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Ruling note

Request for issuance for “Nubika Jaya
Biogas Extraction for Bio-Hydrogen
Production”

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1. The CDM-Executive Board decided to reject the request for issuance of certified emission reductions (CERs) for the above project activity for the monitoring period 01 August 2010 - 31 July 2012 on 21 February 2014, during its 77th meeting, in accordance with the “*Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure*” (PCP) version 04, paragraphs 224 and 225 (the procedure). According to paragraph 229 of the procedure, the rulings shall contain the reasons and rationale for the final decision, which are as follows:
 - (a) The DOE (JQA) has failed to substantiate how it assessed the measurements of the amount of biogas recovered from the anaerobic digester (V_{AD}) and the total amount of biogas utilized (V_{TR}) during the monitoring period to be accurate and reliable, and how it considered its application in the calculation of emission reductions to be conservative, in accordance with the “*Clean development mechanism validation and verification standard*” (VVS), version 03, paragraph 17 (d) and (e) and paragraph 253.
 - (b) VVS, version 03, paragraph 17 requires that the DOE shall “(d) assess the accuracy, conservativeness, relevance, completeness, consistency, and transparency of the information provided by project participants (PP).” and “(e) determine whether information provided by the PP is reliable and credible.”
 - (c) VVS, version 03, paragraph 253 states that “if the DOE identifies that the PP have deviated from the registered monitoring plan and/or methodology, and where the provisions of appendix 1 of the “*Clean development mechanism project standard*”, version 0X.0 (PS) do not apply, the DOE shall seek prior approval from the Board with respect to the acceptability of the deviations in accordance with the PCP.”
 - (d) The DOE confirmed that after the monitoring period under verification the PP replaced all the three existing flow meters for V_{AD} and V_{TR} and conducted “a two-week monitoring test”. The results of this monitoring test were then used to recalculate the leakage emissions, which is not in line with the provisions of the registered monitoring plan and also not sufficiently addressing the reliability of the measurements of V_{TR} during the monitoring period under verification. The DOE has failed to seek prior approval from the Board, regarding this deviation, in accordance with the VVS, version 03, paragraph 253.
2. Please note, however, that, in accordance with paragraph 236 of EB65 Annex 32, the DOE may re-submit the request for issuance with revised documentation if the reasons for the rejection can be addressed by means of a revised verification report, based on a revised monitoring report as appropriate. In this case, the DOE shall submit a request for re-submission of the request for issuance, justifying that the re-submission falls under such case. The Board shall consider such request at its subsequent meeting following receipt of the request and decide whether to allow the re-submission on a case-by-case basis. The Board may provide further guidance, as appropriate. In cases where the re-submitted request for issuance is also rejected by the Board, further re-submission of a request for issuance for the same monitoring period shall not be allowed.

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