

Stakeholder Communication Form

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This form shall be used for any CDM-related communication with the UNFCCC secretariat or the CDM Executive Board. All the questions are mandatory unless otherwise indicated.

The completed form and any supplemental documents shall be submitted electronically to cdm-info@unfccc.int, or via fax to +49-228-815-1999 or via post to: Sustainable Development Mechanism (SDM) Programme, UNFCCC secretariat, P.O. Box 260124, D-53153 Bonn, Germany.

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Section 1: Communication Header				
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Stakeholder Type: Consultant		If other:		
Please indicate from whom you would like to get an answer.				
This communication is addressed to ¹ : Chair of CDM Executive Board (normal track)				
SECTION 2: PROJECT ACTIVITY OR PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES (POA)				
If this communication refers to a specific CDM project activity/PoA, please answer questions in this section (otherwise proceed to Section 3).				
Project/PoA Ref. Number	5-digit# format 01234	If applicable, CPA Ref. Number: 8-digit# format 0123-4567		
Project Cycle Stage	[Choose an item]	If other:		
If there is no specific CDM Reference Number, please answer the remaining questions in this section (otherwise proceed to Section 3).				
Host Country(ies)				
Project/PoA Title				
Technology Type	[Choose an item]	If other:		
Section 3: Your Communication				
Title/Subject Maximum 250 characters	Suggestion of extending the currently valid deadlline for the submission of requests of renewal of crediting period for CDM project activities and component project activities (CPAs) (of which crediting period have expired prior or on 30/09/2019)			
Communication Text Include background, details, and conclusion (unlimited length)	We at UniCarbo - Energia e Biogás Ltda. (UniCarbo) act as CDM consultancy/advisory service providers (with special focus in initiatives/project activities (PAs) promoting renewable energy and collection, destruction and/or utilization of landfill gas (LFG) and other types of biogas). Like other practitioners of the CDM, in December/2019 we were very thankful with the decision of the CDM Executive Board (CDM-EB) on its 105th meeting (EB 105) of extending to 30/09/2020 the previously agreed 31/12/2019 deadline for the submission of requests of renewal of crediting period for project activities (PAs) and component project activities (CPAs) (of which crediting period has expired prior or on 30/09/2019 (i.e. "overdue cases").			

¹ In accordance with the "*Procedure: Direct communication with stakeholders"* (version 02.0), stakeholders may address communications either (a) to the secretariat, in order to seek a fast-track technical or operational explanation regarding the implementation of existing CDM rules, or (b) to the CDM Executive Board, in order to communicate to the Board their views on CDM rules and their implementation, or to seek official clarifications of CDM rules.

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	In our particular case, this decision directly resulted on the successful submission requests of renewal of crediting period of 3 project ctivities (submissions that would not meet the previously defined deadline of 30/12/2019) and proceed with related tasks for the renewal of crediting period of other additional project activities (in light of new deadline of 30/09/2020). We however respectfully bring to the attention of Board that due (i) to all travelling and business related restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and also due to (ii) perceived limited available working resources from DOEs willing to perform validation assessments for renewal of crediting periods for project activities located in the regions we normally perform our activities; and budgeting restrictions caused by the economic crisis brought by the pandemic; we are unfortunately facing severe challenge on successfully meeting the 30/09/2020 deadline for submission of renewal of crediting periods in the particular case of a set of different registered project activities.
	Based on received feedback from other CDM practitioners, we also perceived that there are other PAs/CPAs that are also under severe risk of not meeting the 30/09/2020 deadline due to reasons which are similar to ours.
	Although the Board has recently agreed to relax mandatory site visits by DOEs for a period of three months (23/03/2020 to 23/06/2020) because of COVID-19, we hereby call attention that in most of the cases, for completing documentation (i.e. elaboration of updated PDDs/ CPA-DDs) and/or performing tasks which are required for the process of renewing the crediting period of a typical CDM PA / CPA (e.g. confirming project implementation status, addressing monitoring issues, deriving baseline scenarios, addressing post-registration changes, etc.), travelling to project sites are often required to be performed or by our team or by collaborators of companies to which we offer our services prior to having a selected DOE initiating any CDM validation assessment of renewal of crediting period. Due to these aspects, UniCarbo's on-going time plan for renewal of crediting periods of different PAs and CPAs was negatively affected. Moreover, in some specific cases, we could not meet time plans previously agreed with DOEs for initiating related validation assessment because completing updated PDDs/CPA-DDs on-time was not possible due to restrictions caused by the above-summarized reasons.
	In light of all these circumstances, we would like to suggest to the Board to consider having the currently valid and above referred deadline of 30/09/2020 being extended. A decision in this direction would definitely contribute for the successful continuation of different PAs / CPAs (from which project participants and Coordinating Managing Entities (CMEs) and related CDM consultants/advisors are struggling on meeting a deadline that unfortunately seems not to be achievable due to a pandemic that is sadly affecting all of us worldwide).
Supplemental Documents If applicable, list the title(s) of any attached file(s) or link(s)	
This communication may be made public	Yes

Document information

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