Clarification on the approved consolidated methodology ACM0012 version 03.2 regarding CDM project activities that recover waste energy in greenfield facilities

(Version 01)

1. The CDM Executive Board clarified, on the approved consolidated methodology ACM0012 version 03.2, that:

   (a) For the CDM project activities that recover waste energy in greenfield facilities, to demonstrate that the energy from waste energy streams would have been released without its recovery (or with partial recovery) in the absence of the project activity, project participants may apply the following steps:

      (i) Obtain from the manufacturer(s) of the project facility, alternative designs including the usage of waste energy that is recovered under the project; and

      (ii) Determine, through investment analysis, which design would be the baseline scenario for the greenfield facility.

   (b) If the production capacity is increased or replaced, then the increased or replaced capacity shall be treated as a greenfield facility. This approach applies to an entirely new industrial facility as well as to new specific process equipment generating waste energy, e.g. a new blast furnace installed in an existing integrated iron and steel plant.

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