## Memorandum of Agreement

Dialogue Table Meeting between representatives of the communities of Canaan de Cachiyacu and Nuevo Sucre, and Maple Gas

April 29, 2011

As of the complaint filed with the CAO from the communities of Canaan and Nuevo Sucre in April 2010, the first dialogue table meeting between representatives of the two communities and representatives of Maple Gas was held. The meeting was facilitated by the Office of the Compliance Advisor/Ombudsman (CAO) in the community of Canaan on April 28-29, 2011.

The participants accredited by the aforementioned organizations were: CANAAN:

- 1) Lizardo Cauper Pezo Regular member
- 2) Virgilio Cauper Flores Regular member
- 3) James Rodríguez Acho Regular member
- 4) Joaquín Sanancino Rodríguez Regular member
- 5) Remigio Maynas Santos Alternate member
- 6) Humberto Sánchez Ríos Alternate member
- 7) Miguel Ahuanari Teco Alternate member
- 8) Jaime Vasquez Acho

## **NUEVO SUCRE:**

- 1) Walter Tuesta Lomas Regular member
- 2) Alfonso Saldaña Canayo Regular member
- 3) Gerardo Gonzales Ochavano Regular member
- 4) Juan Teco Nunta Alternate member
- 5) Silverio Saldaña Burga Alternate member
- 6) Luis Burga Huaya Alternate member

## MAPLE:

- 1) Raul Solano
- 2) Tony Hines
- 3) Cesar Valderrama
- 4) Edgardo Bazán
- 5) Manuel Galup
- 6) Hernán Panta

## OBSERVERS/ADVISORS:

- 1) Artemio Vásquez Acho FECONBU
- 2) Komala Ramachandra Accountability Counsel

CAO Team: Meg Taylor, CAO Vice-President; Antonio Bernales, independent facilitator; Susana Rodríguez, Research Analyst, and Ana María Aguilar, CAO consultant.

As per the discussion between the parties, the following was agreed in this Memorandum dated April 29, 2011:

Internet — as per the discussion at the dialogue table regarding improvements in communication, the Parties agreed that an Internet connection will be installed in Canaan and another in Nuevo Sucre. A technician from Maple will visit the communities to check the infrastructure and make the installation and will be received by the Apu of each community.

Responsible: Maple Systems Management and the Apus of Canaan and Nuevo Sucre. Implementation date: May 15<sup>th</sup>.

*Water* – A technical evaluation of the water facilities will be carried out in Nuevo Sucre to determine the current capacity of the community water system and to make improvements in the amount of water supplied to the community. Responsible: Hernán Panta on behalf of Maple and Walter Tuesta. Implementation date: The visit to the community will be made on May 4<sup>th</sup> and the evaluation will be carried out on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

The company will finance water tests of the well in Nuevo Sucre to determine if the water is potable. A technician from a laboratory certified by MINSA and INDECOPI, proposed by the communities to analyze the quality of the water, will take water samples from the tank of Nuevo Sucre and will take them to the laboratory. The community will propose the name of the laboratory within a week.

In Canaan, a technical evaluation of the water system plans and facilities that will be installed by a contractor from the regional government will be coordinated to identify leaks and distribution problems. The contract will also be reviewed to identify problems that may exist. Once the results of the evaluation are received, a commission from the community will travel to Iquitos on a date to be determined to file a claim with the regional government, accompanied by the company. Responsible: Hernán Panta on behalf of Maple and the Apu of Canaan. Implementation date: As of May 5<sup>th</sup>.

The company will finance water tests in the water system of Canaan to determine if the water is potable. A technician from a laboratory certified by MINSA and INDECOPI, proposed by the communities to analyze the quality of the water, will take water samples from Canaan's water system and will take them to the laboratory. The dates for the water tests in both communities will be determined by the dialogue table according to the technical report submitted to the dialogue table.

Training on Community Monitoring – The Parties agree that a community monitoring training program for a team comprised of several members of the communities and FECONBU will be organized. The CAO offers to finance the monitoring training and will submit a proposal to the dialogue table for the training program, identifying the specialist who will in charge. At the next meeting, the communities will submit a proposal to the table for the formation of a fund to maintain the monitoring equipment. Responsible: CAO and community representatives. Implementation date: Next dialogue table meeting.

Technical studies – The parties commit themselves to work jointly in the preparation of the terms of reference for technical environmental and health studies to determine the causes of the health problems, which could be diverse (oil activity or others). The CAO will propose specialists that could help the Parties to establish and define the terms of reference. Implementation date: Next dialogue table meeting.

Agenda for the next meeting – Reports from the parties, review of CAO's proposal for the training program, review of proposal to establish a fund to maintain community monitoring and other topics to be proposed. The Parties may propose other topics for inclusion in the agenda not later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Next meetings - 24-25<sup>th</sup> of May in Pucallpa and 23-24 of June in Pucallpa