

CDM-PA8872-RULE01

Ruling note

Rationale for the rejection of PRC-8872-001

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1. The CDM-Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) decided to reject the proposed request for post-registration changes for CDM Project Activity (PA) 8872 on 2 June 2022, at its one hundred fourteen meeting, in accordance with the “CDM project cycle procedure for project activities” (PCP-PA), ver. 03.0, paragraphs 144 and 153. Further, in accordance with paragraph 154 of the PCP-PA ver. 03.0, the ruling shall contain an explanation of the reasons and rationale for the final decision, which are as follows:
 - (a) The request for post-registration changes for PA 8872 “PRC-8872-001: Rongnichu Hydroelectric Project (RHEP), India”, proposed to change the start date of crediting period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2020 (along with other changes).
 - (b) The DOE (LGAI Technological Center, S.A.) failed to follow the provisions as outlined under paragraph 130 of PCP-PA ver. 03.0, as required by VVS-PA ver. 03.0 paragraph 277, regarding the process for approval or notification of post-registration change to change the start date of the crediting period and CDM-EB114-A01-CLAR: “Clarification: Post-registration change to the start date of the crediting period”.
 - (c) The relevant requirements are:
 - (i) PCP-PA (ver. 03.0) paragraph 130 states - “For the changes referred to in paragraph 128(b)(ii) above, if the change is up to one year (up to two years for a registered CDM project activity hosted by a least developed country), the project participants are not required to prepare a revised PDD and request approval by the Board of the change, but shall notify the secretariat, by e-mail through a dedicated e-mail address, of the change. The secretariat shall indicate the change and the date of notification on the project view page of the relevant registered CDM project activity accordingly. If the change is more than one year (more than two years for a registered CDM project activity hosted by a least developed country), the DOE shall submit a request for approval by the Board of the change in accordance with paragraph 131 below. The change may be allowed only once for each registered CDM project activity;
 - (ii) VVS-PA (ver. 03.0) paragraph 277 states - “If the DOE determines that the proposed or actual post-registration changes to the registered CDM project activity do not comply with the relevant CDM rules and requirements, the DOE shall issue a negative validation opinion”;
 - (iii) CDM-EB114-A01-CLAR: “Clarification: Post-registration change to the start date of the crediting period” states – “The Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board) considered the requirements in paragraph 130 of the “Clean development mechanism project cycle procedure for project activities” (PCP-PA) (version 03.0) (CDM-EB93-A06-PROC) regarding the process for approval or notification of post-registration change to change the start date of the crediting period. The Board clarifies that, for a post-registration change to delay the start date of the crediting period of a registered CDM activity, the

request for approval of such post-registration change, may only be submitted before the expiry of the first crediting period.

- (d) The reason and rationale for the final decision is:
- (i) The request for post-registration changes to change the start date of crediting period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2020 was submitted on 31/12/2021 and after the expiry of the first crediting period for the project activity (01/01/2014 – 31/12/2020), therefore considered not in line with paragraph 130 of PCP-PA ver. 03.0, as required by VVS-PA ver. 03.0 paragraph 277 and the clarification issued by the Board at its one hundred fourteen meeting (CDM-EB114-A01-CLAR).

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