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Re- Request for review for issuance of the CER for "Rithwik 6 MW Renewable Sources Biomass Power Project "(Ref. no. 0253) for the monitoring period 25th September 2006 – 24th September 2007

Dear Mr. Sethi,

SGS has been informed that the request for issuance for the CDM project activity "Rithwik 6 MW Renewable Sources Biomass Power Project "(Ref. no. 0253) for the monitoring period 25/09/2006 to 24/09/2007 is under consideration for review because four requests for review have been received from members of the Board.

The requests for review are based on the same reasons outlined below and read. SGS would like to provide a response to the issue raised by the review team:

Request for clarification to the DOE/PP:

The PDD requires use of weighted average emission of current generation mix option for calculating the baseline emission factor, which was also validated. However the verification report mentions on page 11 that this parameter is taken from the PDD. Further clarification is required how the DOE verified that the baseline emission factor was calculated in accordance with the PDD.

SGS Reply: As per the registered PDD, the baseline emission factor was calculated based on the weighted average of state grid generation mix of Andhra Pradesh which was determined for the entire crediting period. The baseline emission factor was calculated based on the current data available at the time of validation of the PDD as mentioned in PDD section B.5 i.e. 18/11/2005. For the current monitoring period of 2006-07, the weighted average emission factor was estimated to be 0.731 tCO₂/MWh as per the registered PDD & validated spreadsheet. The PDD and monitoring methodology AMS.I.D version 07 does not mention the requirement of updating baseline emission factor with the current available data. The baseline emission factor has never been the parameter of the monitoring plan to be monitored. The revised monitoring plan recently approved by CDM EB also does not mention the requirement of updating baseline emission factor. The baseline emission factor was verified from the validated spreadsheet and the registered PDD. The spreadsheet is attached with this response as Annex 1.

Therefore, we feel that the clarification sought by board members has been taken into account. We do however apologize if this was not sufficiently clear from the verification and certification report.

Pankaj Mohan (0091 9871794671) will be the contact person for the review process and is available to address questions from the Board during the consideration of the review in case the Executive Board wishes.

Yours sincerely

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Encl : Annex 1 Validated baseline emission factor spreadsheet
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