

REPORT OF THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE METHODOLOGIES PANEL
 UNFCCC Headquarters, Bonn, Germany
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I. RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE METHODOLOGIES PANEL TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

A. Consideration of proposed new methodologies

1. The Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel) considered the following proposed new methodologies:

• NM0017-rev	Steam system efficiency improvements in refineries in Fushun, China
• NM0034-rev2	Granja Becker greenhouse gas (GHG) mitigation project, Brazil
• NM0020-rev	La Vuelta and La Herradura Hydroelectric project, Colombia
• NM0030-rev	BCML methodology for grid connected bagasse/biomass based power projects, India
• NM0031-rev	OSIL baseline methodology for electricity generation projects from utilization of waste heat from waste gases, India
• NM0038	Methane gas capture and electricity production at Chisinau wastewater treatment plant, Moldova
• NM0041	Khorat waste to energy project, Thailand
• NM0042	Energy efficiency improvements in municipal water utilities in Karnataka, India - water pumping efficiency improvement
• NM0047	Indocement's sustainable cement production project - blended cement component, Indonesia
• NM0048	Indocement's sustainable cement production project – alternative fuel component, Indonesia
• NM0050	Ratchasima small power producer (SPP) expansion project, Thailand
• NM0051	PCH Passo do Meio, Brazil
• NM0053	Lihir geothermal power project, Papua New Guinea
• NM0054	Sibimbe hydroelectric project, Ecuador

2. After considering the proposed new methodologies as well as desk reviews, public inputs received, the Meth Panel:

(a) Agreed on the final recommendations on proposals (NM0030-rev, NM0031-rev, NM0034-rev2, NM0041, NM0042, NM0047, NM0048) for the consideration of the Executive Board at its fifteenth meeting. Final recommendations will be made available in the UNFCCC CDM web site: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/process>. In particular the Meth Panel:

- (i) Recommended the approval of proposal NM0034-rev2;
- (ii) Recommended the revision of proposals NM0031-rev, NM0041, NM0042, NM0047 and NM0048;
- (iii) Recommend not to approve NM0030-rev. The Meth panel notes that:
 - Elements of the submitted methodology have been used together with elements of other methodologies to prepare the “Consolidated baseline methodology for zero-emissions grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources”;
 - As such the aspects related to the electricity displaced have been addressed by the consolidated methodology. Regarding the biomass related aspects, it is not clear to which extent this methodology brings

new and clearly applicable methodological elements compared to the ones already provided by two (2) previously approved biomass based grid connected power generation methodologies, e.g. NM0001-rev and AM0004;

- For these reasons the Meth Panel recommends that the project participants, who submitted the present methodology should consider the possibility of using one of the already approved methodologies;
- Reasons for not approving this methodology are described in the final recommendation by the Meth Panel;

(b) Agreed on the preliminary recommendations on proposals NM0017-rev, NM0020-rev, NM0050, NM0051, NM0053. In accordance with the procedures for submission and consideration of a proposed new methodology, project participants would have the opportunity to provide technical clarifications on these preliminary recommendations. Preliminary recommendations for which project participants do not provide any clarification within the ten-day consultation period will be made available in the UNFCCC CDM web site: <http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/process>;

(c) Recognized that it needs further consideration of case NM0054 before finalizing a preliminary recommendation on it and agreed to reconsider this case at its thirteenth meeting;

(d) Agreed that the recommendation on case NM0038 as well as the reformatted version of NM0034rev2 should be made available to the Board in an addendum to this report, if the Panel reaches consensus via list serve on these documents before the deadline for the sixteenth meeting of the Executive Board.

3. Meth Panel agreed on criteria, as contained in annex 1 to this report, to be used in the screening process to assess proposed new methodologies in accordance with paragraph 6 of the procedures for submission and consideration of proposed new methodologies (version 06).

4. In response to the guidance by the Board, the Meth Panel considers that methodologies NM0012-rev, NM0024, NM0036 and NM0043 are covered by the consolidated baseline and monitoring methodologies for grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources. If project participants consider that their proposals or applicability conditions are not covered by the consolidated methodology they may submit revised methodology proposals for consideration of the Board and the Meth Panel. These proposals shall however justify variations from the consolidated methodology.

B. Amendments to Appendix B on “Indicative simplified baseline and monitoring methodologies for selected small-scale CDM project activity categories”

5. The Meth Panel agreed on recommendations for revisions to appendix B on “Indicative simplified baseline and monitoring methodologies for selected small-scale CDM project activity categories” as contained in annex 2 to this report.

6. The Meth Panel started considering the issue of use of biomass from non-sustainable sources as applicable category of small-scale project activity/CDM project activities and agreed to request the SSC WG and A/R WG to further assess the relation to eligibility of such activities under the CDM modalities and procedures before a recommendation is elaborated to the Board.

C. National Policies

7. The Meth Panel agreed on recommendations regarding national policies and regulations as contained in annex 3 to this report. The Meth panel requested the Chair to present an oral report explaining the recommendations by the Meth Panel.

D. Revision of AM0001

8. The Meth Panel, in response to the guidance provided by the Board to prepare recommendations regarding possible revisions to AM0001, requests the Board to consider launching a call for public inputs on (i) possible alternative approaches to assessing the baseline scenario for destruction of HFC 23 in the HCFC 22 industry, (ii) on common practices in this industry, complementing previously available information, and (iii) assessing possible impacts of such project activities on the supply and demand of HCFC 22.

E. Communication with the Board and Desk reviewers

9. The Meth Panel welcomed the opportunity to interact with Executive Board members and alternates, panels, working groups and CDM experts in the "Second Joint Workshop of the CDM Executive Board and its Panels and Experts". The Meth Panel considers it important to seek, as far as possible, to hold its meetings back to back with the A/R WG and SSC WG and at least once a year with the Board and Subsidiary Bodies.

F. Schedule of meetings

10. The Meth Panel agreed on to hold its fourteenth meeting on 26 to 28 January 2005.

II. ROSTER OF EXPERTS

11. The Meth Panel noted the satisfactory completion of the desk reviews undertaken for proposed new methodologies considered at the meeting and the desk reviews considered for submissions submitted at round 7 (29 June 2004).

12. The Meth Panel agreed to consider at its next meeting clarifying criteria for selection of experts to the roster as well as possible ways to improve feedback to experts on work undertaken by them. The Meth Panel welcomes the launching of an extranet for experts to exchange views on methodological issues.
