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Ministries of Foreign Affairs
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Geneva, 18 April 2012

Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Co-Chairs of the IPCC Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Thelma Krug and Taka Hiraishi, I have the honour to inform you that the First Order Draft (FOD) of the "2013 Supplement of the IPCC Guidelines on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands" is open for expert review for an eight-week period, starting on 16 April 2012.

Information about the Wetlands Supplement can be obtained from <http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/home/wetlands.html>

Please find below the URL to access the complimentary copy of the FOD, which is provided to IPCC Focal Points for information, in accordance with the approved procedures for the preparation and review of IPCC reports:

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Please note that the First Order Draft (FOD) of the "2013 Supplement of the IPCC Guidelines on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands" is a confidential document that **must not be cited, quoted or distributed**.

If you have any questions about the review process, please contact the IPCC Technical Support Unit of the IPCC Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories at <nggip-tsu@iges.or.jp>.

As a reminder, the expert review of the "2013 Supplement of the IPCC Guidelines on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands" FOD has started on 16 April 2012, and ends on **11 June 2012**, and is an expert review only. The government and expert review of the Second Order Draft of the "2013 Supplement of the IPCC Guidelines on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands" will take place from October to November 2012.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Permanent Representative with the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Focal Point(s) of your country for information.

Yours sincerely,



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