

## Task Group on Economics for Sustainable Service Providers

### Teleconference

June 13 2014

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Jessica Slomka read attendance and antitrust statement.

### **Action Items for next meeting: DUE July 11th**

Please submit to Anne and copy Jessica.

#### Action Item:

- Volunteer: Review 8.7 language and suggest modifications
- Anne: will review the GRI reporting requirements for possible reference in 8.7
- Volunteer: Define the word "investment". See 8.7 for use of the word.
- Volunteer: Create a list of applicable investments for 8.7
- Jessica/Harry: will determine where to put possible prerequisite "Service provider shall create and maintain list of its stakeholders"
- Anne: will rewrite 8.8

### **Economic Task Group**

- **8.6:** Anne reviewed the general concept of 8.6 and the recent modifications.  
Discussion: The group discussed removing the fourth bullet. Anne asked the group if they had any other revisions/concerns. Anne asked Harry if he felt this was not relevant to the companies that will be using this standard? Harry agreed. Gail suggested that a definition for what a sustainability standard should incorporate needs to be created. There was concern whether this criteria should be included in the standard. The group agreed that the JC should review this criteria and determine if this should be included in the standard.
- **8.7:** Anne reviewed the general concept of 8.7. The group discussed how to revise the language – see suggestions below.

Harry: ....Companies will not invest in any venture or other activities that violate the UN protocol on human rights or that violate any criteria set out by the forest stewardship council protocols on sustainable....

Gail: ...25% of your investments are in the following areas:...

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- **8.8**  
Anne reviewed the proposed language from Gail. The group agreed a cost analysis is difficult to create. Harry indicated that this would be difficult to quantify economically. Gail suggested

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breaking these into two points 1) economic impact on stakeholders and 2) impact on the company in the areas of.... Anne agreed to rewrite this language.

#### Action Item:

- **Jessica/Harry:** will determine where to put "Service provider shall create and maintain"
- **Anne:** will rewrite 8.8

Meeting Attendees [Spreadsheet](#)

Company	Name 	Interest Category	Role
Marstel-Day, LLC	Gail Dunn	Industry	Member
State of Maryland	Anne Jackson	Public Health / Regulatory	Group Chair
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	Harry Lewis	General Interest	Observer
NSF International	Jessica Slomka	General Interest	Secretariat