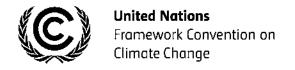
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- 1. The CDM-Executive Board decided to reject the proposed request for issuance for CDM project activity 9791 for the monitoring period 25 January 2016 31 December 2018 on 7 April 2021, in accordance with the "CDM project cycle procedure for project activities" (PCP-PA), version 02.0, paragraphs 239. Further, in accordance with paragraph 249 of the PCP-PA, the ruling shall contain an explanation of the reasons and rationale for the final decision, which are as follows:
 - (a) The DOE (LGAI Tech. Center S.A.) failed to justify the displacement of the baseline non-renewable woody biomass (e.g. 56,217 tonnes in year 2015/2016) with the monitored quantity of project renewable biomass (e.g. 3,401 tonnes in year 2015/2016) in accordance with paragraph 14 of AMS I.E version 5.
 - (b) The relevant requirement is:

The applied methodology AMS I.E, version 5, paragraph 14 states "Monitoring should confirm the displacement or substitution of the non-renewable woody biomass at each location. In the case of appliances switching to renewable biomass the quantity of renewable biomass used shall be monitored.".

- (c) The reasons and rationale for the final decisions are:
 - (i) The higher calorific value of the renewable briquettes and higher stove efficiency of the ICS (amount up to an 81% reduction of fuel usage) cannot justify the complete displacement of baseline non-renewable woody biomass claimed for emission reductions (e.g. in year 2015/2016, 56,217 tonnes baseline woody biomass against 3,401 tonnes of project renewable biomass monitored by the project participant);
 - (ii) Although the DOE has referred other testing reports, however the DOE failed to verify any scientific/technical factor which could justify the replacement ratio between baseline fuel usage and project fuel usage (i.e. ranging from 8.2 to 24.3) in those testing reports;
 - (iii) The DOE did not verify the project participant's argument about "behavioral qualitative improvements", and in particular how it could translate into reduction of fuel usage only under project scenario.
- 2. Please note that in accordance with paragraph 256 of the PCP-PA, the DOE may resubmit the request for issuance with revised documentation if the reasons for the rejection can be addressed by means of a revised verification report, based on a revised monitoring report as appropriate.

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