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Mr. Lambert Schneider
Chair
CDM Executive Board
Bonn, Germany

Dear Sir,

Subject: Proposed Standardized Baseline applying measure 3, Methane Destruction

On behalf of the Government of Rwanda and its Designated National Authority (DNA), Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA), I am pleased to provide this certification, which forms part of the submission of a proposed standardized baseline for Rwanda developed by following the CDM Methodology ACM0001 "use of landfill gas".

The proposed standardized baseline applies measure 3 (methane destruction) of the above-mentioned methodology, and it applies to the waste treatment sector.

The DNA certifies that there are no regulations in place in Rwanda mandating the capture and/or destruction of any quantity or percentage of landfill gas.

The DNA certifies that there is no energy generation (electricity and/or heat) from methane captured in solid waste disposal sites in Rwanda. The degradable solid wastes from households are land-filled in selected sites (determined by the municipalities in 27

collaboration with Rwanda Utility Regulation Authority), a part of non-degradable wastes is exported in neighbouring countries and another part is recycled in Rwanda.

The DNA of Rwanda has followed and ensured compliance with the data quality objectives as described in the guidelines *"Quality assurance and quality control of data used in the establishment of standardized baselines"* (Annex 7, EB79)

The data quality objectives have been in met in the following manner:

1. Relevance: the DNA has included all legal requirements related to landfill gas capture and destruction or use in the country. The only existing regulations affecting landfill, i.e. the Guidelines on the management of waste disposal sites (RURA, 2009), Standard on Solid waste - Safe management for disposal sites - Guidelines, Standard on Solid waste - Handling, collection, transportation and disposal - Code of practice, Standard on Solid waste - Design for disposal sites - Guidelines (RSB, 2013), all give guidance for the establishment, maintenances and operation of solid waste disposal site in the country, and do not mandate for the utilisation of any capture LFG.
2. Completeness - the DNA has checked all national regulations relating to waste management, landfill gas management, through consulting Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA), Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA), Water and Sanitation Corporation Limited (WASAC Ltd), Rwanda Energy Group Limited (REG), Rwanda Standards Board (RSB) and City of Kigali.
3. Consistency - the DNA has ensured that key concepts and scopes are consistently applied.
4. Credibility - the DNA has collected the information from the national, regulation databases, and relevant authorities in the country: Director of Environmental Regulations and Pollution Control (REMA), Director of Generation & Transmission Development, Manager for Research and Development (REG), Director of Watsan (RURA), Environment and Sanitation Officers from WASAC and City of Kigali. The DNA has reached the stakeholders by sending emails and conducting face to face consultations (The DNA provides the list of the confirming institutions that the information being provided is correct and was shared).
5. Currentness - the DNA has collected the most recent information available and completed the analysis of the country's regulations within two years 25

before the submission of the proposed standardized baselines to the UNFCCC secretariat.

6. Accuracy - the DNA has cross-checked this information with the Rwanda Standards Board, Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA), Water and Sanitation Corporation Limited (WASAC Ltd) and the Department of Environmental and Pollution Control in REMA.
7. Objectivity - the DNA has cross-checked that there is no room for further interpretation on the legal requirements, and if any the interpretation is conducted in an impartial way.
8. Conservativeness -Not applicable if all the other data objectives are met.
9. Security - There was no confidential data collected during the development of the proposed standardized baseline.
10. Transparency - The proposed standardized baseline was shared with the key stakeholders (as they are listed in point 4).
11. Traceability - All data sources are listed, and sufficient information included so that they can be verified easily by a third party.

The DNA is also ready to respond to any queries or doubts that you may have regarding this submission.

In this way, the Government of Rwanda DNA looks forward to the approval of the proposed standardized baseline, to facilitate development of this type of CDM project activities in the country.

Please receive the assurances of my highest considerations.

Yours Sincerely,


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