

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**THE NATIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT, THE MINISTRY OF MINING AND
ENERGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA, AND
THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTIAGO DE CALI**

AND

**THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

FOR COLLABORATION ON A SOLAR DECATHLON

The National Planning Department (DNP), the Ministry of Mining and Energy (MME) of the Republic of Colombia, and the Municipality of Santiago de Cali (Municipality) and the Department of Energy of the United States of America (DOE), hereinafter collectively the "Participants":

NOTING that the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Colombia have common goals in promoting sustainable economic development by encouraging the use of renewable energy;

NOTING that DOE is the founder, designer, and organizer of the Solar Decathlon, an international competition to promote the design of homes that are energy efficient and self-sufficient in energy use;

DESIRING to collaborate in the development of a successful Solar Decathlon competition to be held in the Municipality in December 2015, as a means to encourage private sector participation in the energy sector and promote the development and land use planning;

NOTING that the participation of DNP and MME in the Solar Decathlon will enable them to fulfill the objectives of Colombia's National Development Plan 2010-2014 of promoting national and regional sustainable growth, and the DNP and MME goal of promoting a diversified clean energy matrix;

SEEKING in the 2015 edition of the competition to combine local and regional specific characteristics of Colombia with the philosophy, principles and models already developed in past competitions held in the United States, Spain and China; and

NOTING that DOE has the experience and know-how to organize the first "Solar Decathlon Latin America and Caribbean SD-LAC" and is willing to collaborate with DNP, MME and the Municipality in such an endeavor,

Have reached the following understanding:

Section 1

Objective

1. The objective of this MOU is to establish a framework for collaboration among the Participants for the organization of a Latin America and Caribbean edition of the Solar Decathlon to be held in Santiago de Cali, Colombia in 2015, where the Municipality is to lead the organization of the competition, and where DOE, DNP and MME are to act as supporting entities.
2. The Participants intend to cooperate on the basis of mutual benefit and an open and mutual exchange of information on all aspects needed to ensure a successful Solar Decathlon competition in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Section 2

Scope of Collaboration

1. DOE authorizes DNP, MME and the Municipality, under appropriate conditions and for a period of two (2) years, the right to use the brand SOLAR DECATHLON for the event "Solar Decathlon Latin America and Caribbean" to take place in Santiago de Cali, Colombia in December 2015.
2. Exchange of information between and among the Participants may include, but is not limited to, rules, scoring, judging, officiating, safety, site selection, and equipment selection.

Section 3

Administration and Finance

1. To ensure the effective implementation and monitoring of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the Participants intend to establish an Oversight Committee composed of a maximum of seven members: two each from DOE, DNP and MME, and an international representative.
2. The Oversight Committee should report regularly to the Participants on the progress and plans, including a final report summarizing the success of the Colombian edition of the event "Solar Decathlon Latin America and Caribbean – SD LAC." Final approval of the plans and activities developed by the Oversight Committee is to be the responsibility of the Participants. The Oversight Committee should be created within 15 calendar days after signature of this MOU.
3. Except as otherwise decided in writing, all costs resulting from cooperation under this MOU are to be the responsibility of the Participant that incurs the cost. In any case, the contribution of DNP and MME for the "Solar Decathlon Latin America and Caribbean" event is to be non-monetary in-kind resources.

Section 4
Commencement, Modification and Discontinuation

1. Cooperation under this MOU may commence upon signature and continue for 2 years.
2. This MOU may be modified at any time in writing by mutual decision of the Participants.
3. If a Participant wishes to discontinue its cooperation under this MOU, it should endeavor to provide 120 days advance written notice to the other Participants.

Signed at Washington, in four originals, this tenth day of March 2014.

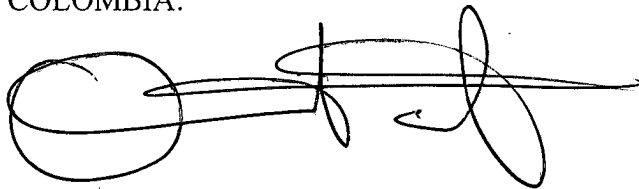
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