## Impact Evaluation of the Rural Water Project in Nampula: Informed Consent Form 2011 Baseline Study

**Note:** All participants in this study must complete the following informed consent, including the household heads, water committee members, and other members of the community present during the interview. The people who do not give their consent to participate should not be pressured or encouraged to participate. All of the enumerators involved in the project should be tested on their ability to effectively deliver the informed consent.

## Version for the household

Presentation: Good morning (afternoon), my name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I work for WE Consult, a consulting company in Mozambique. We were contracted by Stanford University to help the Mozambique Government conduct this study about the water supply services and quality of life in 54 communities in Nampula, including [name of community]. The objective of this study is to evaluate the impact of the quality of your water service systems on your lives.

Are you the head of this household? [If the participant is not the head of the household, ask to speak with the head of the household and start the presentation again.]

You were randomly selected for this study, and this is the reason that many of your neighbors were not selected. I would like to invite you to participate in this study. The information that you give us will be kept anonymous. We will write down your first name and not your family name, and we will not share your data in any way that could be linked to your family.

Today, I would like to speak with you about the water supply services in your community and other aspects of your life here in [name of community]. I will ask some questions and record the answers here in this small computer [show the participant the PDA]. This survey will last around one hour. This survey does not present any risk to you or your family.

**Your participation in this study is completely voluntary**. Even when you have started to participate in the survey, you have the right to stop participating at any moment, for any reason.

The people at WE Consult have spoken to the leaders in this community and they have given permission for us to conduct these interviews. If at any moment you feel dissatisfied with the study or have other questions or doubts, you can contact Sérgio Barros at WE Consult who can respond to your questions and help you contact the authorities at Stanford University in America (Department of Human Sciences). Mr. Sérgio Barros is available at his office in Maputo; here is his contact information [give the participant the slip of paper with the rural contact information.]

Do you have any questions about the purpose of this study or the activities involved in the study? [Take notes and answer all questions they ask.]

Can you tell me if you would like to participate in this study today? [Verify and confirm the desire of the respondent to participate. If they seem uncomfortable or refuse directly, thank them for their time and leave.]

Yes	No