Revision of the “CDM Glossary of terms” regarding approval of proposed CDM project activities by Parties and authorization

1. The Board agreed to insert the following two terms in the “CDM Glossary of terms”:

“Approval by Parties involved:
A written approval constitutes the authorization by a designated national authority (DNA) of specific entity(ies)’ participation as project proponents in the specific CDM project activity. The approval covers the requirements of paragraphs 33 and 40 (a) and (f) of the CDM modalities and procedures.

The DNA of a Party involved in a proposed CDM project activity shall issue a statement including the following:
- The Party has ratified the Kyoto Protocol.
- The approval of voluntary participation in the proposed CDM project activity
- In the case of Host Party(ies): statement that the proposed CDM project activity contributes to sustainable development.

The written approval shall be unconditional with respect to the above.

Multilateral funds do not necessarily require written approval from each participant’s DNA. However those not providing a written approval may be giving up some of their rights and privileges in terms of being a Party involved in the project.

A written approval from a Party may cover more than one project provided that all projects are clearly listed in the letter.

The DOE shall receive documentation of the approval.”

“Party involved:
A Party involved is a Party that provides a written approval.
See “Approval by Parties involved”.

2. The Board agreed to revise the following terms as follows:

“Authorization of a private and/or public entity to participate in a CDM project activity:
See “Approval by Parties involved”.”

“Project participants:
In accordance with the use of the term project participant in the CDM modalities and procedures, a project participant is (a) a Party involved, or (b) a private and/or public entity authorized by a Party involved to participate in a CDM project activity.

In accordance with Appendix D of the CDM modalities and procedures, the decision on the distribution of CERs from a CDM project activity shall exclusively be taken by project participants.
Project participants shall communicate with the Executive Board, through the secretariat, in writing in accordance with the “modalities of communication” submitted together with the registration form.

If a project participant does not wish to be involved in taking decisions on the distribution of CERs, this shall be communicated to the Executive Board, through the secretariat, at the latest when the request regarding the distribution is made. See also: “Approval by Parties involved”, “Party involved” and “Request for distribution of CERs”.”