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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	<i>FRENCH 5G ROLLOUT</i>
Project Number:	<i>2020-0032</i>
Country:	<i>France</i>
Project Description:	The project relates to the first phase of the deployment of a new 5G network in France, as well as the coverage expansion of 4G services in rural areas to mitigate the country's digital divide.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

The project implementation was composed of the upgrade of existing sites with 5G equipment, notably in the 3.5 GHz band in densely populated areas, as well as the erection of a lower number of new 4G sites in rural areas that did not have access to mobile broadband services.

The erection of the new sites required building permits, and in the small number of cases in Natura 2000 and other sensitive areas, as part of the permitting process, the project is presented to the regional technical and environmental authorities (DDT - Direction Départementale Technique and DREAL - Direction Régionale de l'Environnement, de l'Aménagement et du Logement) that determine the conditions and mitigation measures required to approve the proposed site deployment. The promoter has confirmed that there have not been any significant environmental and social issues in relation with the current project.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter during implementation that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.