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<b>1. Country/Region:</b>	Mali	<b>2. CIF Project ID#:</b>	(Trustee will assign ID)
<b>3. Source of Funding:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> FIP	<input type="checkbox"/> PPCR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SREP
<b>4. Project/Program Title:</b>	Mini Hydropower Plants and Related Distribution Networks Development Project		
<b>5. Type of CIF Investment:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed
<b>6. Funding Request in million USD equivalent:</b>	<i>Grant:</i> USD 8.7 million	<i>Non-Grant:</i> NA	
<b>7. Implementing MDB(s):</b>	African Development Bank		
<b>8. National Implementing Agency:</b>	Energie du Mali (EDM-SA) on behalf of the Ministry of Energy		
<b>9. MDB Focal Point and Project/Program Task Team Leader (TTL):</b>	<i>Headquarters- Focal Point:</i> Leandro Azevedo <a href="mailto:l.azevedo@afdb.org">l.azevedo@afdb.org</a>	<i>TTL:</i> Firma Bri <a href="mailto:f.bri@afdb.org">f.bri@afdb.org</a>	
<b>10. Project/Program Description:</b>			
See pages 4-6 of the report.			
<b>11. Consistency with Investment Criteria:</b>			
See pages 13-14 of the report			
<b>12. Stakeholder engagement:</b>			
<p>The SREP Investment Programme was developed by the Ministry of Energy in consultation with the structures involved in its implementation (AMADER, DNE, EDM-SA, Ministries in charge of finance, planning, the environment, local communities and water resources). Missions were undertaken during which public consultation workshops involving government authorities, the private sector, NGOs, and technical and financial partners were organized.</p> <p>The Ministry of Energy will be the SREP beneficiary for this project. Project management will be delegated to EDM-SA which will ensure the development and maintenance of the works to be built. Project management activities will be assigned to a Project Management Unit to be created within EDM-SA.</p> <p>A Steering Committee will be established by ministerial order to ensure proper project orientation, strengthen the participatory approach and achieve project objectives. This Committee will ensure coordination between all stakeholders for the smooth running of project activities, particularly with regard to crosscutting issues. It will comprise representatives of the ministries in charge of energy, finance, planning &amp; environment, local authorities, public electricity structures (DNE, AMADER and EDM-SA) and regional directorates/decentralized agencies in the project area.</p>			

**13. Gender considerations:**

Women beneficiaries, the Ministry for Women Affairs, women entrepreneurs and women's civil society organizations were also consulted and their proposals taken into account in the project design to the extent possible. The project includes provisions for development of ten multifunctional platforms that will particularly target women in the project areas of Djenné and Talo. These platforms will provide training and equipment to enable small business and entrepreneurs, particularly women, to pursue economic opportunities.

The United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization have supported, through AMADER, a long-term program seeking to provide decentralized energy through 10 horsepower diesel engines to drive power generation, water pumping and other devices in a multifunctional approach. At the village level, these platforms are managed primarily by women's associations. However, absent a local feedstock, these village platforms rely on expensive and sometimes difficult to procure diesel fuel. This project will help to alleviate reliance on diesel, greatly empowering these programs through renewable baseload power.

The project will also hire 20 internships through construction and commissioning, 50% of which are reserved for female students. Overall, it is estimated that more than 36,000 women and girls will benefit from access to modern, productive energy through this project.

**14. Indicators and Targets (consistent with results framework):**

Core Indicators	Target
Annual electricity output in GWh	23.68
Increased public and private investments (in USD million)	48.03
Number of people with improved access to electricity (men/women)	35,119 / 36,130
GHG emissions avoided in tons CO2 equivalent (annual / lifetime)	15,800 / 395,000

**15. Co-Financing:**

	Amount (in USD million):	Type of contribution:
AfDB – Transitioning States Facility	28.31	Grant
EU – Africa Investment Facility	19.65	Grant
Government of Mali	0.07	Investment
<b>Co-Financing Total:</b>	<b>48.03</b>	

**16. Expected Board/MDB Management approval date:**

AfDB Board approval was obtained on December 2017. AfDB will submit an Addendum to the Board of Directors to approve the proposed SREP grant once the SREP Sub-Committee approves SREP funding.