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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006¹ laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI), and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted, under the European Neighbourhood Policy², the Regional Strategy Document (2007-2013)³ and the Regional Indicative Programme 2011-2013⁴ for the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership, which set as priorities regional co-operation on energy and climate change.
- (2) The objectives pursued by this Annual Action Programme are to strengthen the capacity of local authorities in the ENPI South region to implement more sustainable local policies and support climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts in ENPI South countries.
- (3) The present Decision constitutes a Financing Decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget⁵ (hereafter 'the Financial Regulation') and Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget⁶ (hereafter 'the Implementing Rules').
- (4) The maximum contribution of the European Union set by the present Decision should cover any possible claims for interest due for late payment on the basis of articles 83 of the Financial Regulation and 106(5) of its Implementing Rules.

¹ OJ L 310, 9.11.2006, p. 1-14.

² This action programme concerns the ENPI South countries.

³ C(2007)672 of 27.02.2007.

⁴ C(2010)9365 of 22.12.2010.

⁵ OJ L 248 of 16.09.2002, p. 1-48.

⁶ OJ L 357 of 31.12.2002, p. 1-71.

- (5) The Commission is required to define the term “substantial change” in the meaning of Article 90 (4) of the Implementing Rules to ensure that any substantial change in this Decision shall follow the same procedure as the initial decision.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee set up under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annual Action Programme in favour of the Mediterranean region, constituted by the actions "Cleaner and Energy Saving Mediterranean Cities" and "Clima South: Support for Climate Change mitigation and adaptation in ENPI South region", the text of which is set out in the attached Annexes, is approved.

Article 2

The maximum contribution of the European Union to this Annual Action Programme is set at EUR 10 million to be financed from budget line 19.080101 of the general budget of the European Union for 2011.

This maximum contribution shall also cover any possible interests due for late payment.

Article 3

Cumulated changes of the allocations to the specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution of the European Union shall not be considered substantial, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the Annual Action Programme. This may include an increase of the maximum contribution of the European Union up to 20%.

The relevant authorising officer may amend the present Decision to introduce non substantial changes to the Annual Action Programme in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Done at Brussels, 30.11.2011

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

ANNEXES

2011 Annual Action Programme for the Mediterranean Region:

Annex 1: action fiche Cleaner and Energy Saving Mediterranean Cities

Annex 2: action fiche Clima South: Support for Climate Change mitigation and adaptation in ENPI South region