

Yayasan Tambuhak Sinta

The Chief PSM / OOS /PRC UNIDO Wagramer Strasse 5, A-1220 Vienna, Austria

Monday, September 11th, 2006

Attention: Svitlana Adler

Re: GEF/ UNDP/UNIDO Global Mercury Project, in Central Kalimantan.

Removal of barriers to the introduction of cleaner gold mining and extraction technologies

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 2006

Dear Ms Adler,

The following provides you with a summary of the August activities of the Global Mercury Project in Central Kalimantan, Indonesia.

Early in the month, all of our Media Campaign Materials were printed, including Logos, Flyers, Stickers, Posters, and Billboards. Two large billboards were sited and erected close to our target audience, namely the urban gold shops. Thereafter, several weeks were also devoted to editing, improving and translating the UNIDO Campaign Brochures to make them suitable for local field conditions. This was done as an iterative process, together with the Assistant to Country Focal Point. The brochures were finalized at the end of the month, ready for printing in September.

Further media work included designing and editing the first project newsletter which is to be produced bi-monthly in an effort to inform the local community, government and other stakeholders about the progress of the project. The newsletter is available in Indonesian and English. The Indonesian language version has been printed as four pages printed in full color, and shall also be distributed through email networks to reach a wider audience.

Our office staff also prepared the content and programming for a follow-up to the Training of Trainers event held in February. This September event, will allow the local government representatives to obtain the skills necessary to conduct the training in the field and requires a working knowledge of the use of Appropriate Technology as well as Social Marketing Skills, to effectively deliver messages to our target audiences. The content for this event, including detailed training plans, was compiled and scheduled in our office, by experienced participatory workshop facilitators.

Some time was also required in the field, to meet with and confirm the participation of the Local Government Representatives in the Training Program. This required several trips to local representative offices. In addition, preparations for the Campaign Launch Event were necessary, including obtaining permissions from the local police headquarters. At the same time, further fieldwork was undertaken on a secondary southern road to establish whether an alternative access was possible. Some secondary back up locations were established along this road. The local media possibilities were also investigated and a local radio station chosen for local broadcast support.

With regard to the technical component, the procurement and fabrication of the tools and equipment necessary for supply to the Transportable Demonstration Unit has been completed. For example, a Portable Sluice-Box was constructed, complete with design innovations for better efficiency. The project also took the initiative to design an Industrial Retort together with the local Technical School. Having submitted designs to UNIDO for approval, this prototype retort was manufactured, as well as stainless steel pipe retorts, kitchen bowl retorts and an elutriation column.

The second and third payments from UNIDO were received during the month of August and converted at fluctuating daily bank rates. The following is a summary of expenses for August shown here with a fixed conversion rate of Rp. 9,200 to the US\$.

AUGUST 2006	Rupiah	US \$
Income		
UNIDO Second Payment	135,300,000	\$15,000
UNIDO Third Payment	180,800,000	\$20,000
Expenses		
Project Management	39,147,764	\$ 4,255
Implementation	600,000	\$ 65
Equipment, Materials, Supplies	88,689,325	\$ 9,640
Total Income for August	316,136,164	\$35,000
Total Expenses for August	128,437,089	\$13,960

The project will enter a training phase in the month of September, commencing with a Public Launch event and subsequent Social Marketing to the Community, as well as Direct Training in use of Alternative Technology. We look forward to informing you further as to our progress.

Yours sincerely,

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