

ADMINISTRATIVE RULING NO. 533, OF AUGUST 29, 2000

THE STATE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, pursuant to the authority vested in him, decides to:

Art. 1. Make public the Rules of Procedure of the Interministerial Commission on Global Climate Change, created by Decree of July 7, 1999, which were approved in the meeting of the Commission held on April 17, 2000 and are attached herewith.

Art. 2. This administrative ruling shall come into force on the date of its publication.

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RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE INTERMINISTERIAL COMMISSION ON GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

CHAPTER I PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION

Art. 1. The purpose of the Interministerial Commission on Global Climate Change, created by Decree of July 7, 1999, is to articulate actions at government level to implement the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its subsidiary instruments in which Brazil takes part.

CHAPTER II COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION

Art. 2. The Commission shall be composed of representatives from the following bodies:

- a) Ministry of External Relations;
- b) Ministry of Agriculture and Supply;
- c) Ministry of Transports;
- d) Ministry of Mines and Energy;
- e) Ministry of Planning, Budgeting and Management;
- f) Ministry of Environment;
- g) Ministry of Science and Technology;
- h) Ministry of Development, Industry and External Commerce;
- i) Civil Office of the Presidency of the Republic;

First paragraph. The State Minister of Science and Technology shall be the president of the Commission.

Second paragraph. The State Minister of Environment shall be the vice-president of the Commission, performing the president's duties during the president's absence.

Third paragraph. The office holders of the bodies composing the commission shall indicate their representatives and alternate representatives, which will be designated by the State Minister of Science and Technology.

Fourth paragraph. Upon vacancy of the position of any member referred to in the previous paragraph, another member shall be indicated by the office holders of the bodies represented in the Commission.

Fifth paragraph. The Ministry of Science and Technology shall serve as the Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Commission and shall provide technical and administrative support to the work of the Commission.

CHAPTER III ATTRIBUTIONS

Art. 3. The attributions of the Interministerial Commission are:

I - to provide statements, whenever requested, on proposals for sectoral policies, legal instruments and norms that contain a relevant component for the mitigation of global climate change and the country's adaptation to its impacts;

II - to provide inputs on the government's positions in the negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its subsidiary instruments in which Brazil takes part;

III - to define eligibility criteria additional to those considered by the bodies of the Convention in charge of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), as provided for in Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, pursuant to national sustainable development strategies;

IV - to analyze statements on projects that result in emission reductions and that are considered eligible to the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), as provided for in Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and approve them, when appropriate;

V - to cooperate with entities of the civil society to promote actions by governmental and private bodies in the implementation of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its subsidiary instruments in which Brazil takes part;

VI - to approve its rules of procedure.

CHAPTER IV MEETINGS

Art. 4. The Commission shall meet ordinarily every two months and extraordinarily as necessary.

First paragraph. The ordinary meetings shall be convened according to the schedule approved by the Commission.

Second paragraph. The extraordinary meetings shall be convened by the president at least 10 days in advance.

Art. 5. The call for the meeting of the Commission shall include the agenda and the documents referring to the issues to be considered.

Sole paragraph. The agenda and the documents referred to in the **caput** shall be defined by the president of the Commission with the assistance of the vice-president.

Art. 6. Decisions of the Commission shall be taken upon approval by 2/3 (two-thirds) of the members present, by means of a resolution.

Art. 7. The Commission may establish working groups of definite duration to consider specific issues, and may also invite, with the same objective, individuals with recognized knowledge in their fields of expertise.

Art 8. The Commission may, at any time, count with the collaboration of public or private bodies and entities of the civil society to perform its functions.

Art 9. The representatives of the bodies composing the Commission shall serve in a coordinate way and shall provide the Executive Secretariat with information relative to their fields of competence.

CHAPTER V EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

Art 10. The Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Commission on Global Climate Change shall:

I - make the arrangements for the meetings of the Commission and prepare the minutes of the meetings, forwarding them to the representatives;

II - coordinate and oversee actions undertaken in compliance with decisions and guidelines adopted by the Commission;

III - perform the functions delegated by the Commission;

IV - implement the decisions of the Commission regarding consultations to public and private bodies and entities of the civil society in order to comply with Brazil's commitments under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and its instruments in which Brazil takes part;

V - prepare statements on each project activity that is a candidate to emission reduction certification, from the point of view of the estimated reduction of such emissions and its impact on the long run, as provided for in Art. 12 of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

CHAPTER VI FINAL PROVISIONS

Art. 8. Questions and disputes arising from the application of these rules of procedure shall be settled by the Commission.

Art. 9. These rules of procedure, once approved by the Commission, shall come into force on the date of their publication, by means of an act by the Minister of Science and Technology.

