Common Investment Initial Screening Application

For all Investments including Loans, Loan Guarantees, or Equity Investments in Energy Infrastructure, Critical Mineral, or Material Projects

Section 1: Applicant Information

1.1. Legal Name of Applicant:

1.2. Type of Applicant: ☐Corporation ☐LLC ☐Cooperative ☐Nonprofit

☐State/Local Government ☐Tribal Entity

☐Other (describe)

1.3. Address:

1.4. Authorized Representative/POC: (Name, Title, Email, Phone)

1.5. Requested Name of Lead Agency (if applicable): Indicate preferred lead (DOC, DOE, DOI, DOT, Treasury, DOW, DFC, EXIM, USTDA)

Section 2: Project

2.1. Provide a short description of the project (geography, mineral, stage, etc.).

2.2. What are the products being produced by the project, and at what quantities?

2.3. What is the total financing need for the project?

2.4. What is the envisioned financing structure and what is the status of current financing discussions?

2.5. Describe the debt or equity that has been raised for the investment.

2.6. Who are the existing shareholders and what is the track record of these equity investors?

2.7. What is the expected timeline for financial close and project development?

2.8. Are there any critical timing issues associated with the deal?

2.9. What percentage of the aggregate U.S. or defense demand would your minerals project represent?

Section 3: Technical

3.1. Have all relevant government concessions, licenses and permits been granted?

☐ Yes ☐ No If no, describe status:

3.2. Has a definitive/bankable feasibility study been drafted by an independent third-party?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.3. What technologies or processes are being used for the project and what are their track records at other sites?

3.4. What is the status of the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) contract and other operational contracts?

3.5. Has a recent environmental social impact assessment (ESIA) for the investment been drafted by a qualified third-party in accordance with International Finance Corporation Performance Standards?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3.6. Is the project reliant on the development of supporting infrastructure (rail, electricity, water, port, etc.) to build or operate the project and to get product to market?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe:

Section 4: Market

4.1. Who are the customers for the product or service provided by the project?

4.2. What portion of the company's customers serve China and/or their market segment?

4.3. Where does this project fall in the cost curve compared to its competitors?

4.4. Does the investment have preliminary or contracted offtake/supply contracts?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe:

4.5. Are there any risks to the development/timeline of those offtake contracts?

☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, describe

4.6. Are all agreements required for implementing the project in place?

☐ Yes ☐ No

4.7. What are the potential substitutes for this product today and in the next 5-10 years?