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 CDM: FORM FOR SUBMISSION OF “LETTER TO THE BOARD” (Version 01.1) <i>(To be used only by the Project Participants and other Stakeholders for submitting Letter to the Board as per Modalities and Procedures for Direct Communication with Stakeholders)</i>	
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Title/Subject (give a short title or specify the subject of your submission)	Unsolicited letter relating to the common practice and FoiK as per additionality tool version 6
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Please use the space below to describe in detail the issue that needs to be clarified/revise or on which the response is requested from the Board as highlighted above. In doing this please describe the exact reference source including the version (if any). 	

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Date 5/4/2012
Subject **Unsolicited letter relating to the common practice and
FoiK as per additionality tool version 6**

Dear Mr. Maosheng Duan,
Honorable Members of the CDM Executive Board,

The Project Developer Forum (PD Forum) welcomes the new additionality tool 6.0.0. However, there are some issues on which we seek further clarification in order to achieve a common understanding for all project developers and DOE's.

- 1) According to the webcast of EB 65 the new tool version 6.0.0 must be used only for projects with GSP after publication of the tool. All other projects can use the old version 5.2.1. of the tool up to 25 July 2012. The new additionality tool supersedes the guidelines as the guidelines are now incorporated within the tool. We would request the EB / secretariat to please kindly confirm this decision in writing as some DOE are still requesting the use of the new tool 6.0.0 for projects that started GSP before EB 65. Some DOEs also still demand the application of the guidelines even if the previous version of the Additionality Tool 5.2.1 is used, despite the EB's acceptance at EB65 that the guidelines and the old version of the tool are not compatible.
- 2) Please also confirm that it is sufficient to resolve the inequation $F < 20\% = 1 - N_{diff} / N_{all}$ without having to investigate the statistics of N_{all} / N_{diff} . E.g. if it can be shown that there is no similar project, then $N_{diff} = N_{all}$; $F = 0\%$ and $F < 20\%$; so the project is not common practise. The reason we ask for this clarification is that many countries do not provide detailed data to quantify N_{all} and N_{diff} and very often it is only possible to make a conservative estimation. PD Forum has raised this concern in our previous submissions on this topic.
- 3) According to the CP section of the additionality tool 6.0.0, only measures including a fuel or technology switch as well as methane destruction and avoidance are covered by this tool. Our understanding is that greenfield projects such as new hydro or wind projects have to use this tool as well. However, we note that an alternative interpretation is that the tool is not applicable for greenfield projects and that these type of projects should use an alternative approach. The current wording is not completely clear. Could you please revise the tool or issue a statement to clarify this point?
- 4) We have a number of questions concerning prior consideration:
 - a. Can compliance with the guidelines be shown if there is evidence that the initial notification or the subsequent notification after two years has been signed and sent in time but – for some reason - not received in time?
 - b. What is the requirement for the subsequent notification if the project start date has still not happened? For example, what happens if the subsequent notification was not sent within the two years, but was still submitted prior to the project start date? Would that invalidate the whole prior notification? What would happen if the subsequent notification was not sent within the two



- years, but was sent within 6 months of the project start date?
- c. Can compliance be shown with other evidences such as DOE contracts, notification to the DNA, ERPA for a project that sent in the second notification within 2 years and e.g. one month?

Thank you for taking the time to consider our comments with regards to the new tool and if you need further clarification with regards to the areas outlined above then please let us know.

Kind regards,

Gareth Phillips
Chair, Project Developer Forum

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