



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, 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

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Stakeholder Type: Consultant If other:

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

This communication is addressed to¹: 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 Request for voluntary cancellation of provisional CERs for non-compliance markets
Maximum 250 characters

Communication Text Dear EB Board
Include background, details, and conclusion (unlimited length)
We are writing to you to in light of the upcoming, 114th CDM Executive Board (EB) Meeting, scheduled to take place in May 2022. We would be grateful if you could relay our request as follows:

We would like to request that the EB consider an application to facilitate the voluntary cancellation of provisional Certified emission reductions (CERs), for use and retirement in non-compliance markets. We note that the EB has supported the use of CERs in the voluntary market, starting as early as 2012, through the launch of the online platform for the voluntary cancellation launched in September 2015, as well as ongoing efforts. We also note that, to date, around 115 million CERs have been cancelled via this route, of which about 5 million came through the Climate Neutral Now

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.

	<p>platform.</p> <p>Our concern is that the delays in operationalising the Article 6.4 Mechanism pose material risks to the use of CERs in the voluntary market, and the underlying projects that provide offsets or credits into these markets. These realities will have detrimental socio-economic impacts in the respective local economies and will also reduce the ability to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, at the required rate, to achieve the Paris Agreement's 1.5° C goal.</p> <p>We recognise the challenges in operationalising the Article 6.4 Mechanism as well as the current efforts to achieve the end-goal, which is the implementation of a new, effective mechanism. We however appeal to you to recognise the challenges that these delays have caused to various national markets and market players and, most importantly, to climate mitigation.</p> <p>We therefore would like to propose that the UN consider the following interim measure, to mitigate the negative impacts resulting from delayed operationalisation of the Article 6.4 Mechanism: Provide for the voluntary cancellation of "provisional" CERs, i.e. those CERs with a vintage of 2021+, for specific use in the voluntary market.</p> <p>These measures will assist project developers continue the operations of their carbon credit projects, while the CDM transitions to the new Article 6.4 Mechanism.</p> <p>We understand the need for the "provisional" classification of CERs in respect to mechanisms related to the Kyoto Protocol. We however note that the use of CERs in the voluntary market are not linked to the Kyoto Protocol. The environmental integrity of the CDM guarantees that the objectives of the voluntary market are maintained. In this regard, we believe that the voluntary cancellation of "provisional" CERs should still be allowed.</p> <p>Looking forward to hearing back from you,</p> <p>Best regards Olivia</p>
<p>Supplemental Documents <i>If applicable, list the title(s) of any attached file(s) or link(s)</i></p>	
<p>This communication may be made public</p>	Yes

Document information

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