

# Vietnam Direct Purchase Power Agreement (DPPA)

USAID Vietnam Low Emission Energy Program II (V-LEEP II)



# About V-LEEP II

# V-LEEP II Goals and Objectives

Increase Deployment
of Advanced Energy
Systems
Objective #1

Increasing the deployment of advanced energy systems through improving enabling policies, laws, and regulations and mobilizing private investment.

2 Improve Energy Sector Performance

Improving energy sector performance by improving planning and operation practices.

Objective #2

Increase Competition in Energy Sector

Objective #3

Increasing energy sector competition by promoting transparent procurement practices and increasing the availability of advanced energy skilled workforce, products, and services.



V-LEEP II's ambitious goals include supporting the financial close of at least 2,000 MW of renewable energy projects., and is uniquely positioned to serve as a bridge between GVN and private sector



# Overview of Corporate/Direct Power Purchase Agreements

# Why Corporations Purchase Clean Energy

#### **Mandates**

#### **Types of Mandates**



Renewable Portfolio Standards



**Energy Efficiency Standards** 



Carbon-Reduction Goals



Climate Goals (e.g., NDCs under the Paris Agreement)

Government mandates to purchase RE often lead to utility programs, which allow or require RE purchases by large customers

#### **Corporate Commitments**

**Net Zero Commitments** 















#### **Stable Long-Term Financial Contracts**

Predictable energy costs over the term of the contract.





# Corporate RE Commitments: Four Initiatives Attracting New Members

#### 400+ Members

- Cumulative annual revenues over US\$2.75 trillion
- Over 30 Global Fortune 500 Companies





- **24 Companies** participated in the first stage for the ACT initiative (February 2016 – March 2017)
- Auto manufacturing
   Electric Utilities
- Retail

















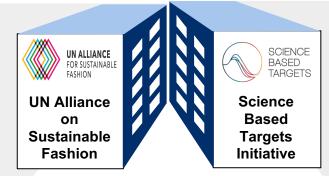




#### 9 UN Agencies

- Connect4Climate WBG
- ILO
- ITC Ethical Fashion Initiative
- UNDP
- UN Economic Commission For Europe

- UNEP
- UN Global Compact
- United Nations Office For **Partnerships**
- UNFCCC



**2,679 Companies** are acting across a

variety of sectors, including:

- Oil & Gas
- Construction
- Mining
- Food

- Textiles
- Transportation
- Real Estate
- Software



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# How Corporations Purchase Clean Energy



Energy Efficiency Measures



Renewable Energy Certificates



**Green Tariffs** 



Corporate/Direct Power Purchase Agreements



Carbon Offsets



On-Site Generation



### What is a Corporate or Direct PPA?

Corporate or Direct Power Purchase Agreements (CPPAs or DPPAs) are long-term contracts under which a consumer agrees to purchase electricity directly from an energy Generating Co. (GENCO) instead of through the enterprise's local power utility.

#### **Benefits of Corporate/Direct PPAs**

Low Up-Front Capital Costs

GENCOs get long-term revenue stream + transfers credit responsibilities to consumer

Increased Grid Usage and Reduced Fiscal Impact

GENCOs can dictate where generation is sited and balance capacity to the grid



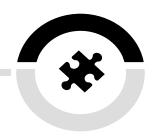
Procure grid-connected RE without having to develop consumer RE project



Long-Term Revenue/
Price Certainty



CPPAs generally increase revenue to the SMO, enabling new sources of RE.



Decouple Generation and Consumption Locations



# Development of Direct Power Purchase Agreement (DPPA) mechanism in Vietnam

## Why DPPA in Vietnam?



#### **Private Sector**

- Interest in a DPPA originated from power consumers.
  - **More than 40 global companies** have RE100 commitments and operations in **Vietnam**
- Project development community (i.e., solar and wind developers) also saw it as a way to bring projects to the market and secure lower cost financing.
- The DPPA was the #I recommendation of the 2016 "Made in Vietnam Energy Plan" by Vietnam Business Forum



#### **Government**

- Willingness of GVN to increase FDI to promote Vietnam's economic development helped secure the DPPA's place on the agenda of the political leadership and the Electricity Regulatory Authority of Vietnam (ERAV).
- Since 2017, USAID V-LEEP led publicprivate collaboration and worked with ERAV on the policy design and financial modeling

DPPAs will fit the requirements and goals of both the public and private sectors in Vietnam.



### USAID V-LEEP: Bringing Together the Public and Private Sectors





# Designing the DPPA Program

V-LEEP collaborated with GVN to support design and develop the DPPA Program including; evaluating international experiences, identifying models for Vietnam market, and evaluating financial impacts to the power market

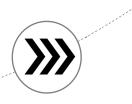
# Establishing the Renewable Energy Buyers Working Group Vietnam (REBWGV)

V-LEEP and Clean Energy Investment Accelerator cocreated REBWGV to share program design with the private sector and share feedback with GVN.



# Working with Public and Private Sector Stakeholders

V-LEEP bridged design requirements, conducted market surveys, and shared feedback with both GVN and private sector and enable efficient program design



#### **Moving Forward**

V-LEEP continues to gauge market interest, identify other areas for program support, and continues to provide trainings in an effort to secure a successful implementation.



## Listening to the Voice of Energy Buyers

#### **Corporate DPPA Declaration**

- + **2017 APEC Summit:** USAID V-LEEP supported the initial DPPA Declaration's release to communicate the undersigned companies' commitment to securing direct access to RE.
- + **June 2019**:V-LEEP Convened a formal DPPA Public Consultation, where Ambassador Daniel J. Kritenbrink provided keynote address. Approximately 120 participants from government agencies, the private sector, international donors, and development partners joined this workshop to learn about DPPAs in Vietnam.

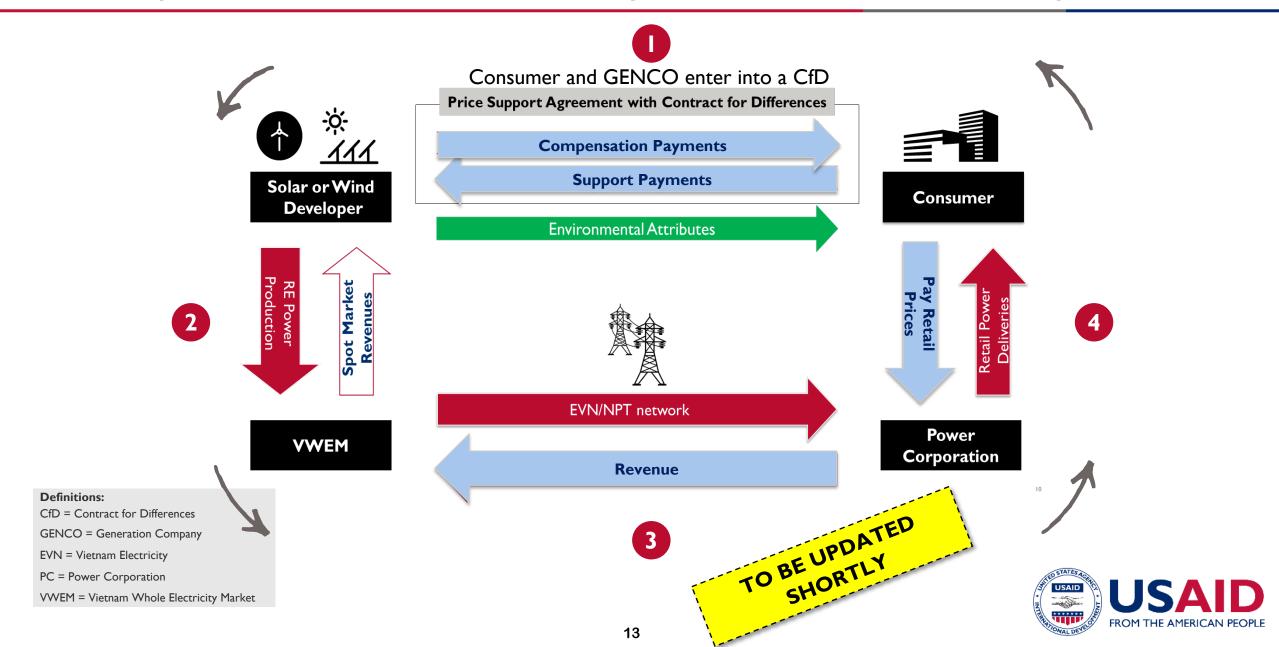




- + April 2021: MOIT shared a draft DPPA Pilot Circular. However, the selected DPPA model required significant changes in Electricity Law
- + May 2022: MOIT developed and shared an updated draft DPPA PM Decision that is fully compliant with current legal framework
- + **Present**: DPPA framework and associated circulars on wholesale electricity market are being updated, aiming for a final approval shortly



# Proposed Draft DPPA Mechanism per 2nd draft Decision 9 May 2022



#### Lessons Learned from Vietnam

#### Commitments



#### **DPPAs**



#### **Impact**



Global firms need country level support

to maintain their strong and growing

commitments to sustainability.



**Corporate/Direct Power Purchase** 

Agreements are one solution to enable companies to abide by their sustainability commitments.



Doing so will promote leading practices, new business models, and continued FDI.

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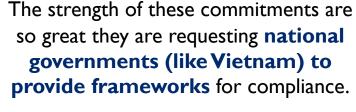
These companies need strategies to apply their commitments to their supply chains, especially in Vietnam.

| | | | | | Coordination between Consumers and Developers is essential to unify the private sector and engage policymakers to unlock access to clean energy.

Successful programs can persuade government to act as a regional champions, catalyzing shift towards clean energy, crowding in other stakeholders.

**Active support for Government** 

requires practical approaches such as knowledge transfer of leading international experience, market surveys, technical assistance, and legal analyses.





# Thank you!

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