval : _____ For Versalles de las Cuatas projects ESIA was approved on april 20th 2018; for Versalles de las Cuatas II projects ESIA was not required since they are Legacy Projects (they obtained their permits prior to the current electricity regulation).

Name of Authorities : _____ SENER



Q6. If environmental and social permit(s) other than ESIA is required, please provide the name of required permit(s). Have you obtained required permit(s)?

- Obtained Required, but not obtained yet
 Not required Others (Credit line)

Name(s) of required permit(s) : Environmental Impact Assessment for Versalles de las Cuatas projects and Las Animas II projects.

Q7. Will the loan be used for the undertaking that cannot specify the project at this stage (e.g. export or lease of machinery that has no relation with specific project, or Two Step Loan that cannot specify the project at the time of loan agreement)?

(Yes / No)

If you answered "Yes", it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to the following questions.

Q8. Are there any environmentally sensitive area(s) shown below in and around project site(s)?

(Yes / No)

If you answered "Yes", please select applicable items by marking, and reply to the following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to the questions 9 and after.

- (1) National parks, nationally-designated protected areas (coastal areas, wetlands, areas for ethnic minorities or indigenous people, and cultural heritage, etc. designated by national governments)
- (2) Forests with important ecological value (including primary forests and natural forests in tropical areas)
- (3) Habitats with important ecological value (including coral reefs, mangrove, wetland and tidal flats.)
- (4) Habitats of rare species requiring protection under domestic legislation, international treaties, etc.
- (5) Areas in danger of large-scale salt accumulation or soil erosion
- (6) Areas with a remarkable tendency towards desertification
- (7) Areas with unique archaeological, historical or cultural value
- (8) Areas inhabited by ethnic minorities, indigenous peoples or nomadic peoples with traditional ways of life (including areas which are used for cultural or spiritual purposes) and other areas with special social value.

Q9. Does the project involve following characteristics?

(Yes / No)

If you answered "Yes", please describe the scale of applicable characteristics, and reply to the questions 10 and after.

If you answered "No", please reply to the questions 11 and after.

- (1) Involuntary resettlement and/or loss of means of livelihood
(Number of affected people: _____)
- (2) Pumping of groundwater (Scale: _____ m³/year)

- (3) Land reclamation, development and/or clearing (Scale: _____ ha)
- (4) Deforestation (Scale: _____ ha)

Q10. Under the environmental and social impact assessment system of the country where the project is to be implemented, do the applicable characteristics from (1) – (4) of the questions 9 above and their scale serve as basis for executing an ESIA for the project?

- They do They do not
- Others (Please specify _____)

Q11 May the project involve significant social impacts?

(Yes / No)

If you answered “Yes”, please describe the outline of the impacts, and reply to the questions 12 and after.
If you answered “No”, please reply to the questions 12 and after.

- The likelihood of severe project-related human rights impacts (_____)
- Others (_____)

Q12. Will JBIC share in the project be equal or less than 5% of the total project cost, or the total amount of JBIC loan equal or less than SDR 10 million? (In the case of additional support for a past project, this shall be the accumulated total amount).

(Yes / No)

If you answered “Yes”, it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.
If you answered “No”, please reply to the questions 13 and after.

Q13. Does the project belong to either of the sectors that impact on the environment and society is deemed immaterial or is not anticipated under normal conditions (e.g. maintenance of the existing facilities, non-expansionary renovation project, and acquisition of rights and interests without additional capital investment)?

(Yes / No)

If you answered “Yes”, it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.
If you answered “No”, please reply to the questions 14 and after.

Q14. Does the project belong to the following sectors?

(Yes / No)

If you answered “Yes”, please specify the sector by marking, and reply to the questions 15 and after.
If you answered “No”, it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.

- (1) Mining
- (2) Oil and natural gas development
- (3) Pipelines
- (4) Iron and steel (projects that include large furnaces)
- (5) Non-ferrous metals smelting and refining
- (6) Petrochemicals (manufacture of raw materials; including complexes)
- (7) Petroleum refining
- (8) Oil, gas and chemical terminals

- (9) Paper and pulp
- (10) Cement plants (including a greenfield quarry)
- (11) Manufacture and transport of toxic or poisonous substances regulated by international treaties, etc.
- (12) Thermal power
- (13) Nuclear power
- (14) Hydropower, dams and reservoirs
- (15) Power transmission and distribution lines involving large-scale involuntary resettlement, large-scale logging or submarine electrical cables
- (16) Roads, railways and bridges
- (17) Airports
- (18) Ports and harbors
- (19) Sewage and wastewater treatment having sensitive characteristics or located in sensitive areas or their vicinity
- (20) Waste management and disposal
- (21) Agriculture involving large-scale land-clearing or irrigation
- (22) Forestry
- (23) Tourism (construction of hotels, etc.)

Q15. Please provide information on the scale of the project (project area, area of plants and buildings, production capacity, amounts of power generation, etc.) Further, please explain whether an execution of ESIA is required on account of the large scale of the project in the country where the project is implemented.

