

CDM-PA10236-RULE01

Ruling note

Rationale for the rejection of PRC-10236-001

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1. The CDM-Executive Board decided to reject the proposed request for post-registration changes for CDM Project Activity 10236 on 13 December 2018, in accordance with the “CDM project cycle procedure for project activities” (PCP-PA), version 01.0, paragraphs 149. Further, in accordance with paragraph 150 of the PCP-PA, the ruling shall contain an explanation of the reasons and rationale for the final decision.

(a) The request for post-registration changes “PRC-10236-001: Sogamoso Hydroelectric Project”, proposed to:

- (i) not to monitor the parameters associated with the annual calculation of combined margin CO₂ emission factor for the national grid in year y ($EF_{grid,CM,y}$), as per the registered monitoring plan;
- (ii) instead of that, revise the monitoring plan to fix the $EF_{grid,CM,y}$ ex-ante for the whole first crediting period.

The DOE (ICONTEC) failed to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Procedures and the applicable Standard as mentioned in paragraph (b) below.

(b) The relevant requirements are:

- (i) CDM PS for project activities version 01.0, paragraph 239 states that “If the project participants are unable to implement the registered monitoring plan, or the monitoring would permanently deviate from the applied methodologies, and, where applicable, the applied standardized baselines, or other applied standards or tools, the project participants shall describe the nature and extent of the non-conforming monitoring in a revised PDD and the proposed alternative monitoring for the project activity.”.
- (ii) CDM PS for project activities version 01.0, paragraph 240 states that “The project participants shall apply conservative assumptions or discount factors to the calculations in the proposed alternative monitoring to the extent required to ensure that GHG emission reductions or net anthropogenic GHG removals will not be over-estimated as a result of the permanent change or deviation.”.

(c) The reasons and rationale for the final decisions are:

- (i) The project participant and the DOE failed to justify that the project participants are unable to implement the registered monitoring plan in line with paragraph 239 of CDM PS for project activities version 01.0;
- (ii) The DOE failed to provide specific opinion and evidence on how it has validated that GHG emission reductions would not be over-estimated as a result of the proposed revision of monitoring plan in line with paragraph 240 of CDM PS for project activities version 01.0, considering the revised approach for annual emission reductions implies an estimated increase of emission reductions.

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