



## Stakeholder Communication Form (Version 01.0)

*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](mailto: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.*

### SECTION 1: COMMUNICATION HEADER

*Please provide your contact information.*

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**Stakeholder Type:** CDM Coordinating/Managing Entity (CME)                      If other:

*Please indicate from whom you would like to get an answer.*

**This communication is addressed to<sup>1</sup>:** 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**                      NA                      If applicable, CPA Ref. Number: NA  
*5-digit# format 01234*                      *8-digit# format 0123-4567*

**Project Cycle Stage**                      [Choose an item]                      If other: NA

*If there is no specific CDM Reference Number, please answer the remaining questions in this section (otherwise proceed to Section 3).*

**Host Country(ies)**                      NA

**Project/PoA Title**                      NA

**Technology Type**                      [Choose an item]                      If other: NA

### SECTION 3: YOUR COMMUNICATION

**Title/Subject**  
*Maximum 250 characters*                      Assessment of Additionality at the time of renewal of PoA Period

**Communication Text**  
*Include background, details, and conclusion (unlimited length)*

Dear Sir, Ma'am,  
According to §285 of the CDM project standard for programmes of activities; version 02.0 "For renewal of the PoA period of a registered CDM PoA, the coordinating/managing entity is not required to reassess the additionality of the PoA nor update the section of the PoA-DD relating to additionality.

However §284 (a) of Project Standard for PoA, version 02.0 requires the CME to update the sections of the PoA-DD, including its generic CPA-DD part, relating to the eligibility criteria for inclusion of CPAs in the PoA using "valid version of the methodologies and methodological tools applied in the registered PoA-DD, that is, the latest version at the time of the submission of the request for renewal of PoA period".

<sup>1</sup> 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.

	<p>We therefore request clarification on whether the additionality of the PoA is to be reassessed according to the latest version of the applied tool at the time of PoA period renewal or the CME is required only to update the version of applicable methodologies and methodological tools without reassessing the additionality section (even in the eligibility criteria section of the registered PoA).</p> <p>If the answer to former question (revise additionality of PoA DD at the time of period renewal) is yes and for a case where PoA does not meet the applicability of the methodological tool that was applied at the time of registration (or thereafter through PRC), because of update to latest version of the methodological tool, then Project Standard for PoA, version 02; §284 states</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. select other applicable methodology (284 (c) i) OR</li> <li>2. Request deviation in the methodology or methodological tool (284 (c) ii).</li> </ol> <p>As additionality tool falls under the category of methodological tool; hence option (1) is not available (as it only talks about methodology) therefore the only option that's available with the CME is to request deviation from the current version of applicable methodological tool (related to additionality). In doing so, is the CME then required to seek deviation in the methodological tool so that post deviation in the tool, the methodological tool and the additionality as well as the eligibility criteria with respect to the additionality of the PoA seeking period renewal are in compliance with each other.</p> <p>Further if reassessment of additionality is required at the time of PoA period renewal as a result of change in the valid version of applied additionality tool, then in addition to not complying with §285 of Project Standard for PoA; version 02.0, it would also not comply with §385 of the CDM validation verification standard for PoA; version 02.0; according to which "If the coordinating/managing entity selected another methodology, methodological tool and/or standardized baseline for the purpose of renewal of PoA period due to the inapplicability of the valid version of the methodology (including a consolidated methodology thereof), methodological tool and/or standardized baseline applied to the registered PoA-DD, the DOE shall assess whether the updated PoA-DD complies with all the requirements of the selected methodology, methodological tool and/or standardized baseline except for additionality demonstration."</p> <p>In view of the above write-up, we seek your guidance on whether the CME is required or not to reassess the additionality based on latest version of the methodological tool as we are currently working on a number of PoA renewals and are facing the issue of assessing/not assessing the additionality section for each one of them.</p>
<p><b>Supplemental Documents</b> <i>If applicable, list the title(s) of any attached file(s) or link(s)</i></p>	<p>NA</p>
<p><b>This communication may be made public</b></p>	<p>Yes</p>

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### Document information

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01.0	02 March 2015	<p>This form supersedes and replaces the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F-CDM-RtB: <i>Form for submission of Letters to the Board</i> (version 01.2)</li> <li>• F-CDM-RtB-DOE: <i>Form for communication on policy issues initiated by AEs/DOEs</i> (version 01.1)</li> <li>• CDM-RtB-DNA: <i>Form for communication on policy issues initiated by DNAs</i> (version 01.1)</li> </ul>

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