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<i>Title/Subject (give a short title or specify the subject of your submission)</i>	Decision 4/CMP.7 Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories, common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks, and other methodological issues
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Date 2nd August 2012
Subject Decision 4/CMP.7

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

Further to our letter of 2nd April 2012 (below), we are writing to request further guidance on the application of the revised GWP for the second commitment period. PD Forum members have reviewed a number of methodologies and noted that some contain wording which may be sufficiently flexible to allow the application of the revised GWP from 1st January 2013 whilst others are less clear or make no specific reference. Furthermore, PDDs tend to vary on the topic with some containing adequate wording and others lacking.

For example,

ACM008: the methodology for the utilisation and destruction of coal mine methane, does not mention anything on revision of the GWP.

ACM 0002: methodology for grid-connected electricity generation from renewable uses the global warming potential of methane valid for the relevant commitment period. For the first commitment period it specifies 21 tCO₂e/tCH₄

ACM 0001- Flaring or use of landfill gas - specifies 21 for the first commitment period and states. Shall be updated according to any future COP/MOP decisions

ACM 14: Treatment of wastewater - specifies 21 for the first commitment period. Shall be updated according to any future COP/MOP decisions

The recently revised Flaring tool specifies "21 for the first commitment period. Shall be updated for future commitment periods according to any future COP/MOP decisions"

Accordingly, and to avoid any further uncertainties or bottlenecks, we wish to request to EB to issue a clarification to PPs and DOEs that all methods and PDDs and monitoring plans should apply the revised GWP for the second commitment period from 00:01 on 1st January 2013 and that methodologies and tools will be revised accordingly at the next opportunity for revision. Monitoring reports should clearly state where revised GWP values have been applied and transparently show the revised values in monitoring reports which span the end of the first commitment period and the start of the second commitment period.



Kind regards,

Gareth Phillips
Chair, Project Developer Forum

Letter of 2nd April 2012

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

The Project Developer Forum (PD Forum) would like to request clarification on the Executive Board's plans to implement "Decision 4/CMP.7, Greenhouse gases, sectors and source categories, common metrics to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks, and other methodological issues."

Section B. Common metrics, reads as follows:

5. Decides that, for the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol, the global warming potentials used by Parties to calculate the carbon dioxide equivalence of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of the greenhouse gases listed in Annex A to the Kyoto Protocol shall be those listed in the column entitled "Global Warming Potential for Given Time Horizon" in table 2.14 of the errata to the contribution of Working Group I to the Fourth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, based on the effects of greenhouse gases over a 100-year time horizon, taking into account the inherent and complicated uncertainties involved in global warming potential estimates;

Table 2.14 of the Fourth Assessment Report http://www.ipcc.ch/publications_and_data/ar4/wg1/en/ch2s2-10-2.html#table-2-14 updates the GWP of methane from 21 to 25 and also provides different values (increases and decreases) for an extensive list of other gases. Clearly these changes will amount to significant alterations in baseline and project emissions and the PD Forum would like to know how and when these new values will be applied as they will influence the number of CERs generated.

Kind regards,

Gareth Phillips
Chair, Project Developer Forum



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