

	CDM: Response form for Request for clarification of approved methodologies (version 01.1)
<i>Date of Meth Panel meeting:</i>	23 - 27 June 2008
<i>Title and number of Request for clarification:</i>	Application of the methodology to a gas distribution network. AM_CLA_0086
Summary of the query:	
Please use the space below to summarize the request for clarification on the related approved methodologies.	
<p>The project activity is capture of LFG, part of which will be sold to a gas distribution company and the other part flared or used in a landfill gas to energy facility. The LFG will be distributed through a designed dedicated gas distribution network to supply the landfill gas to numerous industries connected to this dedicated network. As part of the project activity the project developer will only claim the credits for the methane destruction.</p> <p>Clarification is sought whether the approved methodology can be used only where the captured LFG is provided to a natural gas distribution network or to a dedicated LFG distribution network as well, as is the case for the described project activity. The clarification is sought because the Board's report states methodology is expanded to "gas distribution network".</p>	
Recommendation by the Meth Panel:	
Please use the space below to provide amendments /changes (in your expert view, if necessary).	
<p>The approved methodology should be amended to clarify that methodology is only applicable in case the LFG is supplied through an existing natural gas distribution network.</p>	
Answer to authors of the request for clarification by the Meth Panel :	
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<p>The Board's report only states the summary of the changes and, as can be seen from the attached revised annex to the same report, the methodology is applicable only to existing natural gas distribution network.</p> <p>It should be noted that in case the LFG is supplied through a natural gas distribution network, the methodology requires implement of procedure to upgrade the quality of the LFG to that of NG and, therefore, assumed that the supplied upgraded LFG will be consumed and not simply flared. Therefore, no specifications for monitoring the consumption of the recovered LFG have been included, just the injection of the LFG to the natural gas network is checked. In case the LFG is supplied to a dedicated LFG network, without any upgrading, it clearly need to be demonstrated through monitoring of consumption that supplied LFG is used for energy purpose and not simply flared.</p>	

In case of the LFG being supplied through a new dedicated distribution network, two other issues need to be addressed, which are as follows:

- (i) Project emissions from leakage of LFG in the distribution network. If the LFG is supplied to an existing natural gas distribution network and no credits are claimed for displacement of natural gas, then ACM0001 may be used, as the leakages of LFG in the natural gas distribution network and the unburned methane at user point are likely to be of the same order as that of the natural gas in the baseline. Thus obviating the need to estimate the emissions from gas pipeline leakage and uncombusted LFG at user end for a new dedicated distribution network; and
- (ii) Procedure to identify the baseline scenario of consumers of LFG supplied through the new distribution network. In case of existing network, the displaced fuel is natural gas, which is being consumed by users of distribution network, which is not the case in case of new distribution network.

Therefore, the present version is applicable only to project activities that supply the LFG to an existing natural gas distribution network. A request for revision can be proposed to make the methodology applicable to situations described in the request for clarification.



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