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Removing barriers to energy efficiency
improvements in the state sector in Belarus

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ECE in kind contribution

Technical assistance, presentation of project opportunities to foreign business, staff travel, communications, conference services

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Main project drivers:

- 2007- energy imports prices rising dramatically
- Two compelling reasons for the national and local governments to invest to EE:
 - economic saving
 - energy security

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Barriers to Energy Efficiency

- Demand side - lack of capacity to develop the business plan, poor quality audits, lack of incentives to invest in EE
- Supply side – investment funding dominated by government grants , limits to supply of funding (credit underutilized, funding not leveraged effectively)

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Project Rationale and Policy Conformity

- Government proven support for EE – unusually strong compared other CIS countries
- Government directly controls 80 % economy, limited market-based approaches
- Project proposed activities reflect mixed situation
- Range of mechanisms to increase investment

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Project goal

Reduction of GHG emission by removing the major barriers to the development of a market for energy efficient products and services to reduce and offset fossil fuel use in Belarus

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Outcome 3

Project successes sustained and replicated

- create an Energy Centre
- create a pipeline of EE investments
- expand the number of budget organizations using energy norms, settlement accounts for energy savings and incentives to staff

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ECE support for the Energy Centre in 2010

- Joint organization (ECE/ISED/UNDP/EC) Renewable Energy Workshop 22-23 July, Minsk
- Workshops in Kiev, Sofia and Warsaw scheduled September/October 2010
 - to analyse success cases
 - to seek know-how
 - to establish cooperation and network

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Thank you !

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