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Clarification

Implementation of the prior consideration of the CDM requirement in the absence of the host Party DNA

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1. Introduction

1. The Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board) considered the provisions governing the prior consideration of the CDM in following regulatory documents: the “CDM project cycle procedure” (PCP) (CDM-EB65-A32-PROC.), the “CDM project standard” (PS) (CDM-EB65-A05-STAN) and the “CDM validation and verification standard” (VVS) (CDM-EB65-A04-STAN). In particular, the Board considered the implementation of these provisions in those cases in which the designated national authority (DNA) of the host Party of a planned CDM project activity or programme of activities (PoA) has not been established.

2. Clarification

2. The Board agreed to clarify that project participants that intend to develop a project activity in a host Party where no DNA has been established at the time of the start date of the proposed project activity or within 180 days of that start date, shall notify only the UNFCCC secretariat of the commencement of the project activity and their intention to seek the CDM status.

2.1. Clarification to the PCP

3. The following paragraph shall read:

“For project activities with a start date on or after 2 August 2008, the project participants shall notify the designated national authority(ies) (DNAs) of the host Party(ies) of the project activity, **if the DNA exists**, and the secretariat in writing of the commencement of the project activity and their intention to seek the CDM status within 180 days of the start date of the project activity as defined in the “Glossary of CDM terms”, by using the “Prior consideration of the CDM form” (F-CDM-PC). Such notification is not necessary if:

- (a) A PDD regarding the project activity has been published for global stakeholder consultation in accordance with paragraph 16 below; or
- (b) A new baseline and monitoring methodology is proposed or a revision of an approved baseline and monitoring methodology is requested for the project activity before the start date in accordance with relevant procedures.” (paragraph 7 of the PCP, version 03.1)

2.2. Clarification to the PS

4. The following paragraph shall read:

“For a proposed CDM project activity with a start date on or after 2 August 2008, project participants shall inform the host Party’s designated national authority (DNA), **if the DNA exists**, and the secretariat of their intention to seek CDM status in accordance with the Project cycle procedure.” (paragraph 27 of the PS, version 02.1)

2.3. Clarification to the VVS

5. The following paragraph shall read:

“For a project activity with a start date on or after 2 August 2008, for which a PDD has not been published for global stakeholder consultation or a new methodology has not been proposed to the Board before the project activity start date, the DOE shall confirm by referring to the list of prior consideration notifications from the UNFCCC website and communication between the project proponent, the secretariat and the host Party DNA **if the DNA exists** regarding the commencement of a new project activity¹¹. If such notification has not been provided by the project participants within 180 days of the project activity start date, the DOE shall determine that the CDM was not seriously considered in the decision to implement the project activity.” (paragraph 107 of the VVS, version 03.0)

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