Building a Long-term Relationship with the People of Guyana

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ABSTRACT

ExxonMobil is committed to establish meaningful relationships that benefit communities and the company for the long term. Our early entry support in Guyana primarily focused on promoting education, especially in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and indigenous women empowerment. Recently, we expanded our community support to the empowerment of youth through sports, literacy and leadership program in an indigenous community in region two, Guyana, and a project to focus on the development of at risk youth in a depressed neighborhood in Georgetown and a signature environmental initiative. When ExxonMobil refers to their commitment to Local Content it means how we will source goods, services and direct labor from the local Guyana market, and how we will implement capacity building within the country. While striving to maximize Guyanese Content opportunities during the development and execution phases of Liza Phase 1, ExxonMobil will favor suppliers and contractors that are able to effectively support the project objectives. Local suppliers are strategically important to the success of our operations, and we are committed to working with them and other stakeholders to develop local companies and a competitive industrial base. ExxonMobil launched the Centre for Local Business Development in Georgetown. This is where businesses can get mentoring and training to build their capacity to be able to compete for contracts with ExxonMobil and our contractors. This presentation reaffirms the commitment of the company and aligns with the topic of Corporate Social Responsibility and Local Content in Guyana.