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Dear Mr. Manzanares:

We are contacting you with regards to the letters you have sent us concerning the Accreditation of COFIDES to the GCF and the request for input to the Strategic Plan. In relation to the second letter, I would like to point out that it was addressed to Salvador Marín, the former President of the company; we understand that this is an administrative error.

Regarding the first letter, thank you very much for the congratulations due to the accreditation of COFIDES. We are working very actively to be able to sign the Accreditation Master Agreement as soon as possible.

In reference to the request of contact persons, you can find the information details below:

- Primary operations focal point: Dr. **María Vidales**, Head of Division of Financing for Development and European Affairs ([maria.vidales@cofides.es](mailto:maria.vidales@cofides.es))
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Please, notice that the telephone number is the same for both: +34.91.562.60.08.

With regards to the request for input to the Strategic Plan of the GCF, during our accreditation process and in relation with the first projects we are analyzing, we have identified two main aspects that could be developed in the next Strategic Plan:

- **Relation with National Designated Authorities (NDA) and No-Objection Letter (NOL):** we have experienced in several countries that there is no answer from the NDA, so it takes a long time to get the NOL. We propose the possibility that the non-objection to the project will be considered duly accepted if there are no specific requests from the NDA within a certain period of time (positive administrative silence).
- **More information about Private Sector:** we have noted that there is an asymmetry in the availability of existing procedures and operational guidelines for public sector projects than for private sector ones. A developed procedure, a

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defined operational guides and clear and concrete information on private sector projects would be very appreciated.

We hope these suggestions may help to enhance the GCF for the following years.

Finally, we would like to express that we are looking forward to this new challenge and to collaborating with the GCF in order to promote the paradigm shift towards low-emission and climate-resilient development pathways.

Yours sincerely,



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