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Attn: CDM Executive Board

Request for review: Mitigation of Methane Emissions in the Charcoal Production of Plantar, Brazil (Ref. no. 1051)

Honorable Members of the CDM Executive Board,

In response to the review of request of the proposed CDM project activity "Mitigation of Methane Emissions in the Charcoal Production of Plantar, Brazil" (Ref. no. 1051), the information presented below clarifies the issues noted in the review.

1. The validation report should clearly state how the project activity satisfies the prompt start criteria, e.g., the PDD was submitted for validation before 31 December 2005 or a new methodology was submitted before 11 January 2006.

Response: The new methodology "Mitigation of Methane Emissions in the Charcoal Production of Plantar, Brazil" together with the Draft PDD was submitted to the UNFCCC on 19 April 2005 for consideration of the CDM Methodology Panel. Copy of the UNFCCC email communication on the receipt of the new baseline and monitoring methodology and the draft PDD documents is enclosed (Annex 9 of the PDD).

After completeness check, the new methodology was assigned NM-0110 and posted at the UNFCCC website. The call for public inputs on this new methodology occurred between **9 May 2005 and 27 May 2005**. The link to the new methodology listed at the UNFCCC is presented below.

 $\underline{http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/publicview.html?OpenRound=10}\\ \underline{\&single=1\&OpenNM=NM0110}$

After completion of the Methodology Panel's review, the NM110-rev was approved as AM0041: "Mitigation of Methane Emissions in the Wood Carbonization Activity for Charcoal Production"

The project activity "Mitigation of methane emission on Wood Carbonization Activity for Charcoal Production" (Ref. no. 1051), therefore, is in full compliance with the prompt start criteria of the CDM.

2. Further evidence should be provided to demonstrate that the CDM was seriously considered in the decision to proceed with this project activity.

Response: The following evidence demonstrates that the CDM was seriously considered in the decision to proceed with this project activity.

The Prototype Carbon Fund (PCF) and Plantar (project entity) signed a Letter of Intent on 25 April 2001 to purchase an agreed amount of Emissions Reductions generated by the Plantar's replacement of coke with charcoal in the pig iron manufacture. The letter confirms the PCF's interest in obtaining the Certified Emission Reductions achieved by the project under the Clean Development Mechanism defined under Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change provided it meets the quality standards of the PCF and the project confirms to the World Bank environmental and social safeguards. The letter further confirms the intent of both the project participants to enter into an Emissions Reductions Purchase Agreement (copy of the letter enclosed as Annex 8C of the PDD).

3. The PDD should display the annual average emission reductions for the first crediting period.

Response: The PDD dated March 6, 2007 has been revised to display the annual average emission reductions for the **first** crediting period of 7 years and the revised table showing average annual emission reductions of 16,098 tonnes of CO₂e is presented below.

Year	Annual estimation of emission reductions in tonnes of CO ₂ e
2004 (from July to December)	4,343
2005	9,659
2006	6,338
2007	16,763
2008	21,596
2009	21,596
2010	21,596
2011 (up to June)	10,798
Total estimated reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	112,689
Total number of crediting years	7
Annual average over the crediting period of estimated reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	16,098

The World Bank appreciates consideration of the above information and we look forward to providing relevant additional information.

Sincerely,

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