



**CDM: Recommendation Form for Small Scale Methodologies (version 01)**  
*(To be used for presenting questions/proposals/amendments to the simplified methodologies for small-scale CDM project activity categories)*

<i>Date of SSC WG meeting:</i>	11–14 January 2011, SSC WG 29
<i>Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):</i>	Revision of AMS III.R to allow for non-renewable biomass to be used in the baseline
<i>Indicative methodology to which your submission relates (refer the items of Appendix B of the Simplified Modalities and Procedures), if applicable.</i>	AMS-III.R “Methane recovery in agricultural activities at household/small farm level”
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**Summary of the query:**

Please use the space below to summarize the query related to SSC methodologies/categories SSC Modalities and Procedures provide recommendation/analysis of the SSC WG.

Original text from PP:

III.R is only applicable in combination with AMS I.C. As AMS I.C is only applicable for thermal energy that displaces fossil fuel use, it in effect excludes projects that replaces non-renewable biomass such as charcoal. This even though the poorest people rely on non-renewable biomass and charcoal, and the use of such fuel contributes more to greenhouse gas emission than if the same households would use any fossil fuel.

If AMS III.R would also include projects that use charcoal in the baseline, it would have a huge development effect and enable a great number of people to get access to household digesters, which would not only contribute to reduce the volume of Charcoal that are produced, and hence greatly reduce CO2 emission from such processes, and reduce deforestation. Such solutions would also lead to a greater reduction in CO2 emission from the combustion than would have been the case if any form of fossil fuel was to be used in the baseline.

**Recommendation by the SSC WG:**

Please use the space below to provide amendments/change (in your expert view, if necessary).

Please refer to paragraph 18 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 29  
[http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc\\_wg](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc_wg).

**Answer to authors of query by the SSC WG:**

Please use the space below to provide answer to the authors of the above query.

The small-scale working group of the CDM Executive Board would like to thank the author for the submission.

The SSC WG agreed to recommend a revision of AMS-III.R, as contained in annex 5, to allow the combination of this methodology with AMS-I.E “Switch from Non-Renewable Biomass for Thermal Applications by the User”

Signed by the Chair, Mr. Peer Stiansen

Date: 14/01/2011

Signed by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Hugh Sealy

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