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## I. ADDENDUM TO THE ANNOTATED AGENDA

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#### (c) Issues relating to CDM afforestation and reforestation project activities

1. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the report on the work of the seventeenth meeting of the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. Phillip Gwage, on the work of the group.

*Background:* The A/R WG held its seventeenth meeting in Bonn, Germany on 7 - 9 November 2007. The A/R WG dealt with general issues and case-specific issues.

#### *Case specific*

2. ► **Action:** Taking into consideration the inputs by experts (desk reviewers) and the public, the Board may wish, based on recommendations of the A/R WG (see A/R WG 17 report), not to approve case ARNM0033 that, if revised taking into account comments, can be resubmitted but will require new expert and public input.

*Background:* Information on methodologies currently under consideration by the Board and the A/R WG are available on the UNFCCC CDM website<sup>1</sup>. The A/R WG agreed to continue its work on case ARNM0032-rev.

#### *Responses to clarifications*

3. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note and agree to the response to request for clarifications provided by the A/R WG, as referred in the A/R WG report (see paragraph 8 of the A/R WG 17 report):

- (a) Clarified the request AR-AM\_CLA\_0001 concerning approved methodology AR-AM0004.

*Background:* Information on the clarification to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/goto/ARclar>>).

#### *Responses to requests for revisions and resultant revision of approved methodologies*

4. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note and agree to the response to request for revision as referred to in the A/R WG report (see paragraph 9 of the A/R WG 17 report):

- (a) Not to accept request AR-AM\_REV\_0001 concerning approved methodology AR-AM0004 requesting a revision to allow grazing activities in the project boundary.

*Background:* Information on the revisions to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/goto/ARrev>>).

#### *Revision of approved methodologies*

5. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the following draft guidance, also to be included in several approved methodologies, on the application of the definition of the project boundary in A/R CDM project activities, in according to decision 5/CMP.1:

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<sup>1</sup> See <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/goto/ARappmet>>



The “project boundary” geographically delineates the afforestation or reforestation project activity under the control of the project participants. The A/R CDM project activity may contain more than one discrete area of land. At the time of validation the following shall be defined:

- Each discrete area of land shall have a unique geographical identification.
- The project participants shall describe legal title to the land, rights of access to the sequestered carbon, current land tenure, and land use for each discrete area of land.
- The project participants shall justify, that during the crediting period, each discrete area of land will be subject to an afforestation or reforestation project activity under the control of the project participants.

*Background:* In considering the above request for clarification the working group felt that as an A/R CDM project activity could contain more than one discrete area of land it was important therefore to recommend further clarity in the application of the definition of the project boundary along with a time threshold by which the boundary shall be definite. The guidance provides clarity on the application of the definition of the project boundary in accordance with decision 5/CMP.1 (paragraphs 1b, 1c, 1d, 1e, 12c, 12d, 18, 19, 22a, 22b, 22c, 25f, 34d, Annex B 2i, Annex B 2j (i) and Annex B 2k (i)).

6. **► Action:** The Board may wish to approve the revision of approved methodology AR-AM0004 as contained in annex 2 of the A/R WG report (see A/R WG 17 report), replacing the current description of the application of the definition of the project boundary in approved methodology. The Board may wish to request the secretariat to revise in the same fashion, the following approved methodologies, which also require the clarification in paragraph 12 above: AR-AM0003, AR-AM0007, AR-AM0008 and AR-AM0010.

*Background:* The A/R WG recommended that the guidance on application of the definition of the project boundary in A/R CDM project activities shall replace the current description of the application of the definition of the project boundary in several approved methodologies, which require this guidance.

7. **► Action:** The Board may wish to approve the revision of approved methodology AR-AM0009 as contained in annex 1 of the A/R WG report (see A/R WG 17 report).

*Background:* The A/R WG agreed to revise the approved methodology AR-AM0009 to broaden the applicability conditions, further clarify application of the definition of the project boundary and to include several other editorial changes.

### **General guidance**

8. **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the methodological tool: “Estimation of GHG emissions related to displacement of grazing activities in A/R CDM project activity” as contained in annex 3 of the A/R WG report (see A/R WG 17 report).

*Background:* The A/R WG agreed to recommend a draft tool for estimation of leakage from displacement of grazing activities. The tool provides for (a) conditions under which the leakage from displacement of grazing animals can be considered as zero, (b) an approach for the estimation of leakage for the displacement of animals to known lands; and (c) an approach for estimation of leakage when the displacement of animals is to lands that are not known to project proponents.

9. **► Action:** The Board may wish to approve the methodological tool: “Estimation of GHG emissions from clearing, burning and decay of existing vegetation due to implementation of a CDM A/R project activity” as contained in annex 4 of the A/R WG report (see A/R WG 17 report).



*Background:* The A/R WG agreed to recommend a draft “Tool to estimate GHG emissions from clearing, burning and decay of existing vegetation due to implementation of a CDM A/R project activity”. The tool provides a two tier approach to estimate GHG emissions caused by site preparation using: (i) a simplified approach based on default data; and, (ii) an advanced approach allowing for time dependent estimation of GHG emissions.

10. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the guidance related to the registration fee for proposed A/R clean development mechanism project activities, as contained in annex 1 of these annotations.

*Background:* At its last meeting, the Board considered a proposal by the secretariat on guidance related to the registration fee for proposed A/R clean development mechanism project activities and agreed to request the secretariat to provide a revised proposal at its next meeting, ensuring that the fee requirements are equitable with those extracted for non-A/R project activities.

**(d) Issues relating to small-scale CDM project activities**

11. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the report of the thirteenth meeting of the Small Scale Working Group (SSC WG) and an oral report by the Vice Chair of the working group, Mr. Richard Muyungi on the work of the group.

*Background:* The SSC WG held its thirteenth meeting in Bonn, Germany on 7 to 9 November 2007. The SSC WG dealt with case-specific issues, process and methodological clarifications and other issues, as specified below.

***Case specific***

12. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the type I methodology ‘AMS I.F Plant oil production and use for transport applications’ as contained in annex 1 of the report of the thirteenth meeting of the SSC WG (see SSC WG 13 report).

*Background:* In response to the submission SSC\_130, the SSC WG recommended a new methodology titled ‘SSC I.F Plant oil production and use for transport applications’. The proposed methodology is for project activities that produce plant oil and use it in vehicles, either directly in converted vehicles or as blends with diesel in vehicles whose engines have not been modified for use of plant oil. Further the SSC WG noted that in accordance with the guidance from the Board, project activities for renewable energy generation including biofuels for transport applications, belong to type I with a limit of 15 MW rated capacity of equipment. The SSC WG agreed to bring to the attention of the Board that a relatively small number of vehicles can be included in a type I transport project activity, which may in some instances result in the proposed project activity not attaining the critical size to be viable. In comparison, a transport sector project activity under type III, for example introducing low emission vehicles to existing fleets applying approved methodology AMS III.C with an eligibility limit of 60 ktCO<sub>2</sub>e annual emission reductions, may not have the same limitation.

13. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve to the methodology ‘AMS III.S Introduction of low-emission vehicles to commercial vehicle fleets’ as contained in annex 2 of the report of the thirteenth meeting of the SSC WG (see SSC WG 13 report).

*Background:* As requested by the Board at its thirty-fifth meeting, the SSC WG agreed to recommend a revised proposal for a new methodology for transport sector applications, instead of recommending a revision of the approved methodology AMS III.C, for activities introducing low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles for commercial passenger and freight transport, operating on a number of identified fixed routes.

***Revisions of approved methodologies:***

14. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the recommendation for revision of the SSC methodology ‘AMS III.H Methane recovery in wastewater treatment’, expanding its applicability to allow for the bottling of recovered methane, as contained in annex 3 of the report of the thirteenth meeting of the SSC WG (see SSC WG 13 report). The revision also clarifies in which cases the emissions from dissolved methane in the treated wastewater should be taken into account and where they can be ignored. Furthermore clarity on the use of IPCC default factors for the degradable organic content of sludge for the ex-post baseline emission calculations has been provided.

*Background:* The approved methodology AMS III.H Methane recovery in wastewater treatment was revised in response to submissions SSC\_132, SSC\_138 and SSC\_133. In addressing the inclusion of bottling of recovered methane as an eligible activity, the revision clarifies that the emission reductions on account of displacement of fossil fuel consumption by the use of bottled biogas can not be claimed unless the end users of the bottled biogas are included in the project boundary and the final end use for thermal energy generation is monitored. As in many developing countries certified lab facilities to test the DOC (the degradable organic content) of the sludge from the wastewater treatment facilities may not be available, conservative default factors from 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories can now be used in such instances.

15. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the recommendation for revision of the SSC methodology AMS III.E, to clarify the applicable MCF (methane correction factor) and k (decay rate of the waste) values to use for biomass stockpiles in the baseline emissions calculation as contained in annex 4 of the report of the thirteenth meeting of the SSC WG (see SSC WG 13 report).

*Background:* The approved methodology AMS III.E was revised in response to a submission SSC\_127 which requested a clarification on applicable MCF (methane correction factor) for biomass stockpiles in the baseline emissions calculations of AMS III.E. Noting the uncertainties associated with the emissions from biomass stockpiles due to factors related to biomass decay process on the one hand and due to the permanence of the stockpile (longevity of storage of biomass in the stockpiles) on the other, the SSC WG recommended that conservative values for MCF and k (decay rate of the waste) from 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories be used for these calculations. In addition the revision provides for procedures to account for the length of storage of biomass in the stockpiles.

***General guidance***

16. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of a compendium of all guidance, regarding the determination of the occurrence of debundling including Appendix C of the simplified modalities and procedures for small-scale CDM project activities, PoA debundling guidance prepared by the secretariat as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

*Background:* At its thirty-fourth meeting the Board requested the secretariat to consolidate all guidance into one document, regarding the determination of the occurrence of debundling including Appendix C of the simplified modalities and procedures for small-scale CDM project activities, PoA debundling guidance, the guidance on mobile boundaries and debundling guidance for type I methodologies (EB 30 paragraph 37) and in doing so to supplement this with a diagrammatic representation of the procedure.

17. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note that the fourteenth meeting of the SSC WG will be held from 11 - 13 February 2008.

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