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**Subject** **Call for Input: how to include co-benefits and negative impacts in the documentation of CDM project activities**

Honourable Members of the CDM Executive Board,  
Dear Mr. Hession,

In response to your call for public input on how to include co-benefits and negative impacts in the documentation of CDM project activities and the role of the different actors and stakeholders in this process, please consider the following input from PD Forum members on this subject.

First, we would like to point your attention to the existing reporting requirements of the project participants. Project participants already provide a detailed report on the co-benefits and the positive/negative impacts in chapter D (environmental impacts) and chapter E (stakeholder comments) of the Project Design Document (PDD). The information provided is confirmed by the validating DOE.

Second, the host country approves the contribution of the projects to the sustainable development of the country and it is the sole responsibility of the respective DNA to take care of this aspect of the CDM as constituted in the Marrakech Accord. Many host countries require input on this subject above and beyond that stated in the PDD. Brazil and Mexico, for example, require information on sustainable development prior to issuing a Letter of Approval (LoA)<sup>1</sup> to authorize a CDM project in their country. Some of our members have also been contacted by the DNA to learn about the progress of the projects post registration.

Therefore, we are confident that the current reporting requirements of the project participants are already sufficient in regard to this aspect and as the DNA has a better and more objective overview of the "big picture," we respectively suggest that the DNA report to the EB/Secretariat independently on the achieved co-benefits and negative impacts (if any).

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information and/or discussions.

Kind regards,



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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.mct.gov.br/index.php/content/view/320870.html>;

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