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PROPOSED AGENDA

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(http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/review.html).

^{*} For more information please visit the page CDM Project activities "under review" and "review requested" of the UNFCCC CDM website

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

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

1. **Action:** 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".

The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> information provided by any member and alternate member, including with respect to any potential conflict of interest, and take action, as appropriate.

Background: The Chair shall request, at the beginning of each meeting of the CDM Executive Board, members and alternates to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the Board.

(2) Adoption of the agenda

2. Action: Members may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the fiftieth meeting.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board agreed on items to be included in the provisional agenda for its fiftieth meeting. In accordance with rule 21 of the rules of procedure of the Board, subsequent additions or changes to the provisional agenda by members and/or alternate members were to be incorporated in the proposed agenda. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the Board on 22 September 2009 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC CDM website.

(3) Work plan

(a) Accreditation of operational entities

3. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> of the thirty-fourth progress report on the work of the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP) and an oral report by its Vice-Chair, Mr. Samuel Adeoye Adejuwon, on the work of the CDM-AP.

Background: The CDM-AP held its forty-fourth meeting on 21 - 23 September 2009.

Case specific

4. ► *Action*: The Board may wish to <u>accredit and to provisionally designate entities</u> for sector specific validation and/or verification/certification functions.

Background: In accordance with the accreditation procedure, the recommendations for phased accreditation and the supporting documentation are confidential and have been sent under separate cover on 29 September 2009.

5. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> an update on the appeal submitted by a designated operational entity against the recommendation of the CDM-AP.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board considered an appeal submitted by a designated operational entity (DOE) against the recommendation of the CDM-AP. The Board, in accordance with the

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CDM accreditation procedure, decided to establish an appeal panel and requested it to prepare a report for the consideration of the Board at its fiftieth meeting.

6. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> information on the volume of planned assessments, on the level of assessment resources and on the training interventions planned for the assessors.

Background: The Board, at its last meeting, requested the CDM-AP to provide more information for consideration at its fiftieth meeting on the volume of planned assessments, on the level of assessment resources and on the training interventions planned for the assessors.

General guidance

7. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> an introductory presentation on the concept of materiality and level of assurance and the examples of the impact of applying these concepts in CDM project activities.

Background: Due to lack of time, the Board at its forty-ninth meeting, could not consider the introductory presentation on the concept of materiality and requested the secretariat to do some further work on the concepts of materiality/level of assurance and also prepare some examples of the impact of applying these concepts in CDM project activities for consideration of the Board at its fiftieth meeting.

8. Action: The Board may wish to <u>revise</u> the accreditation procedures to ensure that projects under validation and verification are not prejudiced by a suspension of the DOE, based on an input from the secretariat and CDM-AP, as contained in annex 3 to the AP report.

Background: The Board, at its forty-seventh meeting, requested the secretariat to include in the agenda of future meetings the issues contained in this workplan for which work has not yet been initiated and to prepare the required inputs as reflected in it. The CMP, at its forth meeting, requested the Board to consider possible arrangements for ensuring that projects under validation and verification by a suspended designated operational entity are not prejudiced by the suspension. The Board requested the secretariat and the CDM-AP to consider in its work requests from the CMP and to elaborate such possible arrangements.

9. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> a proposal by CDM-AP on options to enhance the impartiality and independence of DOEs and report to CMP, as contained in the annex 2 to the CDM-AP report.

Background: The Board, at its forty-seventh meeting, requested the secretariat to include in the agenda of future meetings the issues contained in this workplan for which work has not yet been initiated and to prepare the required inputs as reflected in it. The CMP, at its fourth meeting, requested the Board to analyse the means to enhance the impartiality and independence of DOEs (paragraph 27, decision 2/CMP.4). The Board requested the CDM-AP to submit its proposals for the consideration of the Board.

10. Action: The Board may wish to consider a proposal by CDM-AP to facilitate the accreditation of more applicant entities from developing countries by, inter alia, reducing the costs for the necessary accreditation procedures incurred by applicant entities from developing countries, in order to address the shortage of validation and verification services and enhance the equitable regional distribution of CDM project activities. The document is contained as the annex 1 to the CDM-AP report.

Background: The Board, at its forty-seventh meeting, requested the secretariat to include in the agenda of future meetings the issues contained in this workplan for which work has not yet been initiated and to prepare the required inputs as reflected in it. CMP, at its fourth meeting, requested the Board to facilitate the accreditation of more applicant entities (AEs) from developing countries by, inter alia, reducing costs for the necessary accreditation procedures incurred by AEs from developing countries, in order to address the shortage of validation and verification services and enhance the equitable regional distribution of CDM project activities (decision 2/CMP.4).





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11. *Note*: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the forty-fifth meeting of the CDM-AP will be held from 28 - 30 October 2009, as per annex 70 of the forty-eighth meeting of the Board.

(b) Methodologies for baselines and monitoring plans

12. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> of the report of the fortieth meeting of the Methodologies Panel on baseline and monitoring methodologies (the panel), and an oral report by the Chair of the panel, Mr. Philip Gwage, on the work of the panel.

Background: The panel held its fortieth meeting from 14 - 18 September 2009 in Bonn, Germany and undertook its work in two parallel groups. The panel dealt with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

Case specific

- 13. **Action**: Taking into consideration the inputs by experts (desk reviewers), the public, and the recommendations of the panel, the Board may wish to:
 - (a) Approve methodologies based on the cases NM0258 and NM0266(see MP40 report);
 - (b) Not to approve cases NM0269, NM0272, NM0300, NM0307, NM0308, NM0315, NM0316 and NM0318 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 panel are available on the UNFCCC CDM website (http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/).

As per paragraph 45 of decision 2/CMP.4, the CMP requested the Board to ensure that issues and constraints for the application of methodologies relating to demand-side energy efficiency measures, energy efficiency improvements in supply-side domestic appliances and mass transport are addressed with due priority in view of their importance. The methodologies recommended for approval of the Board, NM0258 and NM0266, are consolidated in one methodology, which is applicable to the project activities that establish and operate a rail-based Mass Rapid Transit System or segregated bus lanes in urban or suburban regions, including Bus Rapid Transit systems (BRTs).

The panel could not conclude its consideration of the cases NM0280, NM0282, NM0288, NM0293, NM0301, NM0304 and NM0310. It will further consider these cases at its next meetings.

Responses to requests for clarification

14. **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the responses to the requests for clarification AM_CLA_00084, AM_CLA_00156 and AM_CLA_00157, AM_CLA_00158 and AM_CLA_00159, AM_CLA_00160, AM_CLA_00161 and AM_CLA_00162, CLA_TOOL_007 and CLA_TOOL_008 as provided by the panel and referred to in the panel report (see table of MP40 report).

Background: Information on the clarifications to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website (http://cdm.unfccc.int/goto/MPclar).

Responses to requests for revision

15. Action: The Board may wish to <u>agree</u> to the following responses to the requests for revision, as referred to in the panel report (see table of MP40 report):





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- (a) <u>To accept request AM_REV_0071</u> concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0047 to extend its applicability to production of biodiesel based on waste oils and/or waste fats from biogenic origin and/or oil from oilseeds for use as fuel. This revision was made taking into account the request by the Board at its thirty-sixth meeting (see paragraph 17, EB 36 report)
- (b) Not to accept request AM_REV_0125 concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0014 to include new energy users and multiple fuel usage for project activities applicable to this methodology.
- (c) Not to accept request AM_REV_0126 concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0014 to include newly developing facilities as project consumers.
- (d) Not to accept request AM_REV_0154 concerning revision of the approved methodology ACM0006 to extend its applicability to greenfield power projects.
- (e) <u>To accept request AM_REV_0155</u> concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0072 to include the expansion of geothermal facilities into areas which are otherwise served by fossil fuel heating systems.
- (f) Not to accept request AM_REV_0156 concerning revision of the approved methodology ACM0010 to incorporate a baseline scenario for a cattle colony that is a counterfactual anaerobic treatment system that generates methane without destruction by flaring or energy production.
- (g) Not to accept request AM_REV_0158 concerning revision of the approved methodology ACM0028 to include the relocated chemical complex regardless of the CDM project activity.
- (h) <u>To accept request AM_REV_0160</u> concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0031 to expand the applicability to situations in which electricity is used in the transport systems, in the baseline scenario and/or in the project scenario.
- (i) <u>To accept request AM_REV_0161</u> concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0023 to provide two new techniques to measure the flow of gas leaks in natural gas transmission and distribution systems.
- (j) Not to accept request AM_REV_0162 concerning revision of the approved methodology ACM0003 to extend its applicability to new plants.
- (k) <u>Not to accept request AM_REV_0163</u> concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0034 to allow circumstances in methodology where first abatement catalyst is installed after the installation of a new gauze pack.
- (l) Not to accept request AM_REV_0164 concerning revision of the approved methodology AM0034 to propose to exclude project campaigns from the moving average that are clearly and evidently not representative of the long term trend in campaign emission factor as envisaged in the methodology.

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

The panel could not finalize its responses to the requests for revision AM_REV_00XX, AM_REV_0141, AM_REV_0145, AM_REV_0147, AM_REV_0149, AM_REV_0157 and AM_REV_0159 and will further consider these requests at its next meetings.





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Revisions to approved methodologies

- 16. ► Action: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> revisions to the following approved methodologies:
 - (a) **AM0023:** The draft revision expands the permitted techniques to measure the flow of gas leaks in natural gas transmission and distribution systems, to the following two techniques: (i) the calibrated bags technique; (ii) the ultrasonic flow meters technique. These techniques are in addition to the ones already included in the methodology. The draft revision is contained in annex 2 of the panel report (see paragraph 25 of MP40 report).
 - (b) **AM0031:** The draft revision expands the applicability of the methodology to situations in which electricity is used in the transport systems, in the baseline scenario and/or in the project scenario; and removed the restriction from the applicability condition related to the use of biofuels that limits its blend with fossil fuels to 3%. The draft revision is contained in annex 3 of the panel report (see paragraph 26 of MP40 report).
 - (c) **AM0034:** The draft editorial revision mainly includes minor changes in the requirement on: (i) the operating hours of the baseline campaign; (ii) the average campaign length. The draft revision is contained in annex 4 of the panel report (see paragraph 27 of MP40 report).
 - AM0047: The draft revision incorporates methodology cases NM0228, NM0233 and request for revision AM REV 0071, taking into account the request by the Board at its thirty-sixth meeting (see paragraph 17, EB 36 report). The applicability of the methodology is broadened to the production of biodiesel from oil that is produced with oil seeds from plants cultivated in dedicated plantations on degraded or degrading lands. The draft revised methodology allows for cases where dedicated plantations are in a land area included in the project boundary of one or several registered CDM A/R project activities. The draft methodology provides procedures to determine project emissions resulting from the cultivation of oil seeds. The draft revision is contained in annex 5 of the panel report. A note on the draft revised methodology explaining the approach taken in the recommendation for revision of AM0047 is contained in annex 6 of the panel report. As an option, default emission factors are provided for the project emissions associated with the cultivation to produce Jatropha nuts and fresh Palm fruit bunches. An excel sheet providing the calculations of these default factors is contained in annex 7 (see paragraph 28 and 33 of MP40 report). Also see paragraph 18 of these annotations for the draft guidelines on apportioning emissions to co-product(s) and by-product (s), which is closely linked with the revised methodology AM0047, which are attached as annex 8 of the panel report (see paragraph 33 of MP40 report).
 - (e) **AM0070:** The draft editorial revision includes: (i) clarity on criteria for assessing additionality; (ii) clarity on procedures to calculate parameter ATD market; (iii) clarity on meaning of "End User" and "Buyer"; (iv) monitoring tables for two parameters which were missing in earlier version. The draft revision is contained in annex 9 of the panel report (see paragraph 29 of MP40 report).
 - (f) **AM0072:** The draft revision broadens the applicability of the methodology to project activities that expand the operation of an existing geothermal heating system through the addition of extra geothermal wells. The draft revision is contained in annex 10 of the panel report (see paragraph 30 of MP40 report).
 - (g) **ACM0003:** The draft editorial revision rectifies the error in the applicability condition by inserting the word "less" before carbon intensive fuel(s); and corrects parameters in equations 13, 14 and 15. The draft revision is contained in annex 11 of the panel report (see paragraph 31 of MP40 report).





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(h) **ACM0005:** The draft revision includes: (i) guidance on how to apply the investment analysis when such analysis is used to demonstrate additionality; (ii) including *first-of-its-kind* barrier and guidance on how to demonstrate such barrier; (iii) deletion of technological barriers since the project activities applicable under ACM0005 are not likely to face such barriers; (iv) an option to keep investment barrier and market acceptability barrier specifying the type of documentation deemed appropriate to support the claim for these barriers. The draft revision is contained in annex 12 of the panel report (see paragraph 32 and 34 of MP40 report).

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

The revision to AM0023 was made in response to the request for revision AM_REV_0161. The revision to AM0031 was made in response to request for revision AM_REV_0160. The editorial revision to AM0034 was made based on the inputs provided by the secretariat. The revision to AM0047 was made incorporating methodology cases NM0228, NM0233 and in response to the request for revision AM_REV_0071 taking into account the request by the Board at its thirty-sixth meeting. The revision to AM0070 was made in response to requests for clarification AM_CLA_0157 and AM_CLA_0162. The revision to AM0072 was made in response to the request for revision AM_REV_0155. The revision to ACM0003 was made in response to the request for revision AM_REV_0155. The revision to ACM0005 was made in response to the request from the Board (See EB 46, paragraph 31).

General guidance

17. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the reviewed report on the implications of the possible inclusion of carbon capture and storage (CCS) in geological formations as CDM project activities as contained as annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: The Board considered the document concerning the implications of the possible inclusion of carbon capture and storage (CCS) in geological formations as CDM project activities, prepared by external consultants selected by the Board, according to EB47, paragraph 36. The Board agreed that further substantial work on the report is required before it can be considered by the Board again. Although the report provided a broad review of carbon capture and storage in geological formation as mitigation option based on guidelines and reports of international institutions, it has not addressed the core element of the terms of reference, about a detailed assessment of the implications of possible inclusion of carbon capture and storage in geological formation as CDM project activities. Therefore, the Board requested the secretariat to provide feedback to the consultants based upon the issues discussed by the Board and requested the consultants to review the report for the consideration of the Board at its fiftieth meeting.

18. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft guidelines on apportioning emissions to coproduct(s) and by-product (s) prepared by the Meth Panel. The panel is of the view that this guidance would be very useful for project proponents if apportioning of emissions is needed as an example of its application is provided in the draft revised methodology AM0047. The draft revision is contained in annex 8 of the panel report (see paragraph 33 MP40 report).

Background: The Board at its forty-fourth meeting (see paragraph 27, EB 44 report) considered these guidelines and requested the panel to assess whether these guidelines should be an internal working document of the panel or submitted for approval to the Board.

19. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft revised methodology ACM0005 (see paragraph 17 (h) of these annotations). The draft revision is contained in annex 12 of the panel report (see paragraph 32 and 34 of MP40 report).





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Background: The Board at its forty-sixth meeting, agreed to put on hold the approved consolidated methodology ACM0005 due to difficulties encountered in demonstrating barriers to the implementation of project activities applying this methodology. The Board requested the Meth Panel to prepare a revised version of ACM0005 addressing the issue of barrier analysis for consideration of the Board at its fiftieth meeting.

20. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft guidelines for objective demonstration and assessment of barriers, which will be annexed to the "Tool for demonstration and assessment of additionality" and "Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality", if approved by the Board. These guidelines are contained in annex 13 of the panel report (see paragraph 37 of MP40 report).

Background: As per paragraph 36 of decision 2/CMP.4, the CMP request the Board to further enhance the objectivity of approaches used to assist in the demonstration and assessment of additionality while ensuring environmental integrity, including, where appropriate, develop quantitative approaches to the demonstration of barriers. The panel analyzed the current issues experienced with various project activities submitted for registration, with regards to the demonstration of barriers.

21. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> a revision to the "Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system" in order to incorporate methodological approaches to estimate emission reductions for project activities that affects the operation of off-grid generation capacity. The draft revision is contained in annex 14 of the panel report (see paragraph 40 of MP40 report).

Background: As per paragraph 47 of decision 2/ CMP.4 the CMP has requested the Board to develop options to assist in the calculation of emission factors for off-grid electricity generation.

22. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the new tool "Tool to determine the remaining lifetime of equipment", developed by Meth Panel. The tool provides guidance to determine the remaining lifetime of baseline or project equipment. The tool may, for example, be used for project activities which involve the replacement of existing equipment with new equipment or which retrofit existing equipment as part of energy efficiency improvement activities. The draft tool is contained in annex 15 of the panel report (see paragraph 41 of MP40 report).

Background: This tool is developed in response to the request of the Board at its fortieth meeting to develop tools and guidance on the main energy efficiency methodological issues, as contained in the annex 13 of EB 41

23. Action: The Board may wish to consider a synthesis summary of the analysis on the performance of the process of considering methodologies related submission including a work programme of specific actions to be taken based on this analysis. The Board may wish to note that the secretariat will submit the draft revised draft procedures for the consideration of future EB meeting (including procedure for consideration of new methodologies, request for revision and request for clarification), based upon the specific improvement proposals presented by the secretariat and accepted by the Board. This documents are enclosed as annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board considered a detailed analysis prepared by the secretariat including: the performance of the process of considering methodologies related submissions such as new methodologies, requests for revision and request for clarification; reasons for delay in consideration; synthesis of public inputs on the call to invite comments on reasons for no / low use of methodologies in project activities; specific improvements required to be achieved in methodologies and the process of consideration of methodologies; and several proposals to bring the improvements. The Board agreed to request the secretariat to (a) prepare a synthesis summary of this analysis including a work programme of specific actions to be taken based on this analysis; (b) revise the procedures for consideration of new methodologies, request for





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revision and request for clarification, based upon their specific improvement proposals presented in the analysis.

- 24. Note: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the panel considered the paragraph 36 (a) of decision.2/CMP.4 on Standardization of parameters in financial analysis of Additionality Tool, and agreed to analyze the issue further or hire the services of a financial expert to provide guidance on some of the methods for establishing the financial benchmarks for the demonstration of additionality of projects. The panel will continue the consideration of this issue at its next meeting.
- 25. **Note**: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the panel could not finalize its consideration of "draft tool on energy benchmarking of domestic appliances" due to time constraints. The tool was requested by the Board at its fortieth meeting as per annex 13 of EB 41.
- 26. Note: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the panel will continue its work on enhancing the objectivity of approaches to assist in the demonstration and assessment of additionality.
- 27. Note: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the panel will continue to work on the overall revision of ACM0006 with a view to considering the first draft methodology for heat and power plants at its next meeting.
- 28. Note: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the panel considered the issues raised by the Board with regard to the revision of the Combined Tool (EB 48, paragraph 35). The panel will continue the consideration of the case at its next meeting.
- 29. Note: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that a one-day Meth Panel Workshop was organized on 19 September 2009, to facilitate informal discussions among the panel members and the Board members serving the panel, on the proposals related to: (i) improvement in methodologies; (ii) improvement in the process of consideration of methodological submissions; (iii) improvement in the functioning of the panel.
- 30. ► *Note*: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the forty-first meeting of the panel will be held from 19 23 October 2009, as per annex 70 of the forty-eighth meeting of the Board.

(c) <u>Issues relating to CDM afforestation and reforestation project activities</u>

31. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the report on the work of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. José Domingos Miguez, on the work of the group.

Background: The A/R WG held its the twenty-fifth meeting on 21 - 23 September 2009 in Bonn, Germany. The A/R WG dealt with case-specific issues and general issues.

32. Action: The Board may wish to take note that the A/R WG could not conclude its consideration of the cases ARNM0036 and ARNM0037.

Background: The A/R WG could not conclude its consideration of the case ARNM0036 due to the need for application of the guidance on: (i) Estimation of leakage from displacement of cropland, and (ii) Estimation of leakage from displacement of grazing activities, in this case, for which the group has not completed their consideration yet. The A/R WG expects to conclude its consideration of the case at its next meeting.

The A/R WG requested the Board to take note that the A/R WG could not conclude its consideration of the case ARNM0037 due to the need for significant simplification of the approach for: (i) Accumulation of the soil organic carbon in baseline scenario, (ii) Estimation of leakage from displacement of cropland, and (iii)





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Estimation of leakage from displacement of grazing activities, for which the group has not completed their consideration yet. The A/R WG expects to conclude its consideration of the case at its next meeting..

Clarifications and revisions of approved methodologies

33. Action: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the A/R WG could not conclude its consideration of a request for clarifications related to the consistency in the application of the procedures to demonstrate the eligibility of lands for A/R CDM project activities and the baseline assessment for A/R project activities. The Board may further wish to <u>take note</u> that the A/R WG expects to conclude its consideration of the cases at its twenty-sixth meeting.

Background: The A/R WG considered a request for clarifications related to the consistency in the application of the procedures to demonstrate the eligibility of lands for A/R CDM project activities and the baseline assessment for A/R project activities. The A/R WG agreed to notify the Board that it was not able to conclude its deliberations during the meeting. The A/R WG requested a small group of members to consider this request and to provide the A/R WG group with a proposal for response to the request to be considered at its twenty-sixth meeting.

- 34. **Action:** The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the following revisions to the approved methodologies:
 - (a) **AR-AM0002** "Restoration of degraded lands through afforestation/reforestation". The draft revised approved methodology is contained in annex 1 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG;
 - (b) **AR-AM0004** "Reforestation or afforestation of land currently under agricultural use". The draft revised approved methodology is contained in annex 2 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG;
 - (c) AR-AM0005 "Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented for industrial and/or commercial uses". In addition to the application of the guidance referred to in paragraph 37 of the EB 44 report, the revision applied the simplified design proposed in the approved methodology AR-ACM0001. The draft revised approved methodology is contained in annex 3 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG;
 - (d) **AR-AM0006** "Afforestation/Reforestation with trees supported by shrubs on degraded land". The draft revised approved methodology is contained in annex 4 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG;
 - (e) **AR-AM0010** "Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented on unmanaged grassland in reserve/protected areas". The draft revised approved methodology is contained in annex 5 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The Board during its forty-fourth meeting requested the secretariat to prepare draft revisions, for consideration by the A/R WG, to those approved A/R CDM baseline and monitoring methodologies affected by the Board's guidance referred to in paragraph 37 of the EB 44 report, and also, in doing so, to make the methodologies consistent with each other, especially if approaches applied to similar issues differ. Following the request, the A/R WG considered the draft revisions prepared by the secretariat and agreed to the following improvements in the revised methodologies:

- (a) Removal of references to GHG emission sources that are insignificant in A/R CDM project activities and may therefore be neglected in A/R baseline and monitoring methodologies;
- (b) Simplification of the approach for stratification;



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- (c) Application of the latest version of "Guidance on the application of the definition of project boundary to A/R CDM project activities";
- (d) Change of the confidence level in the Reliable Minimum Estimate approach, and/or simplification of the approach for consideration of uncertainties and changing the confidence level;
- (e) Editorial changes to give further clarity.

The A/R WG agreed to recommend to the Board to approve the following revisions to the methodologies:

- (a) A revision to the approved methodology **AR-AM0002** "Restoration of degraded lands through afforestation/reforestation";
- (b) A revision to the approved methodology **AR-AM0004** "Reforestation or afforestation of land currently under agricultural use";
- (c) A revision to the approved methodology **AR-AM0005** "Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented for industrial and/or commercial uses". In addition to the application of the guidance referred to in paragraph 37 of the EB 44 report, the revision applied the simplified design proposed in the approved methodology AR-ACM0001;
- (d) A revision to the approved methodology **AR-AM0006** "Afforestation/Reforestation with trees supported by shrubs on degraded land";
- (e) A revision to the approved methodology **AR-AM0010** "Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented on unmanaged grassland in reserve/protected areas".

General guidance

35. Action: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> a draft guidance on conditions under which GHG emissions from removal of existing vegetation due to site preparation are insignificant, as contained in annex 6 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The A/R WG agreed to recommend a draft guidance on conditions under which GHG emissions from removal of existing vegetation due to site preparation are insignificant. The guidance allows to determine whether the increase in GHG emissions due to clearing, burning, and/or leaving to decay live woody vegetation existing within the proposed A/R project boundary prior to the project commencement is insignificant and can be accounted as zero. The draft guidance is contained in annex 6 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

36. ► *Action:* The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> a revision to the approved A/R 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 7 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The A/R WG agreed to recommend that the Board approve a revision to the approved A/R methodological tool: "Estimation of GHG emissions from clearing, burning and decay of existing vegetation due to implementation of a CDM A/R project activity" to further simplify the applied approach, including broadening the use of the conservative default factors. The draft revised tool is contained in annex 7 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

37. **Action:** The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> a revision to guidelines on conservative choice of default data for estimation of biomass stocks and change in woody vegetation, including a change of its title from





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"Guidelines on conservative choice of data when estimating biomass stocks and change in woody vegetation" to "Guidelines on conservative choice and application of default data in estimation of the net anthropogenic GHG removals by sinks". The revised guidelines are contained in annex 8 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The A/R WG agreed to recommend a draft revision to guidelines on conservative choice of default data for estimation of biomass stocks and change in woody vegetation. The revision improved the approach and broadened the applicability of the guidelines in order to provide information on satisfying requirements for the conservative choice and application of default data in establishing the net anthropogenic GHG removals by sinks. Consequently the title of the guidelines was changed from "Guidelines on conservative choice of data when estimating biomass stocks and change in woody vegetation" to "Guidelines on conservative choice and application of default data in estimation of the net anthropogenic GHG removals by sinks" to reflect the scope of the applied changes. The draft revised guidelines are contained in annex 8 to the report of the twenty-fifth meeting of the A/R WG.

38. Action: The Board may wish to consider (a) the recommendation of the A/R WG on the assessment of the implications of the possible inclusion of lands with forests in exhaustion as A/R CDM project activities, which is based on the draft of the experts' report, as contained in the AR WG report and (b) possible comments by Board members on the proposed recommendation, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

Background: The Board during its forty-ninth meeting requested the A/R WG to consider, at the highest priority, the draft of the experts' report on the assessment of the implications of the possible inclusion of lands with forests in exhaustion as A/R CDM project activities and provide the Board with its input on options for definition of forest in exhaustion. The Board also requested a small group of members to consider this input and to provide the Board with a recommendation to be considered at its fiftieth meeting

39. Action: The Board may wish to take note that the A/R WG stressed that the recommended option for definition of forest in exhaustion may require revision of annex to decision 16/CMP.1 Land use, land-use change and forestry section D, Article 12, in order to introduce the draft new paragraph 13 (bis) as follows:

For the first commitment period, reforestation activities will be limited to reforestation occurring on those lands that did not contain forest or contained forest in exhaustion on 31 December 1989.

Background: The A/R WG noted that the above recommended option may require revision of annex to decision 16/CMP.1 Land use, land-use change and forestry section D, Article 12, in order to introduce the draft new paragraph 13 (bis) as follows:

For the first commitment period, reforestation activities will be limited to reforestation occurring on those lands that did not contain forest or contained forest in exhaustion on 31 December 1989.

- 40. ► *Note*: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the twenty-sixth meeting of the A/R WG will be held from 28–30 October 2009 as per annex 70 of the forty-eighth meeting of the Board.
- 41. Note: The Board may wish to <u>remind</u> project participants that the deadline for the twenty-fourth round of submissions of proposed new A/R methodologies is 26 October 2009. The Board also reminded project participants that new baseline and monitoring methodologies could be submitted at any time prior to this deadline.



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(d) <u>Issues relating to small-scale CDM project activities</u>

42. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the Small Scale Working Group (SSC WG) and an oral report by the Chair of the working group, Mr. Hugh Sealy or its Vice-Chair, Mr. Peer Stiansen on the work of the group.

Background: The SSC WG held its twenty-second meeting on 21 - 24 September 2009 in Bonn, Germany. The SSC WG dealt with case-specific issues, process and methodological clarifications and other issues, as specified below.

Case specific

43. **Action:** The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the methodology AMS-III-AF 'Avoidance of methane emissions through excavating and composting of partially decayed municipal solid wastes (MSW)', as contained in annex 1 of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The methodology is for methane avoidance from closed landfills through sequential measures including pre-aeration, excavation, separation and composting. Pre-aeration is only aimed to create a safe operation environment for subsequent excavation and separation of inert and non inert materials. Excavating and composting of the non-inert material are the key measures to realize methane avoidance in this recommended methodology.

44. **Action:** The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the methodology AMS-III.AG 'Switching from high carbon intensive grid electricity to low carbon intensive fossil fuels', as contained in annex 2 of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The methodology is applicable for switching from grid electricity to a single low carbon intensive energy source in existing industrial, residential, commercial, and institutional or energy producing applications (e.g., switch from fuel oil based captive electricity generation complemented by a grid electricity import to a natural gas based electricity generation).

45. Action: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the methodology AMS-III.AH 'Shift from high carbon intensive fuel mix ratio to low carbon intensive fuel mix ratio', as contained in annex 3 of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The methodology is for project activities that results in increased share of low GHG intensive fossil fuel in an elemental process of an industrial, residential, commercial, and institutional or electricity generation application that uses a mix of fossil fuel.

Revisions of approved methodologies:

46. ► Action: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the revision of 'AMS-III.Y' as contained in annex 4 of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: In response to submission SSC-NM031, the SSC WG agreed to recommend a revision to AMS-III.Y. The proposed revisions broaden the applicability of AMS-III.Y to allow the usage of flocculent in the pre-separation phase to improve the efficiency of the subsequent mechanical solid-liquid separation. The relevant procedures to take into account the project and leakage emissions from the use of flocculent are included accordingly.

47. ► Action: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the revision of 'AMS-I.D' as contained in annex 5 of the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.





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Background: In response to SSC_323, requesting a clarification on the consideration of project emissions relative to power density of small scale hydropower projects, the SSC WG agreed to recommend a revision of AMS-I.D as contained in annex 5 to include the procedures to calculate project emissions as specified in Annex 5 of EB 23.

General guidance

48. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>approve</u> the general guidelines for sampling and surveys for SSC project activities as contained in annex 6 the report of the twenty-second meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: As requested by the Board at its forty-seventh meeting (see paragraph 64, EB 47), the SSC WG, taking into account the public inputs² and expert inputs, agreed to recommend a general guidelines for sampling and surveys for SSC project activities as contained in annex 6. While the focus of the guidelines is on end-use energy efficiency applications, its application is not limited to just these applications. The guidelines elaborate the sampling documentation requirements and the sampling plan evaluation criteria. Sampling precision and confidence requirements for SSC project activities are also specified. Guidance on sampling application and sampling practices are also included.

- 49. ► *Note*: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> that the cases SSC-NM030, SSC-NM033 and SSC-NM034 were deemed not suitable for recommendation to the Board³ by the SSC WG (see SSC WG 22 report).
- 50. Note: The Board may wish to take note that the twenty-third meeting of the SSC WG will be held from 27 to 30 October 2009, as per annex 70 of the forty-eighth meeting of the Board.

(e) Matters relating to programme of activities (PoA)

51. **Action**: The Board may wish to take stock on the progress of registration of programme of activities.

Background: The information available in the section on "Project Activities" on the UNFCCC CDM website (http://cdm.unfccc.int/ProgrammeOfActivities/index.html), indicates the status of project activities submitted for registration.

(f) Matters relating to the registration of CDM project activities

52. ► *Action*: The Board may wish to <u>take stock</u> on the progress of registration.

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.

Case specific

53. **Action**: The Board shall consider the requests for review of the 38 requests for registration listed in table 1 below.

² Six inputs were received in response to a call for public input by the Board that invited suggestions to enhance the practical application and user friendliness of the draft document starting from 1 June 2009 ending by 1 July 2009.

³ In accordance with paragraph 13 of the procedures for the submission and consideration of a proposed new small scale methodology.





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Table 1: Projects for which a review has been requested by three or more Board members or one Party involved.

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|-----------|--|---|---|---|
| Ref No. | Title | A | B | C |
| 1715 | Hebei Chengde Fengze Wind Farm Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 1792 | Hebei Shangyi Manjing North Wind Farm Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 1924 | Liaoning Faku Heping Wind Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2118 | Hunan Taoyuan Huirenxi Hydropower Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2123 | Liaoning Faku Baijiagou Wind Power Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2227 | Inner Mongolia Xinghe Hangtian Wind Farm Project | 7 | ? | ? |
| 2375 | CERTEL – Cooperativa Regional de Eletrificação Teutônia Ltda - Small | ? | ? | ? |
| 2313 | Hydropower Plants | • | • | 1 |
| 2428 | Dafosi Coal Mine Low Concentration Coal Mine Methane Power | ? | ? | ? |
| | Generation Project | | | |
| 2446 | Controlled combustion of municipal solid waste and sewage sludge and | ? | ? | ? |
| | energy generation in Shaoxing City, People's Republic of China | | | |
| 2462 | Hebei Fengning Luotuogou 1st Phase Wind Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2501 | Guizhou Kaiyang Nanjiang Hydropower Station Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2532 | Jiangsu Dongling Wind Farm Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2548 | Gramacho Landfill Gas Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2556 | Bangna Starch Wastewater Treatment and Biogas Utilization Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2561 | Heilongjiang Wangkui 50MW Level Biomass Cogeneration Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2565 | Sichuan Tiejue 25MW Hydro Power Project | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| 2566 | Inner Mongolia Ximeng Zheligentu Wind Farm Phase I Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2567 | Inner Mongolia Jingneng Saihan Wind Farm Phase I Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2573 | Heilongjiang Fujin 48MW Wind Power Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2590 | Sichuan Xiaolongmen Hydropower Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2597 | Guohua Wulate Zhongqi Phase I 49.5 MW Wind farm Project | ? | ? | 7 |
| 2601 | Fujian Pingnan Liyudang Hydropower Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2608 | Yunnan Shangri-La Shiwang River Hydropower Station | ? | ? | ? |
| 2610 | Project JBS S/A – Slaughterhouse Wastewater Aerobic Treatment – | ? | ? | ? |
| 2010 | Vilhena Unit | ' | 1 | ı |
| 2620 | Srijaroen Palm Oil Wastewater Treatment Project in Krabi Province, | ? | ? | ? |
| | Thailand | | | |
| 2636 | AVN08-S-01, Methane Recovery and Biogas Utilization Project, Nghe | ? | ? | ? |
| | An Province, Vietnam | | | |
| 2637 | AVN08-S-02, Methane Recovery and Biogas Utilization Project, Nghe | ? | ? | ? |
| | An Province, Vietnam | | | |
| 2639 | VN08-WWS-04, Methane Recovery and Biogas Utilization Project, Lao | ? | ? | ? |
| | Cai Province, Vietnam | | | |
| 2640 | VN08-WWS-05, Methane Recovery and Biogas Utilization Project, | ? | ? | ? |
| | Quang Tri Province, Vietnam | | | |
| 2647 | Methane Recovery Project of Fuyu Huihai Alcohol Co., Ltd. | ? | ? | ? |
| 2662 | ID08-WWP-11, Methane Recovery in Wastewater Treatment, Jambi, | ? | ? | ? |
| | Indonesia | | | |
| 2667 | Biogas Project, Olmeca III, Tecún Uman | ? | ? | ? |
| 2668 | Tianjin Zhenxing Cement Waste Heat Recovery for Power Generation | ? | ? | ? |
| | Project | | | |
| 2671 | Xiangfan Huaxin Cement 7.5MW Waste Heat Recovery as Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
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| Ref No. | Title | A | B | C |
|---------|--|---|---|---|
| 2675 | Changzhou Panshi Cement Waste Heat Recovery for Power Generation | ? | ? | ? |
| | Project | | | |
| 2676 | Tianjin TEDA Sewage Methane Recovery Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2698 | 10 MW bundled Luni–III & Luni–II hydroelectric projects for a grid | ? | ? | ? |
| | system at Sri Sai Krishna Hydro Energies Private Limited in Kangra | | | |
| | District, Himachal Pradesh. | | | |
| 2707 | Hubei Yichang Qilinguan Shaguandou Hydropower Station | ? | ? | ? |

Background: Three (3) or more members of the Executive Board or a Party involved requested a review of the requests for registration of the cases listed in table 1 above. In accordance with "Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 41 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism", for each case the Board shall decide whether to register the project activity as requested (case A in table 1), request that changes be made in the project documentation prior to registration (case B in table 1), or undertake a review (case C in table 1). If the Board agrees to undertake a review of these requests for registration it shall also decide on the scope of the review and the composition of the review team for each case. It should be noted that project activity "Jiangxi Pinggang Group 20MW Waste Gas and Surplus Steam based Captive Power Plant" (2499) has also received three requests for review. The DOE (TUEV-SUED) has subsequently issued a negative validation opinion.

Table 2: Projects which were placed "Under review" at EB49

| Ref No. | Title | A | B | C |
|---------|---|---|---|---|
| 1745 | Nanchang Maiyuan Landfill Gas Recovery and Utilisation Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2124 | Heilongjiang Huanan Hengdaishan East (II) Wind Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2127 | Waste Gas based Power Generation Project at Ankit Metal & Power Limited | ? | ? | ? |
| 2152 | Heilongjiang Wuerguli Wind Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2381 | Inner Mongolia Meiyaoshan Wind Farm Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2427 | Inno-Kwants Mewah- Palm Oil Mill Waste Recycle Scheme, Malaysia | ? | ? | ? |
| 2445 | Pure-low Temperature Waste Heat Recovery for Power Generation (2×7MW) in Guangdong Tapai Cement Co., Ltd. | ? | ? | ? |
| 2461 | BFG-fired Power Generation Project in Baosteel Co Ltd., Shanghai, P. R. China. | ? | ? | ? |
| 2471 | Sintex 7.5 MW Natural gas based package cogeneration project, Gujarat – India | ? | ? | ? |
| 2504 | Utilization of waste gas heat for power generation | ? | ? | ? |
| 2507 | Waste Heat Recovery based Captive Power Project of Adhunik Metaliks Limited | ? | ? | ? |
| 2519 | Bhushan Power and Steel Limited–Waste Heat Recovery based Captive Power Project | ? | ? | ? |
| 2530 | Shandong Laizhou phase I Wind Power Project | ? | ? | ? |





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Background: At its forty-ninth meeting, the Board decided to place the 13 (thirteen) project activities identified in table 2 above under review. A review has been conducted by the review teams and a recommendation has been circulated to the Board. In accordance with the "Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 41 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism", the Board shall decide whether to register the project activities (case A in table 2), to request the DOE and project participants to make corrections (case B in table 2), or to reject the project activities (case C in table 2). Project activities "Hebei Wasted Gas based Captive Power Plant Project in Longgang Group (2508) and "The Waste Heat Recovery Based Coke Dry Quenching Power Generation Project of Xingang Company" (2511) were also placed under review by the Board at its forty-ninth meeting, however the project participants have withdrawn these requests for registration.

Registration procedure/General guidance

55. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the revised the "Procedures for processing and reporting on validation of CDM project activities" as contained in annex 5 to these annotations.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board took note of concerns with regard to the application of its decision as contained in paragraph 41 of the report of its thirtieth meeting, regarding the withdrawal of participants during validation, and requested the secretariat to prepare a revision to the "Procedures for processing and reporting on validation of CDM project activities" to address these issues for its consideration at its fiftieth meeting.

56. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> a summary of the major issues and their justification that have triggered request for review, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The CMP at its fourth session, requested the Board to review its experience gained in the project registration and certified emission reductions issuance processes and to summarize systematically the major issues that trigger a request for review and corresponding justification. The secretariat has prepared an initial summary of the major issues leading to reviews of registration and issuance, based on cases considered by the Board between mid-2008 and mid-2009, to address the second part of the above request.

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

57. ► *Action:* The Board may wish to <u>take stock</u> of the progress of issuance and the operation of the CDM registry.

Background: The information available in the section on "Issuance of CERs" on the UNFCCC CDM website (http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance), indicates the status of request for issuance.

Case specific

58. ► *Action:* The Board shall <u>consider requests for review</u> of the 10 requests for issuance listed in table 5.

Table 5: Requests for issuance for which a review has been requested by three or more Board members or one Party involved.

| Ref. No. | Title | No. of CERs | A | В | C |
|----------|--|-------------|---|---|---|
| 0118 | 3.5 MW Rice Husk based Cogeneration Project at Oswal Woolen Mills Ltd. | 16500 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0943 | 5 MW Renewable Energy Project for a Grid system, India at Beas Nallah in Kullu district of Himachal | 39278 | ? | ? | ? |





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| Ref. No. | Title | No. of CERs | A | В | C |
|----------|---|-------------|---|---|---|
| | Pradesh by M/s Sai Engineering Foundation | | | | |
| 0089 | Vaturu and Wainikasou Hydro Projects | 17728 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0122 | Agua Fresca Multipurpose and environmental services project | 18076 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0453 | NorthWind Bangui Bay Project | 40841 | ? | ? | ? |
| 1021 | 13.4 MW bundled wind power project in Chithradurga, Karnataka | 59201 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0126 | Yuzaikou Small Hydropower Station | 43762 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0008 | Brazil NovaGerar Landfill Gas to Energy Project | 81530 | ? | ? | ? |
| 1059 | Substitution of coal with jute biomass residue (caddies) in the steam generating boiler for use on-site | 5283 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0765 | Catalytic N2O destruction project in the tail gas of three Nitric Acid Plants at Hu-Chems Fine Chemical Corp. | 342983 | ? | ? | ? |

Background: Three (3) or more members of the Executive Board or a Party involved requested a review of the requests for issuance listed in table 5 above. In accordance with the "Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 65 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism", for each case the Board shall decide whether to instruct the CDM registry administrator to issue the requested CERs (case A in table 5), to issue CERs following corrections (case B in table 5) or to undertake a review of the request for issuance (case C in table 5). 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.

59. Action: The Board shall consider the recommendation of the review team for the 3 project activities listed in table 6, which the Board placed under review at its forty-ninth meeting.

Table 6: Projects which were placed "Under review" at EB48

| Ref No. | Title | No. of CERs | A | В | C |
|---------|---|-------------|---|---|---|
| 0966 | Mondi Richards Bay Biomass Project | 78011 | ? | ? | ? |
| 0170 | El Molle – Landfill gas (LFG) capture project | 47016 | ? | ? | ? |

Background: At its forty-ninth meeting the Board decided to place the project activities identified in table 6 above under review. A review has been conducted by the review teams and a recommendation has been circulated to the Board. In accordance with the "Procedures for review referred to in paragraph 65 of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism", for each case the Board shall decide whether to approve the proposed issuance of CERs (case A in table 6), to request the DOE to make corrections based on the findings from the review before approving the issuance of CERs (case B in Table 6), or to decline to approve the proposed issuance of CERs (case C in Table 6). It should be noted that a request for issuance from the project activity "RIO BLANCO Small Hydroelectric Project (0028) which was placed under review by the Board at its forty-ninth meeting have been withdrawn by the DOE/project participants

(4) Management plan and resources for the work on the CDM

60. **Action**: The Board may wish to: (a) <u>take note</u> of the report by the secretariat on the status of resources and (b) take further action, as necessary.

Background: The status of income and expenditure is presented in annex 6 of these annotations.



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61. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> an assessment of compliance with indicative timelines set by the Board in different processes, as contained in annex 7 to these annotations.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board considered the initial assessment of compliance with indicative timelines set by the Board in different processes and requested the secretariat to update the Board at every meeting on these timelines, including the rationale if these timelines could not be met.

(5) Other matters

(a) Requests by CMP to the Board

62. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> the draft recommendations to the CMP and measures contained in annex 8 to these annotations, based on the elements identified and agreed at the two policy retreats of the Board.

Background: In response to the request of the CMP at its fourth session, the Board has considered possible measures to improve the efficiency in the operation of the CDM during its policy retreats held backto-back with its forty-eighth and forty-ninth meetings. The Board requested the secretariat to prepare draft recommendations to the CMP based on the agreed elements identified at the two retreats for consideration at its fiftieth meeting.

63. **Action**: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> for adoption the draft annual report of the Board to CMP as contained in annex 9 to these annotations.

Background: The Board took note of the status of the requests made by the CMP (Decision 2/CMP.4) to the Board through a workplan prepared by the secretariat which structures the guidance, mandates, activities and timelines. The Board further agreed to the main elements to be included in its annual report and to consider the draft annual report to the CMP for adoption at is fiftieth.

(b) Regional distribution

64. Action: The Board may wish to <u>consider</u> draft recommendations prepared by the secretariat, as contained in annex 10 to these annotations, in response to feedback provided by members of the Board and responses by DNAs on the call for inputs on Regional Distribution matters available on the UNFCCC CDM website⁴.

Background: The Board, at its forty-eighth meeting, in response to the request by the CMP through its decision 2/CMP.4 paragraphs 26, 53 and 54, considered submissions received by DNAs in response to its call for inputs and had an initial discussion on possible ways to address the CMP requests. The Board requested Board members to send inputs on this issue to the secretariat by latest 1 September in order that the secretariat can prepare draft recommendations to CMP, taking into account the views expressed and inputs received, for consideration by the Board at its fiftieth meeting.

(c) Relations with Designated National Authorities

65. Action: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> of the update by the secretariat on the preparations of the eighth meeting of the CDM DNA Forum to be held in October 2009 in Singapore.

Background: The CMP, 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 on a regular basis in conjunction with meetings of CMP and its subsidiary bodies.

⁴ https://cdm.unfccc.int/public inputs/2009/CMPreq/index.html.



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The Board, at its twenty-third meeting, agreed to establish the CDM DNA Forum and requested the secretariat to provide support to this forum.

(d) Relations with Designated Operational and Applicant Entities

66. Action: The Board may wish to (a) take note of the report by the Chair of the CDM DOE/AE Coordination Forum; and (b) provide feedback to the forum, as appropriate.

Background: Views on issues to be addressed to the Board by the CDM DOE/AE Coordination Forum 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 meeting.

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

67. **Action:** The Board may wish to (a) agree to <u>avail itself for informal briefings</u> with registered observers in the afternoon of the last day of the meeting; and (b) invite members and alternates to <u>share information</u> on events in which they participated.

Background: On the occasion of its last meeting, the Chair and other members of the Board met with registered observers for an informal briefing and agreed to continue with such meetings in the afternoon of the last day of its future meetings, unless otherwise indicated.

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

(f) Other business

68. Action: The Board may wish to <u>take note</u> of communications submitted by the public and agree on any actions, as appropriate.

Background: At its thirty-first meeting, the Board revised its procedures for public communication, as contained in annex 37 to its report. These procedures shall be followed with respect to all unsolicited submissions.

The following communications from DNAs and/or Governments have been sent to the Board prior to its fiftieth meeting:

(a) Letter from Mr. Sum Thy, Chief of Climate Change Officer, Ministry of the Royal Government of Cambodia and Mr. Keisuke Iyadomi, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (Japan), received on 29 September 2009, relating to the amendment of procedues for requesting changes to the start date of the crediting period for CDM project activities in Least Developed Countries.

The following communications from other stakeholders have been sent to the Board prior to its fiftieth meeting:

- (a) Letter from Mr. Yogesh Mehra, Managing Director, Enercon India, received on 29 September 2009, relating to delays in submission of replies to corrections requested for projects with reference numbers 1167, 1286 and 1291 by the DOE;
- (b) Letter from Mr. Martin Enderlin, Chair, Project Developer Forum, received on 29 September 2009, relating to the barriers to the implementation of CDM Programme of Activities;
- (c) Letter from Mr. Stephen Abrams, Head of Monitoring and Validation, Ecosecurities, received on 29 September 2009, relating to the operational hours in AM0034;





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- (d) Letter from Mr. Albrecht von Ruffer, Managing Director, n-serve, received on 28 September 2009, relating to the operating hours in the baseline campaign, AM0034;
- (e) Letter from Mr. Martin Enderlin, Chair, Project Developer Forum, received on 28 September 2009, relating to the availability of large scale methodologies in MS Word format;
- (f) Letter from Mr. Martin Enderlin, Chair, Project Developer Forum, received on 28 September 2009, relating to the operational hours within projects applying methodology AM0034, catalytic reduction of N2O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants;
- (g) Letter from Mr. Koichiro Fukui, President, Japan Carbon Finance Ltd., received on 25 September 2009, relating to delays in the registration of project activities due to a possible inappropriate handling by the DOE;
- (h) Letter from T. Pieterse, Executive Manager, Landfill Section, Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Manager and Jesus Abadia Ibañez, Director for Environment and Sustainable Development, ENDESA, received on 25 September 2009, relating to the impact of SGS suspension on their CDM project;
- (i) Letter from Mr. Robert Desbiens, Consultec (Sustainable Urban Transport Systems), received on 17 September 2009, relating to the expansion of CDM to urban transport based projects;
- (j) Letter from Ms. Lisa Walker, Policy Director, Alternativenergy, received on 28 August 2009, relating to the SGS NM submission CDM.VAL1805 Capture, transport and long-term storage of geological formations of CO2 from natural gas processing operations;
- (k) Letter from Mr. Martin Enderlin, Chair, Project Developer Forum, received on 26 August 2009, relating to the current timelines for performing completeness checks of requests for issuance.
- 69. Action: The Board may wish to consider any other business it deems necessary.

(6) Conclusion of the meeting

70. Action: The Board may wish to <u>agree</u> the report of the fiftieth meeting.

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

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