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*For more information please visit the page CDM Project activities “under review” and “review requested” of the UNFCCC CDM website (http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/under_review.html and <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/review.html>).

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Membership issues (including disclosure of possible conflict of interest)

1. **Background:** The Chair shall ascertain whether (a) the members present constitute a quorum, and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”¹.
2. The Chair shall request, at the beginning of each meeting of the CDM Executive Board, members and alternates to disclose whether they consider to have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the Board.
3. **Action:** The Board may consider information provided by any member and alternate member, including with respect to any potential conflict of interest, and take action, as appropriate.

2. Adoption of the agenda

4. **Background:** The Board agreed, at its twenty-third meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda for its twenty-fourth meeting. In accordance with rule 21 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board, subsequent additions or changes to the provisional agenda by members and/or alternate members were to be incorporated in the proposed agenda. No suggestions for changes were received. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the Board on 20 April 2006 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC CDM website.
5. **Action:** Members may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the twenty-fourth meeting.

3. Work plan

(a) Accreditation of operational entities

6. **Background:** The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of the tenth progress report of the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP) and an oral report on the work of the CDM-AP presented by Mr. John Kilani, Chair of the CDM-AP, including the status of applications and developments with respect to desk reviews and on-site assessments. The Chair, in particular, brought into the attention of the Board the difficulties faced due to non-availability of methodology experts to participate in the witnessing activities.
7. The Board agreed to appoint Mr. Hernan Carlino as the new Chair and Ms. Anastasia Moskalenko as the new Vice Chair of the CDM accreditation panel. The Board also appointed Mr. Massamba Thioye as the methodology expert to the accreditation panel.
8. The Board agreed, pursuant to decisions 17/CP.7 and 21/CP.8, to accredit, and provisionally designate, two entities for sector-specific validation and one for sector-specific verification/certification. The Board noted that another entity located in a non-Annex I Party was accredited: “the Korean Foundation for Quality (KFQ)” from the Republic of Korea.
9. **Work undertaken/in progress:** The CDM-AP held its twenty-first meeting on 22 - 23 April 2006, in Bonn, Germany. The eleventh progress report on the work of the CDM-AP had been sent to the EB on 26 April 2006. The progress report also contains revised accreditation procedure for accrediting operational entities for the initial consideration of the Board. The CDM-AP requests the Board to agree to make the revised accreditation procedure available to applicant entities and designated operational entities and the assessment team members for their views. In accordance with the accreditation procedure, the

¹ Please refer to rules 28 and 7 of the rules of procedures of the Executive Board.



recommendations for phased accreditation and the supporting documentation are confidential and have been sent under separate cover on the same date.

10. **Selection of Panel Members:** The Board, at its twenty-third meeting agreed on the revised terms of reference for the CDM-AP. The Board agreed that a call for experts to open starting 1 March 2006 and ending 12 April 2006 (17:00 GMT) in order to replace the three outgoing members of the CDM-AP with a view to prepare a shortlist of experts for consideration by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting. The Board also agreed that members currently serving the CDM-AP may submit their application and be included in the short list. The secretariat made a call for experts for the period mentioned above and applications have been received from the interested experts. A list of short-listed applicants will be provided.

11. **CDM-AP meeting schedule:** The twenty-second meeting of the CDM-AP is tentatively scheduled on 22 - 23 June 2006, Bonn, Germany.

12. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of the eleventh progress report on the work of the CDM-AP; (b) consider recommendations by the CDM-AP and take action, as appropriate; (c) select replacements for three outgoing members of the CDM-AP; (c) consider revised accreditation procedure and agree to make the procedure available to the entities and the assessment team members for their views; and (d) consider further guidance to the CDM-AP, as appropriate.

(b) Methodologies for baselines and monitoring

13. **Background:** The Executive Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of the report of the nineteenth meeting of the panel on baseline and monitoring methodologies (Meth Panel), and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. Jean-Jacques Becker, on the work of the panel.

14. The Meth Panel held its twentieth meeting in Bonn, Germany from 4 April to 7 April 2006 and undertook its work in two parallel groups. The newly elected Chair, Mr Rajesh Sethi and Vice Chair, Mr. Jean Jacques Becker chaired the meeting with the support from Mr. Lex de Jonge and Mr Xuedu Lu. The Meth Panel dealt with general issues relating to process, methodological clarifications and guidance, and case-specific issues as specified below.

15. **Responses to clarifications:** In accordance with the procedures for submission and consideration of queries regarding the application of approved methodologies by DOEs to the Meth Panel, adopted by the Board at its twentieth meeting, the Meth Panel considered 5 requests for clarifications by DOEs relating to the application of approved baseline and monitoring methodologies and provided answers. These clarifications are publicly available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/Clarifications>>.

16. The Meth Panel recommended the following responses to clarifications:

(a) ACM0006: Amendment to Draft ACM0006/Version 02 – to request the DOE to submit the case as “request for revisions” as clarifications requires a significant revision to the methodology.

(b) ACM0006: Scenario 14: Clarification on the equation to determine net quantity of increased electricity generation – to revise the approved methodology ACM0006 to reflect the clarifications requested.

(c) AM0008: Applicability condition on Natural gas from LNG – to clarify to the DOE that methodologies is applicable to only power generation projects and also where natural gas is obtained from re-gassification of LNG.

(d) ACM0001: Clarification on requirement for monitoring of LFG flows – to decline the request for reducing the monitoring requirements as it would result in less conservative estimate of emissions reductions.



(e) ACM0001: Requirement for separate monitoring of LFG temperature and pressure - The Meth Panel accepted the request and revised the methodology to reflect the request.

17. **Responses to revisions:** In accordance with the procedures for revision of an approved methodology, agreed by the Board at its twenty-first meeting, the Meth Panel considered 8 requests for revisions of approved methodologies relating to the application of approved baseline and monitoring methodologies and provided answers. The requests and the responses are publicly available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/Revisions>>. Requests for revisions that implied a recommendation by the Meth Panel to revise an approved methodology are reflected in paragraph below. The Meth Panel recommended following responses to request for revisions:

(a) ACM0006: New scenario 16 (fossil fuel displacement and power capacity expansion) and scenario 17 (partial or complete fuel switch) for projects in existing power plant already co-firing biomass and fossil fuels - The Meth Panel declined the request as the information provided in the revisions submitted were not clear on the nature of project activity and suggested resubmission after incorporating the suggestion changes;

(b) ACM0005: Amendment of the three options for selecting the benchmark for baseline emissions - The Meth Panel accepted the request to revise the approved methodology with minor modifications to the request.

(c) ACM0006: Request for amendment to include biomass residues fuel switch projects that generate heat but do not produce electricity - The Meth Panel declined the request for revisions and suggested submission of new methodology for heat only generation projects, as inclusion of heat alone options in ACM0006 will make the methodology too complex to implement.

18. **Revisions of approved methodologies:** In response to technical queries and inputs by project participants and DOEs, the Meth Panel considered and recommended to revise the approved methodologies AM0001, AM0019, AM0026, ACM0001, ACM0002, ACM0003, ACM0005, ACM0006, ACM0009, as outlined in the annexes to its report.

19. **General issues relating to guidance:** The Meth Panel considered a number of methodological issues for which further clarifications and guidance by the Board are necessary as outlined below.

(a) The Meth Panel recommended a draft “technical guidelines for the development of new baseline and monitoring methodologies”, which combines all guidance provided by the Board on methodological issues in one single document with the aim of facilitating the development of new methodologies. These guidelines will replace the current guidelines for completing the CDM-NMB and CDM-NMM contained within the guidelines for completing CDM-PDD, CDM-NMB and CDM-NMM version 4. Furthermore the Meth Panel will continue to work on the “catalogue of methodological components”, with a view to providing a proposal for guidance to the Board at its next meeting.

(b) The Meth Panel revised the existing CDM-NMB and CDM-NMB forms in line with the current form for A/R methodologies (CDM-AR-NM). The Meth Panel recommends the approval of the new combined form for proposed new baseline and monitoring methodologies (CDM-NM).

(c) The Meth Panel also recommended that the desk review (F-CDM-NM_{ex}) and recommendation forms (F-CDM-NM_{mp}) and the CDM-PDD form and its guidelines, should be revised in order to reflect the structure of new baseline and monitoring.

(d) In view of proposed new methodologies that have been submitted for project activities implemented under a programme of activities, the Meth Panel requests the Board to clarify whether it should



work on a definition of terms for CDM project activities under a programme of activities in order to ensure consistency with the guidance of COP/MOP1 on CDM project activities under a programme of activities.

(e) The Meth Panel took note that the revised version of AM0025 accommodates all types of project activities for which AM0012 is applicable and therefore recommended that the approved methodologies AM0012 and AM0025 be consolidated.

(f) In considering the expert input on the use of the zero check to calibrate gas flow meters, the Meth Panel recommended that a zero check cannot be considered as a substitute for calibration of the measurement instrument.

(g) The Meth Panel furthermore recommended the revised approved methodology AM0001, which includes that the calibration of the flow meter used for the measurement of HFC-23 gas flow be conducted every six months and the zero check on a weekly basis. Should the zero check indicate that the flow meter is not stable, an immediate calibration of the flow meter should be undertaken by an officially accredited entity.

(h) In response to the request by the Board, at its twenty third meeting, to consider inputs received in response to a call for inputs on double counting and make a recommendation on the issue the Meth Panel recommended that for blended biofuel project activities:

- (i) The emissions reductions from the use of biofuels shall be credited to producers of biofuels, as long as it is demonstrated and ensured that the biofuel is consumed by end consumers;
- (ii) The emissions reductions from the use of biofuels could be credited to the consumer of biofuel for transport project activities, where for such project activities the consumer identifies the producer of the biofuel to ensure that the producer does not claim certified emission reductions for the same biofuel consumed.

20. **Recent submissions of proposed new methodologies – status of consideration:** Thirty-three (33) proposed new methodologies were submitted at the fourteenth round for submitting new methodologies, which closed on 11 January 2006. Eight (8) of these cases were pre-assessed by the DOEs. Of the remaining 25 cases, one was a re-submission and seven (7) were pre-assessed as a “2”. The Meth Panel considered 12 cases from round fourteen at its twentieth meeting, while the balance will be considered at its twenty-first meeting. Information on methodologies currently under consideration by the Board and the Meth Panel are available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/publicview.html>).

21. The Meth Panel considered **32 cases of proposed new methodologies** for baselines and monitoring, of which twelve (12) had been submitted in the fourteenth round. Recommendations for consolidation or preliminary and/or final consideration were prepared for 26 cases.

22. The Meth Panel agreed to defer its consideration of cases **NM0105-rev, NM0107-rev, NM0108-rev, NM0123-rev, NM0141 and NM0143** in order to address issues with a view to prepare a recommendation for possible approval of these cases at its twenty-first meeting.

23. **Case-specific recommendations:** Taking into consideration the inputs by experts (desk reviewers) and the public, the Meth Panel recommended to:

(a) Approve cases **NM0038-rev (which is consolidated with approved methodology AM0013), NM0080-rev, NM0082-rev, NM0112-rev, NM0124-rev and NM0153 (which is incorporated into NM0080-rev)**;



(b) Forward cases **NM0133**, **NM0134**, **NM0140** and **NM0142** for revision to the project participants and for resubmission without the need for further experts and public input;

(c) Not to approve cases **NM0117-rev**, **NM0136** and **NM0148** that, if revised taking into account comments, can be resubmitted but will require new expert and public input.

24. **Consolidation of methodologies:** The Meth Panel recommended the draft consolidated methodologies:

(a) “Consolidated methodology for greenhouse gas mitigation from manure management systems”, which is based on the approved methodologies AM0006 and AM0016 and therefore recommended to withdraw approved methodologies AM0006 and AM0016.

(b) “Avoided methane emissions from organic waste-water treatment”, which is based on the case NM0038-rev and approved methodology AM0013 and therefore recommended to withdraw the approved methodology AM0013.

25. **Withdrawal of AM0008:** The approved methodology ACM0009 incorporates the applicability conditions of AM0008 and it has been revised to expand its applicability to use of natural gas derived from re-gasification of LNG. Therefore the Meth Panel recommended the withdrawal of approved methodology AM0008.

26. **For information:** The Meth Panel considered the following issues:

(a) The Meth Panel agreed on preliminary recommendations to project participants for proposals NM0121, NM0130, NM0135, NM0144, NM0145, NM0146, NM0147, NM0149, NM0150, NM0151, NM0152, NM0154 and NM0155.

(b) The Meth Panel agreed to work on a consolidated methodology for the production and use of biofuels in the transport sector.

(c) The Meth Panel agreed to prepare a proposal for providing guidance on monitoring information to be included in CDM-PDD and CDM-NM with respect to standards for measurement, information on calibration procedures and procedures to address situations when measuring instruments are non-functional.

(d) The Meth Panel, noted that in some cases upstream emissions can result in leakages as well as double counting and agreed to use expert inputs with a view to make a proposal for guidance, on the consideration of leakages from upstream emissions, for the consideration by the Board.

(e) The Meth Panel will continue its work, as requested by the Board at its twenty-third meeting, to consider the use of IPCC carbon emission values for fuels in situations where country/region specific values are available from other published sources.

(f) As requested by the Board at its last meeting, the Meth Panel considered the responses to the call for inputs on the “baseline selection tool” and “additionality tool”. The Meth Panel agreed to consider the following items at its next meeting, with a view to making a recommendation for consideration by the Board at its twenty fifth meeting:

(i) Identification of possible changes to improve the tool for the demonstration & assessment of additionality and the draft baseline scenario selection tool;

(ii) Assessment on possible ways to combine the additionality tool with the draft baseline scenario selection tool; and



- (iii) Identification, and where possible development of alternative approaches to assess additionality, or to choose the baseline scenario.

27. **Further schedule:** The CDM-MP 19 agreed to convene its next meetings on **6 – 9 June 2006** taking into account the schedule of the Board. The tentative schedule for meetings in 2006 will be available at: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth>.

28. **Call for members:** The Board agreed, at its twenty-third meeting, to launch a call for experts in order to replace outgoing members of the Meth Panel. It requested the secretariat to compile a list of applications and a short-list, including members currently serving on the Meth Panel who indicated their interest to continue, for further consideration by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting with a view to designating members for the Meth Panel at that meeting. The invitation to experts was posted on the UNFCCC CDM website from 1 March to 12 April 2006. The confidential list of 26 applications and related documentation are available on the access-restricted extranet of the Board. In accordance with past practice, the confidential short-list will be made available in the closed session at the meeting.

29. **Action:** The Board may wish to consider: (a) the report of the twentieth meeting of the Meth Panel and oral updates by its Chair; (b) recommendation for the consolidation of AM0012 and AM0025; (c) general guidance on zero check as a means of calibration of measurement instruments; and revision of AM0001 to incorporate guidance on calibration of the HFC-23 flow measurement meter; (d) recommendation on addressing double counting for biofuel production and consumption for transport; (e) draft “technical guidelines for the development of new baseline and monitoring methodologies”; (f) new CDM-NM form and request to the Meth Panel to revise related forms to reflect the structure of new CDM-NM form; (g) proposal for a definition of terms for CDM project activities under a programme of activities; (h) consolidation of approved methodologies AM0006 and AM0016 and consolidation of AM0013 with NM0038-rev; (i) the recommendation to revise AM0001, AM0019, AM0026, ACM0001, ACM0002, ACM0003, ACM0005, ACM0006, ACM0009; (j) the withdrawal of AM0008, AM0006, AM0013, and AM0016; (k) the final recommendations by the Meth Panel on draft reformatted approved methodology for NM0080-rev, incorporating NM0153, NM0082-rev, NM0112-rev and NM0124-rev; (l) the recommendations by the Meth Panel, referred to above, on cases, NM0117-rev, NM0133, NM0134, NM0136 NM0140, NM0142 and NM0148; (m) other recommendations by the Meth Panel as contained in the report of its twentieth meeting; (n) the shortlist of applicants to the Meth Panel and select members for the new term of the Meth Panel; and (o) guidance to the Meth Panel on additional matters, as appropriate.

(c) **Issues relating to afforestation and reforestation project activities**

30. **Background and current work in progress:** The Executive Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of the report of the seventh meeting of the Working Group on afforestation and reforestation project activities under the CDM (A/R WG), and of an oral report by the secretariat on behalf of the vice Chair, Mr. José Miguez, on the work of this working group. The Board appointed Mr. Philip M. Gwage as Chair and Mr. Masaharu Fujitomi as Vice Chair of this working group.

31. The A/R WG held its eighth meeting (A/R WG 08) in Bonn (Germany) from 28 to 29 March 2006. It dealt with case specific issues as well as with general issues relating to process and methodological clarifications, as specified below.

32. The ongoing work of the A/R WG includes:

- (a) Consideration of a proposal on leakage in A/R project activities in order to provide clarifications to project participants on options to address this issue.



- (b) Consideration of the issue of defining project boundary for possible situations where all the areas to be afforested/reforested are not identified at registration of the project.
- (c) Working on a proposal to account for uncertainty in data measurement and parameters for estimating the net anthropogenic greenhouse gas removals by sinks and will in doing so identify further areas of uncertainty and ways of address these.
33. **General issues relating to process:** Taking into consideration the procedures for clarifications of approved methodologies for non-A/R CDM project activities, as agreed by the Board at its twentieth meeting, the A/R WG recommended that these procedures apply *mutatis mutandis* to approved methodologies for A/R CDM project activities.
34. **General issues relating to clarifications/guidance:** The A/R WG 08 considered a number of methodological issues for which further clarifications and guidance by the Board are necessary as outlined below:
- (a) In order to address the presence of **afforestation/reforestation as a plausible baseline scenario**, although at a slower rate than in the project scenario, in certain proposed new methodologies the A/R WG agreed on a proposal as contained in its fifth meeting report.
- (b) The A/R WG recommended minor editorial changes to the approved methodology **AR-AM0001**, as contained in the annex to its fifth meeting report.
- (c) The A/R WG recommended that **losses of carbon in carbon pools due to the construction of access roads**, within the project boundary, are negligible compared to net anthropogenic GHG removals by sinks over the crediting period.
35. **Recent submissions of proposed new A/R methodologies - status of consideration:** Six (6) proposed new methodologies for afforestation and reforestation project activities (A/R methodologies) were submitted at the ninth round for submitting new methodologies, which concluded on 17 March 2006. These cases are currently undergoing pre-assessment by the A/R WG members, in accordance with the procedures of submission and consideration of a proposed new AR methodology. The cases, which will pass the quality-check done in pre-assessment by the A/R WG members, will be considered at the ninth meeting of the A/R WG. Information on A/R methodologies currently under consideration by the Board and the A/R WG are available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/ARmethodologies/publicview.html>).
36. The A/R WG 08 considered seven (**7**) **cases of proposed new A/R methodologies** for baselines and monitoring, of which one (1) one was submitted in the sixth round, five (4) in the seventh round, two (2) in the eighth round.
37. **Case-specific recommendations:** The A/R WG, taking into consideration the inputs by experts (desk reviewers) and the public, agreed on recommendations to the Board to:
- (a) **approve cases ARNM007-rev and ARNM0018;**
- (b) forward cases **ARNM00012** and **ARNM0017** for **revision** to the project participants without the need for further expert and public input.



38. **Other case specific issues:** The A/R WG agreed on preliminary recommendations to project participants on proposals **ARNM0019** and **ARNM0020**.
39. The A/R WG agreed to consider **ARNM0015** at its eighth meeting.
40. **Further schedule:** The A/R WG 07 agreed to convene its next meeting from 13 to 14 June 2006 and subsequent meeting from **1 - 2 September 2006**, taking into account the schedule of the Board. The tentative schedule for meetings in 2006 can be found at: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar>>.
41. **Call for experts:** The Board agreed, at its twentieth meeting, to launch a call for experts in order to replace outgoing members of the A/R WG. It requested the secretariat to compile a list of applications and a short-list, including members currently serving on the Meth Panel who indicated their interest to continue, for further consideration by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting with a view to designating members for the A/R WG at that meeting. The invitation to experts was posted on the UNFCCC CDM website from 1 March to 12 April 2006. The confidential list of 24 applications and related documentation are available on the access-restricted extranet of the Board. In accordance with past practice, the confidential short-list will be made available in the closed session at the meeting.
42. **Action:** The Board may wish to consider (a) the report of the eighth meeting of the A/R WG and oral updates by its Chair; (b) a recommendation to adopt the procedures for clarifications as for non-A/R CDM project activities; (c) a proposal to address the presence of afforestation/reforestation as a plausible baseline scenario; (d) minor editorial changes to the approved methodology AR-AM0001; (e) a recommendation to treat as negligible losses of carbon in carbon pools due to the construction of access roads; (f) recommendations by the A/R WG, referred to above, on cases ARNM007-rev, ARNM00012, ARNM0017, ARNM0018; (g) the shortlist of applicants to the A/R WG and select members for the new term of the working group; and (h) guidance to the A/R WG on additional matters, as appropriate.
- (d) Issues relating to small-scale CDM project activities**
43. **Background:** The Executive Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of the report of the fourth meeting of the working group to assist the Executive Board in reviewing proposed methodologies for small-scale CDM project activities (SSC-WG) and of an oral report by its Chair, Ms. Gertraud Wollansky, on the progress achieved by this working group.
44. **Work undertaken/in progress:** The SSC-WG considered, at its fifth meeting, eight (8) requests for clarifications/revisions from project participants and operational entities and agreed on recommendations, contained in its report, relating to amending indicative simplified baseline and monitoring methodologies.
45. The SSC WG considered the submissions received in response to the call for public inputs requested by the Board at its twenty-third meeting on “procedures to address ‘leakage’ from small-scale CDM biomass project activities”. The SSC WG recommended the revised draft methodologies “**SSC Category - I. E. Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications**” and “**SSC Category - II. G. Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass**”. The amendments take into account relevant potential sources of leakage from both non-renewable and renewable biomass use. The emission reduction calculations for these categories (baseline and leakage) are only applicable to small scale project activities as the leakages of large scale CDM project activities might be significant. In response to the request by the Board at its twenty-third meeting, the SSC WG undertook an analytic comparison of emission reductions from project activities using the draft categories I.E & II.G, with carbon content of replaced non-renewable biomass and concluded that the emission reduction applying the proposed categories I.E and II.G above amount to about 13-36% of those which could be obtained with the existence of the non-renewable biomass option previously, the inclusion the leakage consideration further adversely impact the economics of the project activity (for detail of the analysis please refer to annex 7 of the SSC WG 05 report).



46. Taking into consideration the recommendations of A/R Working Group on procedures to consider leakage in all SSC renewable biomass project activities, the SSC WG recommended guidelines to address significant leakage sources (>10% of emission reductions) such as **shifts or displacement of pre-project activities, emissions** related to the production of the biomass and the **competing uses for the biomass** as a new attachment to appendix B to the indicative SSC methodologies.
47. As requested by the Board at its twenty-first meeting, the SSC WG developed detailed **guidance on the direct project emissions to be considered under type III activities**. The Board approved such guidance for five of the categories at its twenty-third meeting. SSC WG recommended guidance for the remaining three categories (AMS-III.C, -III.B and -III.D), which includes guidance on accounting of methane leakage and uncombusted methane due to flare inefficiency or flare availability.
48. The SSC WG recommended an amendment to the procedure for estimating the combined margin emission factor of **AMS - I.D. Grid connected renewable electricity generation**, making it thereby consistent with ACM0002. The recommended changes would provide more options to the project proponents to estimate the emission factors, while also ensuring chosen emission factors are conservative even in grid systems dominated by low cost/must run resources (e.g. hydroelectric power generation).
49. The SSC WG recommended an amendment to **AMS - III.I. Avoidance of methane production in wastewater treatment through replacement of anaerobic lagoons by aerobic systems** to clarify the applicability condition relating to residence time of wastewater being treated.
50. The SSC WG recommended an amendment to **AMS - III.H. Methane Recovery in Wastewater Treatment**, to clarify the inclusion of methane emission factor in the formula for baseline calculations.
51. The SSC WG recommended a new category “**SSC Category – III. J. Avoidance of fossil fuel combustion for carbon dioxide production to be used as raw material for industrial processes**” under type III. The category is applicable to (a) project activities that replace the carbon dioxide produced by fossil fuel combustion with carbon dioxide captured from a renewable biomass source and (b) project activities that result in total emission reduction not exceeding 15 kilo tons CO_{2e} annually during every year of the crediting period. The SSC WG took into consideration the approved methodology AM0027 while developing this category.
52. To guide the further consideration of a submission for a revision of the existing “AMS.III.C - Emission reductions by low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles” methodology which covered (a) effects from replacing road transport by transport through pipelines and (b) shortening of the shipping route in international waters as a result of measures under (a), the SSC WG requests the Board to confirm whether reductions in the **use of bunker fuels from international maritime applications** (in this case the shortening of the shipping route) are to be considered or not.
53. In its work on developing a category for **project activities using biofuels in the transportation** sector and the SSC WG recommended to **launch a call for public input** on issues pertaining to the production and use of biofuels for SSC project activities.
54. The SSC WG carried out an analysis of the ‘definition of small-scale CDM project activities’ as requested by the Board at its twenty-third meeting. The SSC WG agreed that the barriers to developing projects under type II small scale CDM project activities might not be limited to the eligibility limits alone and therefore recommended to **launch a call for public inputs** in this regard. The SSC WG also noted that the direct emission limits of type III project activities, unlike type I and type II project activities, are not in relation to the emission reductions of the project activity and agreed to further work on the issue of limits for all types.



55. However, the SSC WG noted that it may be possible in the case of type III projects to achieve significant emission reductions, while being within the qualifying limits determined by **project activity direct emissions** (15 kilo tons CO₂e) and therefore agreed to develop new categories under type III including procedures for more precise estimations of emission reductions including more detailed monitoring. As an interim solution, the SSC WG recommended including in the applicability conditions of all current Type III categories the following text: *“This category is applicable for project activities resulting in annual emission reductions lower than 25,000 ton CO₂e. If the emission reduction of a project activity exceeds the reference value of 25,000 ton CO₂e in any year of the crediting period, the annual emission reduction for that particular year is capped at 25,000 ton CO₂e.”*

56. The SSC WG considered the issue of defining the eligible capacity limits for project activities involving thermal applications of solar energy and agreed to recommend a conversion factor based on the **aperture area of the solar thermal collectors** to estimate the output capacity in MWth. It also recommended additional guidance on the use of manufacturer’s specifications of solar photovoltaic equipment.

57. While waiting for further input from the Meth Panel before finalizing its recommendation the SSC WG, however, recommended that **IPCC default values** should be used only when country or project specific data are not available or difficult to obtain.

58. The SSC WG revised the forms for request for clarification (**F-CDM-SSC-Subm**) to enhance its user friendliness and recommended the approval of these revised forms.

59. All recommendations by the SSC WG referred to above are contained in the report of the fifth meeting and its annexes.

60. The SSC WG continued to qualitatively consider the submission SSC_038 (“Anthropogenic Ocean Sequestration by Changing the Alkalinity of Ocean Surface Water”), related to carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS) project activities and agreed that fundamental concerns remain on the level of development and maturity of the proposed technology, apart from significant uncertainties on permanence, leakage, and boundary issues. The SSC WG agreed to seek further clarifications from the project participants to enable it to fully consider these issues.

61. **Further schedule:** The SSC WG agreed to schedule its fifth meeting from **13 – 14 June 2006**.

62. **Call for members:** The Board agreed, at its twenty-third meeting, to launch a call for experts in order to replace outgoing members of the SSC WG. It requested the secretariat to compile a list of applications and a short-list, including members currently serving the working group who indicated their interest to continue, for further consideration by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting with a view to designating members for the SSC WG at that meeting. The invitation to experts was posted on the UNFCCC CDM website from 1 March to 12 April 2006. The confidential list of 30 applications and related documentation are available on the access-restricted extranet of the Board. In accordance with past practice, the confidential short-list will be made available in the closed session at the meeting.

63. **Action:** The Board may wish to consider (a) the report of the fifth meeting of the SSC-WG and oral updates by its Chair; (b) recommendations by the SSC-WG for the revised draft methodologies “SSC Category - I. E. Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications” and “SSC Category - II. G. Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass”; (c) recommendations by the SSC-WG on procedures to consider leakage in all SSC renewable biomass projects as a new attachment to appendix B to indicative SSC methodologies; (d) recommendations by the SSC-WG on direct project emissions of three of the categories under type III project activities; (e) recommendations by the SSC-WG on amendments to AMS - I.D to make it consistent with ACM0002; (f) recommendations by the SSC-WG to



amend AMS - III.I. Avoidance of methane production in wastewater treatment through replacement of anaerobic lagoons by aerobic systems; (g) recommendations by the SSC-WG for amendments to AMS - III.H. Methane Recovery in Wastewater Treatment; (h) recommendations by the SSC-WG for a new SSC Category – III. J. Avoidance of fossil fuel combustion for carbon dioxide production to be used as raw material for industrial processes; (i) to confirm that reductions in the use of bunker fuels from international maritime applications will not be considered as part of CDM project activities; (k) recommendations by the SSC-WG to launch a call for public inputs on barriers for type II projects; (l) recommendations by the SSC-WG to launch a call for public inputs on an SSC category for biofuels; (m) recommendations by the SSC-WG for the new applicability conditions for all current Type III categories; (n) recommendations by the SSC-WG on capacity limits for solar thermal collectors and solar photovoltaic equipment; (o) recommendation that IPCC default values should be used only when country or project specific data are not available; (p) recommendations by the SSC-WG for revised the forms for request for clarification (F-CDM-SSC-Subm); (q) the shortlist of applicants to the SSC WG and select members for the new term of the working group; and (p) to provide any other guidance to the SSC-WG, as appropriate.

(e) **Matters relating to the registration of CDM project activities**

64. **Background:** The information available in the section on “Project Activities” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects>>), indicates the status of project activities submitted for registration. As of 26 April 2006 the main information can be summarized as follows:

- (a) Registered CDM project activities: 165 (one hundred and sixty-five);
- (b) Request for registration: 62 (sixty-two);
- (c) Request for review: 8 (eight);
- (d) Under review: 0 (zero);
- (e) Withdrawn: 2 (two).

65. **Work undertaken/in progress on cases:** The **165 registered CDM project activities** as of 26 April 2006 represent an increase of 64 since 24 February 2006. Sixty-six (66) of the 165 registered project activities are of small scale.

66. In addition to the 165 registered activities, a total of 62 (sixty-two) requests for registration had been received until 26 April 2006 and are awaiting for automatic registration unless a review is requested. Of the 237 activities which have requested registration so far, reviews were undertaken for seven (7) cases of which five (5) were registered.

67. In accordance with the “Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 41 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism”, the Board, at its twenty-fourth meeting, shall:

- (a) Consider the requests for review of the proposed project activities:
 - (i) “Quimobásicos HFC Recovery and Decomposition Project” (ref number 0151, date of request for review: 30 March 2006);
 - (ii) “Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources at Satara by M/s Bajaj Auto Ltd. (BAL) using wind Power” (ref number 0221, date of request for review: 16 March 2006);



- (iii) “Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources at Supa, Taluka Parner, Dist. Ahmednagar by M/s Bajaj Auto Ltd. (BAL) using wind Power” (ref number 0224, date of request for review: 5 March 2006);
- (iv) “Trupan Biomass Power Plant in Chile” (ref number 0259, date of request for review: 16 April 2006);
- (v) “Vajra and Chaskaman small hydro projects of Vindhyachal Hydro Power Ltd., Maharashtra, India” (ref number 0273, date of request for review: 13 April 2006);
- (vi) “4.5 MW Biomass (Agricultural Residue) Based Power Generation Unit of M/s Matrix Power Pvt. Ltd. (MPPL)” (ref number 0281, date of request for review: 13 April 2006);
- (vii) “Lazaro Energy Efficiency Project” (ref number 0311, date of request for review: 19 April 2006); and
- (viii) “ElDorado Energy Efficiency Project” (ref number 0317, date of request for review: 21 April 2006).

(b) Decide whether to undertake a review of the proposed project activities or to register them as CDM project activities. If the Board agrees to undertake a review of these project activities it shall also decide on the scope of the review and the composition of the review teams for these cases.

68. Since its twenty-third meeting, six (6) requests for deviations have been submitted by DOEs to the Board (for detailed information: <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/Deviations>>). Three of these requests had recommendations made by the Methodology Panel at its twentieth meeting for consideration by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting, and the remaining three will be considered directly by the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting.

69. **Work undertaken/in progress on registration procedure and related issues:** At its twenty-third meeting the Board considered the request for guidance in relation to appraisals of request for registration in which some minor corrections and/or considerations have been recommended prior to registration. The Board requested the secretariat to prepare a catalogue of such corrections/considerations with an analysis of the issues raised in such appraisals that did not lead to a request for review and to make it available to the Board to facilitate the discussion regarding registration procedures. The first version of this catalogue has been prepared by the secretariat for consideration by the Board at its twenty fourth meeting.

70. In light of the discussion regarding the catalogue mentioned above and the on-going work of the Registration and Issuance Team (RIT), the Board may wish to provide further guidance with regard to the main issues to be considered by the RIT and related actions.

71. The Board, at its twenty-first meeting, considered whether the form F-CDM-REG provided the necessary information required for a validation report and possible options to improve it and agreed to request the DOE/AE coordination forum to propose options to revise the form F-CDM-REG and the structure of supporting documentation, with the aim of providing the Board with the required information in a more efficient way. In this respect, a proposal for a revised F-CDM-REG has been submitted by the DOE/AE coordination forum for consideration by the Board.

72. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of the registered CDM project activities to date; (b) consider the requests for review and take action in accordance with the procedures for review; (c) consider the requests for deviation and take action in accordance with the procedures for requests for deviation; (d) consider the catalogue of issues raised in appraisals and discuss further steps in this area, as appropriate; (e)



consider the revised F-CDM-REG form submitted the DOE/AE coordination forum and provide additional guidance, as appropriate; and (f) provide additional clarifications and guidance, as appropriate.

(f) Matters relating to the issuance of certified emission reductions and the CDM registry

73. **Background:** The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of progress with respect to the issuance of CERs and noted that the secretariat had begun to accept applications for accounts in the CDM registry and requests for forwarding of CERs to such accounts.

74. The “**Status of Requests for Issuance of CERs**”, contained in annex 1 to this annotated agenda, summarizes, for ease of reference, the information available in the section “Issuance of CERs” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance>>), indicating status categories as follows:

(d) “CERs Issued” (indicating the date of issuance, the amount of CERs issued, the verification period, host party, and other parties involved);

(e) “Requests for Issuance” (indicating the amount of CERs requested, the period for requesting a review, the host party, and other parties involved);

(f) “Request for review” (indicating the Board meeting at which the request for review will be considered). For these cases, at least three Board members, or a Party involved, must have requested a review.

2. **Work undertaken/in progress on issuance:** Since 15 February 2006, the secretariat has been instructed to issue 2,313,639 CERs, bringing the total amount of issued CERs to 4,634,963 as of 26 April 2006. The period for requesting a review of 2 requests is still open. A review has been requested for two (2) request for issuance.

75. In accordance with the “Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 65 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism”, the Board at its twenty-third meeting shall:

(a) Consider the request for review of the request for issuance of:

(i) 672,271 CERs for “GHG emission reduction by thermal oxidation of HFC 23 at refrigerant (HCFC-22) manufacturing facility of SRF Ltd” (ref number 0115, date of request for review: 11 April 2006)

(ii) 1,312,676 CERs for “GHG emission reduction by thermal oxidation of HFC 23 at refrigerant (HCFC-22) manufacturing facility of SRF Ltd” (ref number 0115, date of request for review: 19 April 2006)

(b) Decide whether to undertake a review of the request for issuance or to instruct the CDM registry administrator to issue the requested CERs. If the Board agrees to undertake a review of these requests for issuance it shall also decide on the scope of the review and the composition of the review team for each case.

76. In addition to these requests for issuance the secretariat continues to make available monitoring reports as submitted by DOEs. Nineteen (19) monitoring reports have been uploaded without a corresponding request for issuance. Four (4) of these monitoring reports relate to witnessing activities. In undertaking this task the secretariat has become aware of concerns expressed by project participants through their DOEs regarding the start date of the crediting period for projects. In particular one DOE has informed the secretariat that “*requests [were received] from projects participants who wish (a) to bring forward the starting date of the crediting period because project implementation was completed earlier as anticipated*”



or (b) to postpone the starting date of the crediting period because project implementation was completed later than anticipated”. The Board may wish to consider and provide further guidance on whether the starting date of the crediting period of a project can be changed after the registration of the project activity, as appropriate.

77. **Work undertaken/in progress on the CDM registry:** Of the 4,634,963 CERs issued into the pending account the CDM registry administrator has been instructed to forward total of 92,701 CERs to the account for the share of proceeds for the Adaptation Fund, corresponding to 2% of each issuance. To date the secretariat has opened nine (9) temporary holding accounts for entities authorized by 3 Annex I Parties and one (1) permanent holding account for an entity authorized by one non-Annex I Party, and has processed nine (9) forwarding requests.

78. The CDM Registry Administrator issued the first monthly reports, as defined in the Executive Board annual report to COP/MOP1 (FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/4, paragraph 90 (d)), to the Executive Board and relevant DNAs. These reports cover the period up to and including 31 March 2006. The next reports will be issued after 30 April 2006.

79. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of progress on the issuance of CERs and the CDM registry; (b) consider the request for review and take action in accordance with the procedures for review; (c) consider the issue of changes to the crediting period following the registration of a CDM project activity and provide additional guidance; (d) consider the monthly report of the CDM registry administrator to the Executive Board and provide additional guidance, as appropriate; and (e) provide additional clarifications and guidance, as appropriate.

(g) Modalities for collaboration with the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

80. Background: The COP, by its decision 12/CP.10, requested the SBSTA, in collaboration with the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM), to develop a recommendation to the COP/MOP, at its first session, relating to implications of the implementation of project activities under the CDM for the achievement of objectives of other environmental conventions and protocols, in particular, the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (Montreal Protocol). This was, in particular, related to the establishment of new hydrochlorofluorocarbon-22 (HCFC-22) facilities by project participants who seek to obtain certified emissions reductions (CERs) for the destruction of hydrofluorocarbon-23 (HFC-23), taking into account the principles established in Article 3, paragraph 1, and the definitions in Article 1, paragraph 5, of the Convention.

81. The SBSTA, at its twenty-third session, took note of the submissions from Parties contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2005/MISC.10 and of an information paper prepared by the secretariat on “Options relating to implications of the establishment of new hydrochlorofluorocarbon-22 (HCFC-22) facilities seeking to obtain certified emissions reductions for the destruction of hydrofluorocarbon-23 (HFC-23)” (FCCC/SBSTA/2005/INF.8), based on submissions by Parties and input by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism.

82. The COP/MOP, at its first session, adopted a decision on Implications of the establishment of new hydrochlorofluorocarbon-22 (HCFC-22) facilities seeking to obtain certified emission reductions for the destruction of hydrofluorocarbon-23 (HFC-23.). The decision contained:

(a) Definitions new “HCFC-22 facilities” for the purpose of project activities under the clean development mechanism;



(b) Recognized that issuing certified emission reductions for hydrofluorocarbon-23 (HFC-23) destruction at new HCFC-22 facilities could lead to higher global production of HCFC-22 and/or HFC-23 than would otherwise occur and that the clean development mechanism should not lead to such increases;

(c) Further recognized that the destruction of HFC-23 is an important measure to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions;

83. The COP/MOP requested the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to continue deliberating on implications of the new HCFC-22 facilities seeking to obtain certified emission reductions for the destruction of HFC-23, and means to address such implications, with a view to preparing a draft recommendation with guidance to the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism for adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its second session.

84. The Board took note of the oral report made by Mr. José Domingos Miguez on the outcomes of the negotiations at SBSTA 23 and COP/MOP in relation to “Implications of the implementation of project activities under the clean development mechanism, referred to in decision 12/CP.10, for the achievement of objectives of other environmental conventions and protocols”.

85. The Board requested Mr. José Domingos Miguez and Ms. Sushma Gera to follow negotiations at SBSTA 24 related “Implications of the implementation of project activities under the clean development mechanism, referred to in decision 12/CP.10, for the achievement of objectives of other environmental conventions and protocols” and report on the outcome to the Board.

86. The Board further requested Ms. Anastasia Moskalenko and Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sethi to follow the negotiations at SBSTA 24 agenda item relating to registries and report on the outcome to the Board.

87. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of progress on the issues; (b) consider the availability of members to continue reporting on the issues and (c) identify new members to follow the issues, as appropriate

4. Management plan and resources for the work on the CDM

88. **Background:** At its twenty-second meeting, the Board agreed on a number of issues raised at the meeting to be incorporated and requested the Secretariat to draft these amendments. These amendments required a more detailed budget information, included a communication officer and a support staff to work in the CDM section in order to improve the communication on decisions and to strengthen the outreach activities of the Board, and added provision to improve the information flow and the link between the Board and the DNAs through appropriate ways and channels, including regular information on activities by the Board and by establishing a DNA Forum that would meet twice a year.

89. With respect to resources, the Board, at its twenty-third meeting, took note of a report by the secretariat on income and expenditures as of 24 February 2006. Since November 2005, the CDM had received USD 1.58 million (USD 1.13 million from contributions and USD 0.45 millions from fees) of which USD 0.71 millions in 2005 only. As the late availability of resources had hampered the full implementation of activities in 2005, a carry over of USD 5.60 million became available to be carried over into 2006. The Board also expressed its appreciation to Parties which had generously contributed resources for the work on the CDM and invited Parties which have recently pledged resources to convert them into contributions in the very near future.

90. **Work undertaken/in progress:** Following a number of issues raised at the twenty-second meeting of the Board, the secretariat presented an amended draft of the CDM-MAP. The Board discussed a series of issues relating to this new version and it was agreed that, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board, the secretariat would prepare a new draft of the CDM-MAP to be approved electronically. The



revised version should include a new goal for the Board to promote further the calls for experts including through activities at sessions of subsidiary body, communicating with DNAs or inviting DNAs to include a link to the calls on their website. The secretariat is currently revising the draft. Following a further request from the Board, the secretariat is developing an electronic tool to help the Board in keeping track of the resources necessary to implement the CDM-MAP and will report on this at the meeting.

91. As already undertaken at its twenty-third meeting, at this meeting the Board may wish to further discuss the requests by COP/MOP 1, in particular under this agenda item those reflected in the section “Governance” and “Resources for the work of the CDM” of its decision on “Further guidance relating to the clean development mechanism”, and how to reflect them in the management plan.

92. The budget provisions for supporting the operations of the CDM in the biennium 2006-2007, amount to USD 4.56 million (core budget) and USD 18.07 million (supplementary), thus jointly totaling USD 22.63 million. The secretariat will provide the updated status report on budget, income and expenditure to the Board as of 24 February 2006. Since the twenty-third meeting of the Board (February 2006), contributions have been received from Belgium (USD 24,175), Canada (USD 260,000), European Commission on behalf of the European Union (USD 362,400), and Ireland (USD 49,232). As a result of the above contributions, the total income available as of 12 April 2006 amounts to USD 6.91 million. Consequently the gap in supplementary resources for the remainder of 2006 totals to USD 2.14 million and to USD 11.16 million for the remainder of the biennium 2006-2007. The secretariat will report to the Board at its twenty-fourth meeting on the status of contributions received in relation to the major pledges announced at COP/MOP 1 and to potential limitations in operations due to lack of funding. Currently, the outstanding pledges amount to a total of USD 6.22 million. Please, note that the pledge of USD 1,000,000 from Japan has been deducted as the Government of Japan has indicated that in 2006 they will support the CDM solely through in-kind contributions.

93. With a view to accruing resources to cover administrative expenses for operational functions as of 2008 a total of USD 2,86 million received since 1 January 2006 have been put aside (i.e. fees at registration (USD 2.19 million) and methodologies submission (USD 27,741), and share of proceeds (USD 640,342)).

94. **Action:** The Board may wish to: (a) consider revisions of the CDM-MAP as prepared by the secretariat, (b) take note of the report by the secretariat on the status of resources; (c) express its appreciation to Parties which have generously contributed resources for the work on the CDM; (d) alert Parties to the need for endowing the CDM, in a timely fashion, with resources for its activities in the 2006-2007; (e) take further action, as necessary.

5. Other matters

(a) Relations with Designated National Authorities

95. **Background:** The COP/MOP at its first session requested the Board, in relation to regional distribution and capacity-building, to broaden the participation in the CDM, including through meetings with a designated national authorities forum in a regular basis in conjunction with meetings of COP/MOP and its subsidiary bodies. The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, agreed to establish the CDM DNA forum and requested the secretariat to provide support to this forum.

96. The Board invited the secretariat to explore options for funding/collaboration to support a meeting of the DNA forum at least two times a year as well as means to enhance the connectivity of DNAs to the listserv and the extranet. The Board further requested the secretariat to organize at least the meeting of the forum which takes place in conjunction with a meeting of the COP/MOP in such a manner that it will be possible for the Board to interact with the forum in a cost effective manner. The Board also encourage the



secretariat to stimulate and facilitate the discussion of the forum by electronic means with a view to establishing issues they would like to discuss amongst them and in an interaction with the Board.

97. **Work undertaken/in progress:** The secretariat informed the DNAs about the establishment of the DNA Forum and that funds are being raised to hold the first meeting of the forum this year. Furthermore, a dedicated e-mail listserv is set-up to facilitate interaction and exchange of views. DNA's are subscribed to this listserv and were encouraged to make use of it to exchange views, information and ideas and also to interact with the secretariat to forward their views to the CDM Executive Board. The Board may wish to note that an extranet module with restricted access rights to the designated representatives will be developed subject to resources being raised. This module would provide access to information/documentation which may not be otherwise publicly available and/or which is especially shared amongst DNAs including other modules for interaction if so requested.

98. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) consider the steps taken by the secretariat and provide guidance on how to facilitate and stimulate discussion between the DNAs, bearing in mind the resource constraints; and (b) invite interested Parties to make contributions to the UNFCCC fund for supplementary activities for funding the activities of the CDM DNA Forum.

(b) Relations with Designated Operational and Applicant Entities

99. **Background:** The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, met with Chair of the CDM DOE/AE Coordination Forum and took note of the work undertaken by the forum.

100. **Work in progress:** Views on issues to be addressed to the Board by the CDM DOE/AE Coordination Forum of the are being sought from the DOEs and AEs. The Chair of the forum will present these orally to the Board for its consideration at the twenty-fourth meeting.

101. The CDM DOE/AE Coordination Forum agreed to hold its next meeting in conjunction with the meeting period of the Executive Board.

102. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) to take note of the report by the Chair of the forum; and (b) provide feedback to the forum, as appropriate.

(c) Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

103. **Background:** On the occasion of its twenty-third meeting, the Chair and other members of the Board met with registered observers for an informal briefing.

104. Board members and alternates continued receiving communications from the public and invitations to participate in CDM-related events.

105. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) agree to avail itself for informal briefings with registered observers in the afternoon of 12 May 2006; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they participated.

(d) Regional distribution of project activities²

106. **Background:** The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol at its first session (COP/MOP 1) requested Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 31 May 2006, their views on systematic or systemic barriers to the equitable distribution of clean development mechanism project activities and options to address these barriers, for consideration by the COP/MOP at its second session. The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, agreed to launch a public call for inputs on regional

² Statistics relating to registered CDM project activities can be found at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Statistics>



distribution of CDM project activities through the UNFCCC CDM website starting from 1 March 2006 and ending 21 April 2006.

107. **Work undertaken/in progress:** In response to the public call for inputs the secretariat received five submissions and has made these available at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/public_inputs/reg_distri>.

108. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of the submissions received during the public call for inputs and agree on further actions, as appropriate; and (b) consider any other business it deems necessary.

(e) **Other business**

109. **Background:** At its twenty-first meeting the Board agreed on Procedures for public communication with the CDM Executive Board as contained in annex 27 to its report. These procedures shall be followed with respect to all unsolicited submissions.

110. The Board has received the following communications from DOEs/AES and the general public prior to the twenty-fourth meeting of the Board:

(a) Letter from Mr. Peter Roderick, Climate Justice Programme related to CDM and human rights violations 21 February 2006;

(b) Letter from World Coal Institute (WCI) related to the inclusion of carbon dioxide capture and geological storage under the clean development mechanism on 23 February 2006;

(c) Letter from Ms. Christina Figueres related to "Programs in the CDM" on 14 February 2006;

(d) Letter from Carbon Finance Business - The World Bank related to a Meth Panel recommendation on estimation method to calculate methane avoidance on 21 February 2006;

(e) Letter from Carbon Finance Business - The World Bank related to the proposal of the SSC WG for methodologies addressing non renewable biomass on 21 February 2006;

(f) Letter from Climate Change Capital related to a Meth Panel recommendation to estimate methane reductions in waste management on 21 February 2006;

(g) Letter from Transferzentrum Emissionsrechteland & Klimaschutz related to a Meth Panel recommendation for "Estimation method to calculate methane avoidance" on 23 February 2006;

(h) Letter from Mr. Bernhard Schlamadinger related to non-renewable biomass on 22 February 2006;

(i) Letter from Mr. Urs Brodman Factor, Consulting + Management related to Baseline methodology for methane avoidance in waste management on 22 February 2006;

(j) Letter from Carbon Finance Business - The World Bank related to the clarification on AM0026 on 23 February 2006.

111. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) take note of communications submitted by the public and agree on any actions, as appropriate; (b) consider any other business it deems necessary.

5. Conclusion of the meeting

112. The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.
