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**Re.: PCP rules, their differential application on applicants requesting registration from CDM's severely underrepresented region**

Dear Mr. Admassie,

I would like to thank you for your communication of 18 June 2016, regarding Project 10258: Clinker Optimization in cement types production at Derba MIDROC cement plant. Your communication has been made available to the CDM Executive Board (the Board) in accordance with the relevant provision of the procedure for direct communication with stakeholders.<sup>1</sup>

As you have rightly pointed out in your first request, the information and reporting check (IRC) for your project indeed took longer than the 23 days prescribed in the CDM project cycle procedure (PCP) (version 09.0). Please accept our sincere apology for the delay in processing your request for registration. Kindly note that the time for completing the IRC process is subject to the complexity of the assessment. In some cases, the IRC process may be concluded earlier. The deadline for a Party involved or three Board members to trigger a request for review of the request for registration was correctly set to 1 June 2016; 1 June is 28 days from the date of publication of the request for registration (5 May 2016), in accordance with paragraph 90 of the PCP.

With regard to your second request, I would like to highlight to you that in accordance with paragraph 97(a) of the PCP, the secretariat notifies project participants or the coordinating/managing entity and the designated operational entity (DOE) commencement of review, only when review is requested by a Party involved or by at least three members of the Board. In your case, the last day of the 28-day period following the publication of the request for registration was 1 June 2016 and the secretariat sent notification of commencement of review the following day.

With regard to your third request, I would like to confirm that the secretariat received three individual requests for reviews from three members of the Board. These requests were received before 5 p.m. GMT of the last day of the 28-day period following the publication of the request for registration. Please note that, in accordance with paragraph 91 of the PCP, any request for review received is promptly made available to the Board. Other members of the Board may, therefore, choose to request a review for the same validation requirement(s) as another Board member.

With regard to your fourth request, please note that the Board will consider the request for registration in the context of the reasons for the request for review provided by three Board members in

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<sup>1</sup> [https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20150224183036545/eb\\_proc03.pdf](https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20150224183036545/eb_proc03.pdf)



the “CDM project activity/programme of activities registration request review form” (CDM-REGR-FORM), keeping in mind the CDM rules and regulations.

Thank you for contacting the Board with your requests.

Yours sincerely,



Rajesh Sethi  
Secretary to the CDM Executive Board