Proposed European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Investment in Electroprivreda Bosne i Herzegovine (PBiH) Hydro Power Plants Project

(Bosnia Herzegovina) September 17, 2013 United States Position

The United States is uncomfortable with the lack of information available to the board regarding the current state of the aquatic ecosystem in the Bosna River.

The United States appreciates that there was a requirement in the Environmental and Social Action Plan (ESAP) to conduct a study on this and to identify any necessary risk mitigants prior to board approval.

The United States believes it was correct to require this in the ESAP, and the United States is therefore disappointed that the study has not yet been completed and the Board is moving ahead with consideration without being fully informed of the possible impacts.

Therefore the United States will abstain.