



REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE AND POST REGISTRATION CHANGES- INFORMATION AND REPORTING CHECK CHECKLIST

PCP: Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure (version 09.0), EB 82, annex 15, 20 February 2015.

PS: Clean development mechanism project standard (version 09.0), EB 82, annex 13, 20 February 2015.

VVS: Clean development mechanism validation and verification standard (version 09.0), EB 82, annex 14, 20 February 2015.

SS: Sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programme of activities (version 04.1), EB 74, annex 6, 28 November 2013

Item	Description of the Item	References
INFORMATION AND REPORTING CHECK CHECKLIST - POST-REGISTRATION CHANGES (only types of changes described in Appendix 1 to the Project standard)		
1. Temporary deviations from the registered monitoring plan or applied methodology (only types of temporary deviations described in Appendix 1 to the Project standard)		
1.1 Monitoring report		
1.1.1 Temporary deviations from the registered monitoring plan, applied methodology or standardized baseline	Does the monitoring report contain a description of the nature, extent and duration of the non-conforming monitoring and the proposed alternative monitoring of the project activity?	PS para 272
1.2 Validation report		
1.2.1 Temporary deviations from the registered monitoring plan, applied methodology or standardized baseline	Does the DOE confirm that the temporary deviations from the registered monitoring plan, applied methodology or standardized baseline do not require prior approval of the Board, and the provisions of Appendix 1 of Project standard apply to those deviations?	VVS para 289, 298, 300-302
2. Corrections (only type of corrections described in Appendix 1 to the Project standard)		
2.1 Revised PDD		
2.1.1 Description of corrections	Does the revised PDD clearly detail the type of corrections to project information and specify how it is in accordance with Appendix 1 of the Project standard?	PS para 275
2.2 Validation report		
2.2.1 Corrections to project information - Appendix 1	Does the DOE confirm that the changes do not require prior approval of the Board and the provisions of Appendix 1 of Project Standard apply to those corrections?	VVS para 289, 303



2.2.2 Corrections to project information and parameters	Does the DOE confirm that the corrected information is accurate reflection of actual project information and the corrected parameters reflect application of the applied methodology, the registered monitoring plan and/or applied standardized baseline?	VVS para 304
3. Inclusion of monitoring plan to the registered PDD		
3.1 Revised PDD		
3.1.1 Data and parameters monitored	Does the PDD list all data and parameters to be monitored, as required by the applied methodology(ies) and/or the selected standardized baseline(s), including the details such as the unit, source, measurement methods, and QA/QC procedures?	PS para 64
3.1.2 Monitoring plan	Does the PDD contain a monitoring plan that describes the operational and management structure, responsibilities and institutional arrangement for data collection/ archiving, QA/QC procedures, and sampling plan where applicable?	PS para 65, 112, 113 SS section 4
3.2 Validation report		
3.2.1 Compliance with the Monitoring methodology	Does the validation report describe how the DOE has assessed the compliance of the monitoring plan with the applied methodology(ies), tools and/or standardized baseline(s): whether it contains all necessary parameters, how each parameter is monitored and if any proposed sampling plan is in line with the “Standard for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities”?	VVS para 149 (a) and (c), 150 (a) SS section 6
3.2.2 Implementation of the monitoring plan	Does the validation report describe how the DOE has assessed the monitoring plan, whether the monitoring arrangements, including the QA/QC procedures, are feasible within the project design and the project participants have ability to implement it?	VVS para 149 (b), 150 (b) and (c)
4. Permanent changes from the registered monitoring plan, monitoring methodology and/or standardized baseline (only types of changes described in Appendix 1 to the Project standard)		
4.1 Revised PDD		
4.1.1 Description of the proposed changes	Does the revised PDD provide a description of the nature and extent of the non-conforming monitoring and the proposed alternative monitoring of the project activity?	PS para 284
4.1.2 Conservativeness	Does the revised PDD detail that assumptions or discount factors used for GHG emission reductions calculations do not lead to over-estimation of emission reductions?	PS para 287



4.2 Validation report		
4.2.1 Confirmation that changes are listed in Appendix 1	Does the DOE confirm that the changes do not require prior approval of the Board and the provisions of Appendix 1 of Project Standard apply to those changes?	VVS para 289, 312
5. Changes to the project design of a registered project activity (only types of changes described in Appendix 1 to the Project standard)		
5.1 Revised PDD		
5.1.1 Description of changes	Does the revised PDD contain a description of the nature and extent of the proposed or actual changes to the project design of the registered project activity?	PS para 288, 289 (a)-(e)
5.1.2 Impact	Does the revised PDD provide a summary of impacts of the proposed or actual changes to the registered CDM project activity regarding: a) the applicability and application of the applied methodology and, where applicable, the applied standardized baseline under which the project activity has been registered; b) compliance of the monitoring plan with the applied methodology and, where applicable, the applied standardized baseline; c) the level of accuracy and completeness in the monitoring of the project activity; d) the additionality of the project activity; e) the scale of the project activity.	PS para 292
5.1.3 Additionality	Does the revised PDD provide details on the effect of the changes on the project additionality or the additionality criteria identified in the applied standardized baseline?	PS para 294, 295
5.2 Validation report		
5.2.1 Confirmation that changes are listed in Appendix 1	Does the DOE confirm that the changes do not require prior approval of the Board and the provisions of Appendix 1 of Project Standard apply to those changes?	VVS para 289, 317
5.2.2 Description of the changes	Does the validation report describe the nature and extent of the actual changes, determine whether this description accurately reflects the implementation, operation and monitoring of the modified project activity?	VVS para 318, 326 (a)
5.2.3 Reasons for the changes	Does the validation report contain an assessment on when the changes occurred, reasons for those changes taking place, whether the changes would have been known prior to registration of the project activity, and how the changes would impact the overall operation/ability of the project activity to deliver emission reductions as stated in the PDD?	VVS para 326 (b)



5.2.4 On-site visit	Has the DOE conducted an on-site visit and assessed the impacts of the actual changes on the compliance of the monitoring plan, the level of accuracy of the monitoring activity, the monitoring methodology and tools and/or, where applicable, the applied standardized baseline?	VVS para 319
5.2.5 Additionality, scale, applicability and application	Does the validation report contain an assessment on whether the changes do not adversely impact the conclusion of the validation report in respect of (i) additionality of the project activity (ii) scale of the project activity (iii) applicability and application of approved baseline methodology and, where applicable, the applied standardized baseline under which the project has been registered; (iv) the compliance of the monitoring plan with the applied monitoring methodology and, where applicable, the applied standardized baseline; or (v) the level of accuracy of the monitoring compared with the requirements contained in the reported monitoring plan?	VVS para 320, 326 (c)
INFORMATION AND REPORTING CHECK CHECKLIST - ISSUANCE		
6. Monitoring Report		
6.1 Implementation status	Does the monitoring report contain the implementation status of the project activity (including brief description of the installed technology, technical processes and equipment, relevant dates of project activity e.g. date of construction, commissioning, continued operation periods, etc.) during the monitoring period under consideration? For project activities that consist of more than one site, monitoring report shall describe the status of implementation and start date of operation for each site. For project activities with phased implementation, monitoring report shall describe the progress of the project activity achieved in each phase.	PS para 244
6.2 Prior approval of post-registration changes	Does the monitoring report indicate whether any request for prior approval by the Board of changes to the registered CDM project activity has been submitted and if applicable, the date of approval?	PS para 245
6.3 Monitoring systems/procedures	Does the monitoring report contain description of the monitoring systems, quality assurance and quality control system employed by the project activity, data collection procedures (information flow including data generation, aggregation, recording, calculation and reporting), organizational structure, roles and responsibilities of personnel, emergency procedures for the monitoring system and line diagrams showing all relevant monitoring points?	PS para 246
6.4 Data and parameters	Does the monitoring report contain the values of all parameters used to calculate baseline, project and leakage emissions as well as other parameters required by the applied methodology and the registered monitoring plan? Does the monitoring report contain information on how data and parameters have been monitored?	PS para 247, 248 (a) (c) (d) (e) (f)



6.5 Equipment used to monitor	Does the monitoring report describe the equipment used to monitor each parameter including details on accuracy class and calibration information (frequency, dates of calibration and validity) as specified by the monitoring methodology and the monitoring plan?	PS para 248 (b)
6.6 Factors and default values	Does the monitoring report contain information about appropriate emission factors, IPCC default values, and any other reference values used in the calculation of emission reductions?	PS para 248 (g)
6.7 Sampling	If data and parameters monitored have been determined by sampling approach, does the monitoring report describe how the sampling has been conducted in accordance with the sampling plan in the registered PDD?	PS para 249
6.8 Temporary deviations or permanent changes from the registered monitoring plan or applied methodology	Does the monitoring report contain reference whether any request for temporary deviations or permanent changes from the registered monitoring plan, applied methodology or applied standardized baseline has been submitted, and if applicable, the date of approval?	PS para 250
6.9 Standardized baseline	For project activities using an approved standardized baseline that standardizes baseline emissions, does the monitoring report apply the most conservative value(s) of the parameter(s) in accordance with provisions of the Project standard?	PS para 251, 252
6.10 Calculations	Does the monitoring report contain calculations of baseline emissions, project emissions, leakage (if any), and emission reductions, including reference to formulae and methods used?	PS para 253
6.11 Monitoring period starting before 21/12/2012	If the monitoring period starts before 31/12/2012, does the monitoring report calculate emission reductions or removals base on a pro-rate approach in accordance with the provisions of the Project standard?	PS para 254
6.12 Monitoring report covering first date of renewed crediting period	If the monitoring report covers the first date of the renewed crediting period and the notification of the intention to renew the crediting period has been delayed, does the monitoring report determine the first day in which CER are claimed in accordance with the Project cycle procedure?	PS para 255
6.13 Comparison of CERs	Does the monitoring report contain a comparison of the actual CERs claimed in the monitoring period with the estimate in the PDD, and explanation on any significant increase, including all information (i.e. data or parameters) that is different from that stated in the registered PDD?	PS para 256, 257
7. Spreadsheet		
7.1 Parameters	Does the spreadsheet contain all parameters required to be monitored and reported at the intervals required by the monitoring plan and the applied methodology?	



7.2 Formulae	Does the spreadsheet contain the formulae of calculation that are shown in the spreadsheet cells whenever possible?	
7.3 Explanation	Does the spreadsheet contain any other explanation with regard to application of formulae in the spreadsheet?	
8. Verification and certification report		
8.1 Implementation status and phased-implementation delay	Does the verification and certification report describe the implementation status of the project? (For project activities that consist of more than one site, the report shall clearly describe the status of implementation and starting date of operation for each site. For CDM project activities with phased implementation, the report shall state the progress of the proposed CDM project activity achieved in each phase under verification). In case if there is a phased-implementation delay, the report shall describe the reasons and present the expected implementation dates.	VVS para 385 (a)
8.2 Actual operation	Does the verification and certification report describe the actual operation of the project activity?	VVS para 385 (b)
8.3 Different data and variables compared to registered PDD	Does the verification and certification report provide information on (data and variables) in the monitoring report that is different from the registered PDD or any approved revised PDD, and has caused an increase in estimates of the emission reductions in the current monitoring period or is highly likely to increase the estimates of emission reductions in the future monitoring periods?	VVS para 385 (c)
8.4 Increase in actual GHG emission reductions	Does the verification and certification report provide an opinion on the cause of any increase of the actual GHG emission reductions in the current monitoring period?	VVS para 385 (d)
8.5 Monitoring plan	Does the verification and certification report state that the monitoring plan is in accordance with the approved methodology and, where applicable, the approved standardized baseline applied by the registered CDM project activity or an approved revised PDD?	VVS para 388
8.6 Monitoring activities	Does the verification and certification report state whether monitoring has been carried out in accordance with the registered monitoring plan?	VVS para 392
8.7 Parameters and conclusion	Does the verification and certification report list each parameter required by the monitoring plan and state how the DOE verified the information flow (from data generation, aggregation, to recording, calculation and reporting) for these parameters including the values in the monitoring reports? Does the verification report provide a statement on how the values in the monitoring report have been verified?	VVS para 393, 409 (e)



8.8 Calibration	Does the verification and certification report contain information whether the calibration of measuring equipments is conducted at a frequency specified by the methodology, the standardized baseline and/or the registered monitoring plan?	VVS para 400
8.9 Missing data	Does the verification and certification report contain an indication whether data were not available because activity levels or non-activity parameters were not monitored in accordance with the registered monitoring plan? In such cases, does the verification report detail the actions taken by the DOE to ensure that the most conservative assumption theoretically possible has been made?	VVS para 403 (a)
8.10 Cross-checking data	Does the verification and certification report provide a description of how the DOE cross-checked reported data?	VVS para 403 (b)
8.11 Calculation of emission reductions	Does the verification and certification report confirm that appropriate methods and formulae for calculating baseline emissions, project emissions and leakage have been followed? Does the verification report provide a conclusion on the verified amount of emission reductions achieved?	VVS para 403 (c), 409 (j)
8.12 Justification of assumptions	Does the verification and certification report provide an opinion as to whether assumptions, emission factors and default values that were applied in the calculations have been justified?	VVS para 403 (d)
8.13 Pro-rata approach	Does the verification and certification report confirm that the pro-rata approach was correctly applied to the calculations of the emission reductions, if the monitoring period starts before 31 December 2012 and ends anytime thereafter?	VVS para 403 (e)
8.14 First day of renewed crediting period	Does the verification and certification report confirm that the first day in which CERs are being claimed has been correctly specified, if the current monitoring period covers the first day of the renewed crediting period?	VVS para 403 (f)
8.15 Process, scope and conclusion	Does the verification and certification report provide a summary of the verification process, the scope of verification and the conclusion?	VVS para 409 (a)
8.16 Verification team	Does the verification and certification report provide details of the verification team, technical experts, internal reviewers (e.g. name, function, etc.)? Does the verification report provide information on quality control within the team and in the verification process?	VVS para 409 (b) and (i)
8.17 Findings of desk review, on-site visit and sampling approach	Does the verification and certification report provide the findings of the desk review, on-site visit and sampling approach? Where the DOE applied a sampling approach to on-site inspection, does the verification report describe how the sample size was determined and field check carried out?	VVS para 409 (c)



8.18 Findings and conclusion	Does the verification and certification report contain information on the applied approaches, findings and conclusions as to the requirements related to: i) Compliance of the monitoring report with the monitoring report form; ii) compliance of the project implementation with the registered PDD; (iii) Compliance of the registered monitoring plan with the monitoring methodology including applicable tool(s) and the standardized baseline; (iv) compliance of monitoring activities with the registered monitoring plan (v) compliance with the calibration frequency requirements for measuring instruments (vi) assessment of data and calculation of emission reductions	VVS para 409 (d)
8.19 Post Registration Changes	Does the verification and certification report provide a statement on whether post-registration changes to the registered PDD have been approved by the Board or will be submitted together with the request for issuance?	VVS para 409 (f)
8.20 CARs / FARs	Does the verification and certification report provide an assessment and close-out of any CARs, CLs or FARs issued to the project participants? If appropriate, does the verification report provide an assessment of remaining issues from the previous verification period?	VVS para 409 (g) (h)
8.21 Amount of emission reductions	Does the verification and certification report provide a conclusion on the verified amount of emission reductions achieved?	VVS para 409 (j)
8.22 Materiality	Does the verification and certification report contain information on the application, where appropriate, of the concept of materiality in planning and conducting the verification?	VVS para 410
8.23 Monitoring information	Does the verification and certification report certify that the verified amount of emission reductions achieved by the project activity during the monitoring period corresponds to that requested for issuance?	VVS para 412

Appendix 1 - Request for Issuance: Information and Reporting Check Issues of an Editorial Nature*

The table below lists “issues of an editorial nature” for which the secretariat may request the DOE to submit the missing or revised documents and/or information in accordance with paragraph 231 of the PCP.

Item	Description of the Item
1.	Any issue of an editorial nature that is not picked at completeness check stage



2.	Typographical errors in the Monitoring Report (MR) or Verification Report (VR)
3.	Start date of operation missing in MR/VR, except for the first request for issuance and projects with phased implementation
4.	Organisation/management structure missing in MR
5.	Verification report does not include the reporting of parameters at frequency required by monitoring plan or the applied methodology

* This list is not exhaustive and will be revised as and when required. The secretariat may contact the Designated Operational Entity/Project Participant on any issues of an editorial nature that are not included in the list above.

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