

Final Ruling Regarding the Request for Issuance of CERs

“6 MW renewable energy project for a grid system by Ind-Barath Energies Limited ” (0970)

In line with “*Procedures for review of requests for issuance of CERs*”, version 1.3, EB 55 Annex 41, paragraph 20, the CDM-Executive Board decided to reject the request for issuance for the above project activity on 18th January 2011, for the monitoring period 25/03/2008 to 24/03/2009.

In accordance with paragraphs 27 and 28 of the above mentioned procedures, the CDM-Executive Board concluded that it could not approve the request for issuance for the proposed project activity because:

- The application of CO₂ emission factor for coal in the calculation of project emission is not in line with the requirement in PDD which requires IPCC value to be used, and no conservative approach has been adopted.

The request for issuance was rejected because the calculation of project emissions was based on a CO₂ emission factor for coal from a source different from the one specified in the registered PDD. The PDD on page 26 states that the source of the CO₂ emission factor for coal will be the IPCC. As per the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories the value for the coal emission factor is 96.1 tCO₂/TJg. Instead, the source of the emission factor actually used is the Central Electricity Authority of India, with the value of 95.81 tCO₂/TJ.

The application of a lower emission factor in the calculation of project emissions, not following a conservative approach, led to a higher amount of emission reductions claimed.

This is not in compliance with the requirements of paragraph 208 of the VVM version 01.2, EB 55, Annex 1, which states:

“The DOE shall determine whether:

- (c) Calculations of baseline emissions, proposed CDM project activity emissions and leakage, as appropriate, have been carried out in accordance with the formulae and methods described in the monitoring plan and the applied methodology document;
- (e) Appropriate emission factors, IPCC default values and other reference values have been correctly applied.”

The DOE failed to verify that the calculations of project emissions have been carried out in accordance with the formulae and methods described in the monitoring plan, and failed to verify that appropriate emission factors, IPCC default values and other reference values have been correctly applied.

Please note, in accordance with paragraph 96 of the Report of the 28th EB Meeting, in cases where the reasons for rejection can be addressed by means of a revised verification report based on a revised monitoring report, the DOE may request permission (including explanation of reasons) to submit a revised request for issuance for the same monitoring period covered by the rejection. The Board will consider such a request at the subsequent EB meeting following that request in accordance with the procedures and decide on a case-by-case basis. In these cases the Board will provide further guidance, as appropriate. In cases where such a revised request for issuance is also rejected it shall not be possible to resubmit for a third time.

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