

Experience in Generating Country Request

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Generation of the request

- Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development request for technical assistance to support the development of Uganda's geothermal policy

Title:

FORMULATING GEOTHERMAL ENERGY POLICY, LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

- Dated 20th October 2014

NDE Receipt: Beginning of Dec 2014



My role and Timelines

26/12/2014

- Dedicated Christmas holiday to reviewing and refining the proposal for submission to the CTCN.
- A reviewed version of the proposal
- Requested the proponent to **address the issues raised** so that we can finalize them when we meet shortly.



Timeline

2nd January 2015

Proponent replied

I have tried my best to answer some queries, please accept this revised version of the application.

Two more reviews focused

- on **aligning** the request to the guidelines,
- ensuring **quality**,
- addressing **specific issues**,
- making is **scientific**



Timeline

16th January 2015

Submission to the Director CTCN

16 Jan 2015

The Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) is pleased to acknowledge receipt of your CTCN Request Submission Form received on January 16, 2015 and entitled "Formulating Geothermal Energy Policy, Legal and Regulatory Framework". Your request has been assigned request **reference number 2015-022/UGA-01**. Please kindly include this reference number in all communication with the CTCN.

Your request for assistance will ***be screened by a CTCN Climate Technology Manager for completeness and assessed against the CTCN request prioritization criteria***. This screening and assessment process will take a maximum of 2 weeks. However, additional time may be necessary should there be a need to contact you to seek clarification or obtain additional information on your request. Once your request is deemed complete, the Climate Technology Manager will conclude the appraisal of your request and notify you on the outcome



Timelines

17th March 2015

Decision

- on the formation of this Response Planning team:
- **Lead:** UNEP/ARGeo (coordination with NDE and the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development as well as technical and strategic guidance)
- **Technical support:** NREL (National renewable Energy Laboratory, main drafter of the response plan)
- The **CTCN Climate Technology Manager** overseeing the work of this Response Planning Team,



Timeline

- 23rd May 2015

- First draft of the Response Plan to answer the request submitted to the CTCN entitled "Formulating Geothermal Energy Policy, Legal and Regulatory Framework " (CTCN Reference number 2015-022/UGA-01).
- The response plan aims to identify the specific activities to be conducted to assist the request applicant in addressing the problem outlined in the technical assistance request.



Current approach

Of receiving request from the national stakeholders is fine

However

1. There is need to have country priority identified through a **participatory and inclusive approach**
2. A system to place a **call nationally** in selected priority areas to attract relevant and quality proposal
3. A **two staged response** to the call – CN and FP
4. **Internal evaluation** mechanisms for the CNs
5. An NDE Team
6. Database of requests



Reflections

- Leveraging stakeholders
- Fragmentation of initiatives
- Generation of national priorities – overcoming adhocism – need for TNA
- Staff time requirement
- Managing timeline: – persuasion rather than whipping. The proponent determines the pace.....



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