



**CLEAN DEVELOPMENT MECHANISM
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**SECTION A. General description of project activity****A.1 Title of the project activity:**

Alto-Tiete landfill gas capture project

A.2. Description of the project activity:

The Project activity aims to extract the landfill gas (LFG) produced at the *Itaquaquecetuba* municipal landfill by means of using a gas collection and gas flaring system. In contrast to the project activity, the baseline scenario shows a landfill operating only with a passive ventilation system.

The implementation of the project activity foresees the interconnection of the current and future vertical drains ended up by a gas pumping equipment through aerial horizontal tubing. At this point two torches will be installed in order to burn the extracted gases. Through this process, the oxidation of the methane generates H₂O and CO₂ gases that will be monitored, measured and controlled directly on site. Finally, the income generated from the CER sales will make possible to eliminate the barriers preventing the implementation of this project.

The landfill is currently operated by the *Empreiteira Pajoan Ltd*, (hereafter referred to as *Pajoan Ltd*) a private landfill operator company. The landfill was the second private site licensed in the State of Sao Paulo, attending around 1,670,000 inhabitants and providing high quality waste management services.

The Alto-Tiete landfill was opened on March 2000 and was designed to manage waste type class 2, 3 (non-hazardous waste). The waste disposition area is of 500,000 m² from a total surface of 884,000 m², being 2,319 m² of constructed areas, were now is central office and the area for equipments storage. Currently, the landfill receives around 600,000 tones of waste per year (1,500 tonnes/day) from the metropolitan area of *Sao Paulo*. All the physical treatment for the leachate is inside the project. It does not exist any industrial activity outside the project boundary.

The release of landfill gas at the baseline scenario brings negative impacts to the quality of the environment and to the health of the local inhabitants, also increasing risks of explosions. Furthermore the *Alto-Tiete* project can be seen in association with a large program of rationalization and management of urban waste collection, initiated by the *Itaquaquecetuba* municipality and its influence area, to manage the growing development of the local economy. The project activity will improve the waste handling and waste management of many small municipalities, industries and commercial establishments within the *São Paulo* State.

In addition to its efforts in reducing the levels of GHG emissions, the project activity promotes local sustainable development as it foresees the creation of jobs in different fields associated with the project activity operation (i.e., garbage selection, flare operations and waste management) and the further possibility of energy generation from a renewable source.

Moreover, the project activity will strength the already in place social responsibility programs, such as environmental education, construction of sport facilities, afforestation activities (tropical forest conservation) and reforestation with native species. The already ongoing reforestation plan covers an area of 55,400 m² and makes use of native species coming from a sampling nursery built at the landfill premises. The native species produced are also distributed for use at local schools and green public areas.

**A.3. Project participants:**

Name of the Party involved	Private and/or public entity (ies) project participants	Kindly indicate if the Party involved wishes to be considered as project participant
UK	<i>BGC International</i>	No
Brazil (Host Country)	<i>EMPREITEIRA PAJOAN LTDA.</i>	No

The contact for the CDM project activity is *Ecologica Assessoria Ltda.* All contact details are included in Annex 5.

A.4. Technical description of the project activity:**A.4.1. Location of the project activity:**

The landfill is located at the Municipality of *Itaquaquecetuba*, northeast of *Sao Paulo* State, in the *Alto Tiete* Region.

A.4.1.1. Host Party(ies):

Brazil.

A.4.1.2. Region/State/Province etc.:

Sao Paulo State. Southeast Brazil.

A.4.1.3. City/Town/Community etc:

Itaquaquecetuba.

A.4.1.4. Detail of physical location, including information allowing the unique identification of this project activity (maximum one page):

Avda Nossa Senhora das Graças, 599, Jardim Pinheirinho, Itaquaquecetuba/SP, Brazil, ZIP: 08589-140. The geographical coordinates are Latitude South: 23°26'00'' and 23°26'20'', Longitude West: 46°17'30'' and 46°17'45''.

A.4.2. Category(ies) of project activity:

The sectoral scope for the project activity is Waste handling and disposal (Sectoral number 13).

A.4.3. Technology to be employed by the project activity:

The LFG is composed primarily of carbon dioxide and methane and, in minor degree of additional trace constituents such as hydrogen sulphide, mercaptans, vinyl chloride, and numerous other non methanolic volatile organic compounds (NVOCs). The production of LFG is a consequence of a methanogenesis reaction influenced by the composition and moisture of the waste present at the landfill, the absence of



oxygen and toxics, a relatively neutral waste moisture pH, 6.7 - 7.2, and an appropriate internal temperature.

At the first phase, the project activity begins with the installation of a gas collection and flaring system (enclosed flares) through a network of pipes connected to the wellheads at the already ongoing cells. The second phase foresees the infrastructure of the gas extraction and flaring system at the new cells in parallel to the waste disposal.

The gas collection system will mainly be composed by the following elements:

- Vertical progressive drains to extract gas made on PVC perforated material. The drains are equipped with gas sensors (sampling points) to monitor the LFG flux and quality in order to analyse the trace gases.
- Horizontal drains (HDPE type) are installed each 4 meters high to maximize the extraction efficiency; the project activity forecasts an intensive use of these horizontal wells on the shallow areas to increase gas yields and to reduce the number of wells required for proper gas pumping.

The pipes used for the gas network system (HDPE) are placed down on slope downwards to the water-collection points. By doing so, the condensate can be drained away by gravity. Attached to the vertical progressive drain, a sampling point will regulate and monitor the LFG passing through.

The LFG must be condensed and stored on the lowest collecting points for further decantation and pumping. At the flare point, the combustion temperature is controlled to achieve a value range from 700°C to 1,000°C during 0.3 seconds of retention time for 50% methane content on the landfill gas. Eventually the enclosed flare must allow a homogeneous temperature distribution across the combustion chamber at the flare.

The monitoring and control equipment will optimize the LFG pressure, volume and temperature at the flare inlet for the best burning efficiency (98%). According to the Brazilian environmental regulations on flaring gas emissions, the flare operation must ensure that emissions on carbon monoxide (CO), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and unburned hydrocarbons are kept under standard values.

Since the landfill gas extraction and management is not compulsory in Brazil, many landfill components are not present at the Brazilian market, such as control and monitoring equipment, LFG treatment and high efficient flare. However, local technology for the project activity will be used, where possible. The latter applies for the components used on the vertical/horizontal drains, gas network and pumps which are made in Brazil.

A.4.4. Brief explanation of how the anthropogenic emissions of anthropogenic greenhouse gas (GHGs) by sources are to be reduced by the proposed CDM project activity, including why the emission reductions would not occur in the absence of the proposed project activity, taking into account national and/or sectoral policies and circumstances:

According to the National Inventory of Greenhouse Effect Gas Emission conducted by CETESB¹ in 1994, Brazil has more than 6,000 garbage dumping sites that receive more than 60,000 tons of garbage per day.

¹ CETESB (Environmental and Sanitation Company of the São Paulo State)



Related to the same study, the 76% of the total waste amount produced currently in Brazil is disposed in unmanaged "dumping sites", 12% on basic landfills, 10% on controlled landfills (sanitary landfills) and 2% on other disposal ways. Moreover, the ABETRE (Brazilian Association for Waste Treatment) estimates nearly 3 millions tonnes of industrial waste are disposed on uncontrolled dump sites and only the 20% are disposed under some technical regulations. Overall figures show that 84% of methane emissions in Brazil are from unmanaged waste dumpsites.

The figures on table 1 below show the final destination of the waste in Brazil.

Final waste destination	Percentage	Source
Open Dump	76 %	CETESB ²
Controlled landfill	12 %	CETESB
Sanitary landfill	10 %	CETESB

Table 1: Final waste deposition in Brazil.

The current Brazilian legislation does not require an efficient treatment of the LFG generated besides gas venting (passive ventilation). In spite of the guidelines provided by the Brazilian Association of Technical Norms (ABNT), there are no binding regulations for the technical conditions of LFG recovery systems in Brazil.

The baseline scenario shows the atmospheric release of the LFG gas with no regulations and/or contractual requirements governing the landfill gas emissions. For the Alto-Tiete landfill, the baseline scenario represents a basic LFG ventilation system currently ongoing under no basic flaring at the wellhead. In opposite, the project activity foresees, as defined on section E, a total GHGs (green house gases) emissions reduction of 1,657,885 tonnes of CO₂equ.

A.4.4.1. Estimated amount of emission reductions over the chosen crediting period:

Year	Annual estimation of emission reductions in tonnes of CO ₂ equ
2007	160,078
2008	186,127
2009	211,761
2010	237,123
2011	262,348
2012	287,561
2013	312,884
Total estimated reductions (tCO₂ equ.)	1,657,885 tCO₂equ.
Total number of crediting years	7
Annual average over the crediting period of estimated reductions (tonnes of CO₂ equ.)	236,840

Table 2: Estimated amount of emission reductions over the chosen crediting period.

A.4.5. Public funding of the project activity:

No public financing for the project activity.

² Methane emissions from waste treatment and waste disposal in Brazil, MCT.

**SECTION B. Application of a baseline methodology****B.1. Title and reference of the approved baseline methodology applied to the project activity:**

The approved baseline methodology AM0011 Version 2: “Landfill gas recovery with electricity generation and no capture or destruction of methane in the baseline scenario”. The project activity relates to the sectoral scope “Waste handling and disposal”.

B.1.1. Justification of the choice of the methodology and why it is applicable to the project activity:

This methodology is applicable to landfill gas capture and electricity generation project activities where the baseline scenario is the partial atmospheric release of the gas with no regulations and/or contractual requirements governing the landfill gas emissions. As stated at the methodology AM0011, sectoral scope number 13, the methodology foresees the use of the captured gas directly for flaring.

B.2. Description of how the methodology is applied in the context of the project activity:

The baseline scenario relates to the waste management activities currently ongoing on the Alto-Tiete landfill operated by the project developer, *Pajoan Ltd*. The sanitary landfill currently serves a total population of 1,500,000 inhabitants, gathering the cities of *Arujá, Carapicuíba, Ferraz de Vasconcelos, Itaquaquecetuba, Mairipora, Mogi das Cruzes, Poá, Suzano* and *São Paulo* (only commercial waste).

The core business of *Pajoan* is the control and management of the waste disposition of municipal and commercial waste in an environmental sustainable way. No hazardous waste material is on place, in compliance with the Brazilian technical standard 10-0004 for such landfill type.

Under this scenario the company operates a landfill based on a simple landfill gas venting system that releases the LFG generated as a consequence of the anaerobic decomposition of the waste. The Alto-Tiete landfill covers an approximate surface of 500.000 m² and sanitary cells of 5 meters depth with a bottom covered by a PVC coating to avoid leachate leakage into the freatic layers.

The leachate is being treated by a sanitary service provider, *SABESP*³. Furthermore, a processing plant (aerobic lagoon) was implemented with the following characteristics:

1. Sludge sedimentation and blending.
2. Physic-Chemical treatment stage.
3. Biological (bacterial) treatment stage, aerobic treatment (lagoon).
4. Water free sludge decantation.
5. Decanted water goes to treatment plant for recycling.
6. Recycled water is returned to the natural watercourse (local stream course, *Taboãozinho*).

³ São Paulo state sanitation company www.sabesp.com.br



Moreover, a waste recycling facility is being finalized. Operations are scheduled to start on the 1st semester 2006. Estimated operation foresees equipment covering the 10% of the daily waste in (1,500 tonnes/day).

In opposition to the business as usual scenario (BAU), the project activity will capture and flare the landfill gas through forced gas exhaustion. Both scenarios above are covered and defined under the applicability of the AM0011 methodology.

On Table 3, project data relating to the baseline scenario.

Variable	Units	Definition	Value	Data Source
k	(1/yr)	Methane generation rate	0.09	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
L_0	m ³ /Mg	Methane generation potential	132.5	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
MCF	--	Methane correction factor	1	IPCC/ <i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
$R_{x,y}$	Mg	Daily waste in at the landfill	1,500	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
O_d	Year	Opening date of the landfill	2000	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
C_d	Year	Closing date of the landfill	2020	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
FE	%	Flaring efficiency	98	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
EE	%	Extraction efficiency	70	<i>Pajoan Ltd</i>
F	--	Fraction of CH ₄ in landfill gas	0.5	IPCC

Table 3. Key project variables and data used to determine the baseline scenario.

B.3. Description of how the anthropogenic emissions of GHG by sources are reduced below those that would have occurred in the absence of the registered CDM project activity:

This chapter is constructed based on the document: “Annex 1 – Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality” as defined from the Sixteenth Meeting of the Executive Board.

“Step 0. Preliminary screening based on the starting date of the project activity”

According to the operation and environmental licenses the landfill operates without an active landfill gas system extraction. The project activity foresees the project implementation before the starting of the first crediting period.

“Step 1. Identification of alternatives to the project activity consistent with current laws and regulations.”

The Brazilian Association for Waste treatment, Recycling and Management (ABETRE) states that no legislation will/may be prescribed in the future obliging LFG flaring within the next 10 years in Brazil⁴. Therefore there are no current specific regulations governing LFG flaring and it is not expected to have any regulation within the near future.

“Sub-step 1a. Define alternatives to the project activity”.

Definition of possible/potential alternatives to the project activity:

ALTERNATIVE 1
Continuation of the current situation

⁴ The letter was sent by ABETRE to ONYX relating the CDM project “Projeto Onyx de Recuperação de Gás de Aterro” approved the 9th September of 2005 by the Brazilian DNA. (<http://www.mct.gov.br/clima/cigmc/projaprov.htm>)

**Business as usual in Brazil**

This scenario defines the business as usual in Brazil. The current regulations oblige passive venting in order to avoid potential risk of explosion. Under this scenario, the project developer would continue to use a venting system for safety reasons as conformed by the regulations.

ALTERNATIVE 2**The proposed project activity not undertaken as a CDM project activity****Landfill gas is extracted and flared, with no use or energy generation.**

Under this alternative, *Pajoan Ltd* will invest on the implementation of a gas collection, flaring and monitoring system. The technology to be employed presents the following characteristics:

- Use of a collection piping system, installed to convey the landfill gas from the well network to the blower/flare/evaporator station.
- Use of a leachate evaporator (EVAP), which uses landfill gas as a fuel/heat source to evaporate leachate collected from the lined disposal areas.
- Use of an enclosed flare that serves as an after burner to assure the thermal destruction of NVOC's (Non volatile organic compounds) and to control odours.
- Use of a control system to outfit flare and evaporator with an automatic safety and monitoring controls of the waste disposal and of the GHGs, such as CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, NO_x and CO gases.

The total investment for the project activity is estimated on USD 5,302,178. The investment would not have any financial return. Under the current Brazilian legislation for landfill gas management this scenario has no advantages for the landfill operator and is not economically feasible.

ALTERNATIVE 3**Credible alternatives to the project activity that deliver outputs and on services
LFG commercial use off-site**

Upgrading the landfill from the current scenario (passive venting) into a natural gas producer scenario will face high investment cost for the gas capture and treatment phase. Therefore, the project is economically and technically not interesting for the project developer.

ALTERNATIVE 4**Credible alternatives to the project activity that deliver outputs and on services****Landfill gas is extracted for energy generation**

The landfill gas will be captured and flared for commercial purposes (energy generation). This option foresees the installation of an electric generation system based on LFG. Moreover an electrical transformer of 12,5kVA will be necessary to step up the energy generated for the local transmission lines, specially built for the project.

However the high investment cost surrounding the landfill gas treatment stage (gas quantity and quality) brings the generation cost into uncompetitive market prices. Moreover, the fact that the energy generation is not on the core business of the landfill operator and the uncertainty to secure a fare selling price for the energy results on a high risk and unprofitable activity. It would represent a non attractive option for the landfill operator.

Sub-step 1b. Enforcement of applicable laws and regulations:

There is no landfill gas extraction and/or flaring system on site, only a passive ventilation system attending all applicable legal requirements and therefore all its necessary licenses in date. Potential



alterations in the possible future of the baseline will be followed by the monitoring plan elaborated for the project.

As stated at A.4.4, there are no specific laws governing LFG mitigation in Brazil. Nevertheless local environmental agencies at state level are acting towards closing rubbish dumps and forcing municipalities and industries to give proper destination to the waste generated through concessions to private entities. In all cases, however, active collection and flaring of the landfill gas has never been enforced by law.

Therefore, from the analysis of all possible alternatives in “Step 1”, the continuation of the current situation (Alternative 1) is the most probable scenario for the baseline.

Step 2. Investment analysis.

Option I. Simple cost analysis is chosen.

Sub-step 2b – Option I. Simple cost analysis.

The Alto-Tiete landfill has currently no LFG flaring system installed. The installation of a LFG capture and flaring system, even an undeveloped one, would require costs for the landfill operator with no sort of financial compensation. On table 4 below, the costs associated with the CDM project activity are specified.

The investment costs for the LFG collection system are proportional to the landfill surface, cell dimensions, waste volume and the landfill topography.

BIOGAS CAPTURE AND FLARING IMPLEMENTATION COST					
Item #		Description	Amount	Unit	Total (US\$)
1	Invoice for projects and environmental license				
	1.1	Civil works and Environmental license	1.00	--	219,106.05
	Sub-total				219,106.05
2	Gas drain and gas capture				
	2.1	Auxiliary vertical drains	2,000.00	meters	394,390.88
	2.2	Primary network	3,000.00	meters	736,472.39
	2.3	Secondary network	8,000.00	meters	1,456,617.00
	Sub-total				2,587,480.28
3	Gas management				
	3.1	Gas collection point	1.00	unit	394,531.11
	3.2	Gas filter	3.00	unit	975,638.91
	3.3	Civil works	1.00	--	170,744.96
	Sub-total				1,540,914.99
4	Gas flaring				
	4.1	Decantation network	500.00	meters	106,890.89
	4.2	Burners	2.00	un	847,785.28
	Sub-total				954,676.16
Total (US\$): 5.302,178					

Table 4. Cost related to the CDM project activity.

Under this scenario (investment with no financial returns) the project activity produces no economic benefits and therefore is not financially attractive without the CDM revenue stream (as defined on *Sub-step 2b*).

**Step 4. Common practice analysis*****Sub-step 4a. Analyze other activities similar to the proposed project activity.***

There is not a similar project activity implemented previously or currently underway (other than CDM project activities) in Brazil.

Sub-step 4b. Discuss any similar options that are occurring.

No similar activities as the project activity are carried out in Brazil out of the CDM.

Step 5. Impact of CDM registration

As stated previously, the project activity is different from the BAU scenario and will not be implemented without the incentives derived from the CDM project activity. Thus, the major impact will be the project replicability and the technology transfer.

As result of the previous analysis, it may be concluded that the project activity would lead to substantial reduction in anthropogenic greenhouse gas emission and, without such a potential, no Annex 1 company would be interested in investing in this project. Therefore it may be concluded that the project activity is additional and the baseline scenario is the passive LFG venting.

B.4. Description of how the definition of the project boundary related to the baseline methodology selected is applied to the project activity:

No energy generation and/or landfill gas capture for commercial purposes is considered under the project activity scenario. The project boundary for the project activity takes place at the Alto-Tiete landfill where the gas is captured (gas network operation) and LFG destroyed (gas flaring facilities). Below at table 5 shows further details on the project boundary.

	Emissions	Gas	Project Boundary	Justification
On-site	Flare equipment	CO ₂	Excluded	CO ₂ and N ₂ O emissions from the methane combustion are sourced from biomass source; emissions can be defined as zero
		N ₂ O	Excluded	
	Fugitive emissions	CH ₄	Excluded	The fugitive emissions are present in the baseline scenario and the project activity.
Off-site	Waste-in transport Emissions	CO ₂	Excluded	Emissions volume are not affected by the project activity
		N ₂ O	Excluded	
	Leachate transport Emissions	CO ₂	Excluded	Emissions not affected by the CDM project implementation
		N ₂ O	Excluded	



	Electrical Grid	CO ₂	Excluded	Less than 0.1 ⁵ %
		N ₂ O	Excluded	Excluded for simplification

Table 5: Gases excluded from the project boundary.

B.5. Details of baseline information, including the date of completion of the baseline study and the name of person (s)/entity (ies) determining the baseline:

The baseline study for the Alto-Tiete landfill gas project was completed on 21/02/2006 by Ecologica Assessoria, which is not a project participant. Below, the name of person and entity determining the baseline:

Name of person/Organization	Project Participant
Alejandro Bango Ecologica Assessoria Ltda. São Paulo, Brazil. Tel: +55 11 5083 3252 Fax: +55 11 5083 8442 e-mail: alejandro@ecologica.ws	NO

⁵ Example based on a 30 KW diesel extraction pump, 30% efficiency and 74.1 t CO₂/TJ. Under these conditions, the emissions from the project activity will be around than 0.3 tons CO₂e/year or less than 0.1% of the total emissions reductions. Moreover, for the extraction pump the energy will be directly sourced from the electrical grid, which has a lower emissions factor than a pump based on diesel.

**SECTION C. Duration of the project activity / Crediting period****C.1 Duration of the project activity:****C.1.1. Starting date of the project activity:**

01/09/2006

C.1.2. Expected operational lifetime of the project activity:

21 years – 0m.

C.2 Choice of the crediting period and related information:

The CDM project activity will use a renewable crediting period.

C.2.1. Renewable crediting period**C.2.1.1. Starting date of the first crediting period:**

01/01/2007

C.2.1.2. Length of the first crediting period:

7 years – 0m

C.2.2. Fixed crediting period:**C.2.2.1. Starting date:**

Not applicable.

C.2.2.2. Length:

Not applicable.

**SECTION D. Application of a monitoring methodology and plan****D.1. Name and reference of approved monitoring methodology applied to the project activity:**

Approved monitoring methodology AM0011 Version 02; “Landfill gas recovery with electricity generation and no capture or destruction of methane in the baseline scenario”

D.2. Justification of the choice of the methodology and why it is applicable to the project activity:

The monitoring methodology AM0011 is applicable for project activities that reduce greenhouse gas emissions through landfill gas capture and destruction of the methane by evaporation of leachate, generation of electricity and/or flaring. The monitoring plan at the Alto-Tiete landfill foresees the direct measurement of the amount of landfill gas destroyed (flared) where the two main variables to account are the quantity of methane flared ($MD_{flared,y}$) and the percentage of landfill gas that is methane (%).

D.2. 1. Option 1: Monitoring of the emissions in the project scenario and the baseline scenario

Not applicable. The LFG emissions and the emissions reduced are directly monitored and measured at the project site.

D.2.1.2. Description of formulae used to estimate project emissions (for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions units of CO₂ equ.)

Not applicable.

D.2.1.3. Relevant data necessary for determining the baseline of anthropogenic emissions by sources of GHGs within the project boundary and how such data will be collected and archived :

ID number	Data variable	Source of data	Data unit	Measured calculated estimated	Recording frequency	Proportion of data to be monitored	How will the data be archived?	Comment
<i>D.2.1.3.1</i>	<i>Landfill Waste</i>	<i>Waste disposal</i>	<i>Metric tonnes</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>Continuous</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>Daily: paper Monthly: electronic</i>	<i>Measured at weight bridge</i>

D.2.1.4. Description of formulae used to estimate baseline emissions (for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions units of CO₂ equ.)

Not applicable.

D. 2.2. Option 2: Direct monitoring of emission reductions from the project activity (values should be consistent with those in section E).

**D.2.2.1. Data to be collected in order to monitor emissions from the project activity, and how this data will be archived:**

ID number		Data variable	Data Source	Data unit	Measured, calculated or estimated	Recording frequency	Proportion of data to be monitored	How will the data be archived?	For how long is archived data kept?	Comment
D.2.2.1.1	LFG total,y	Total amount of landfill gas captured from project wells	Flow meter	Nm ³	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured by a flow meter. Data to be aggregated monthly and yearly.
D.2.2.1.2	LFG flared,y	Total amount of landfill gas flared	PLC-Electronic device.	m ³	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured by a flow meter. Data to be aggregated monthly and yearly.
D.2.2.1.3	FE	Combustion efficiency	--	%	m/c	semi-annually, monthly if unstable	n/a	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after.	(1) Periodic measurement of methane content of flare exhaust gas. (2) Continuous measurement of operation time of flare (e.g. with temperature).
D.2.2.1.4	WCH ₄ y	Methane fraction in the landfill gas	Analyzer	m ³ CH ₄ /m ³ LFG	m	quarterly	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured by continuous gas quality analyzer.
D.2.2.1.5	T	Temperature of the landfill gas	Temperature sensor	°C	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured to determine the density of methane D _{CH₄} .
D.2.2.1.6	p	Pressure of the landfill gas.	--	Pa	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured to determine the pressure of methane D _{CH₄} .
D.2.2.1.7	T _{Flaring}	Combustion temperature	Sensor	°C	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured to control the flare operation
D.2.2.1.8	Flare _h	Flare working hours	--	hours	m	continuously	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured to determine the combustion efficiency..
D.2.2.1.9	KWh	Energy Demand	--	kWh	m	annually	100%	Electronic	During the crediting period and two years after	Measured to determine the demand of energy..

Table 6: Data to be monitored.



The Brazilian regulatory framework will also be monitored on an annual basis in order to confirm that the baseline scenario is still valid.

No increase in emissions outside the project boundary (leakage) is expected as a result of the project

D.2.2.2. Description of formulae used to calculate project emissions (for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions units of CO₂ equ.):

activity based under the AM0011 methodology, version 02, 30 September 2005.

D.2.3 Description of formulae used to estimate leakage (for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions units of CO₂ equ.)

Not applicable.

D.2.4. Description of formulae used to estimate emission reductions for the project activity (for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions units of CO₂ equ.)

The greenhouse gas emission reduction (ER_y) achieved by the project activity at the *Alto-Tiete* landfill during a given year is the amount of methane actually destroyed during the year ($MD_{flared,y}$) times the approved Global Warming Potential value for methane (GWP_{CH_4}).

$$ER_y = MD_{flared,y} * GWP_{CH_4}$$

Equation 1

ER_y is measured in tonnes of CO₂ equivalents (tCO₂ equ.). The approved Global Warming Potential value for the methane (GWP_{CH_4}) in the first commitment period is 21 tCO₂ equ/tCH₄.

$$MD_{flared,y} = CH_{4flared,y} + CH_{4leachate,y} + CH_{4electricity,y}$$

Equation 2

The $CH_{4flared,y}$, $CH_{4leachate,y}$ and $CH_{4electricity,y}$ are measured in cubic meters (m³) and determined by metering the volume of landfill gas used for each of these purposes and the methane concentration of the landfill gas. The volume of methane is then converted to tonnes of methane using the molecular weight and molecular volume of methane.

For the Project Design Document (PDD), (*ex ante*) emission reduction estimates are made by projecting the future greenhouse gas emissions of the landfill using a first order kinetic model. These estimates are for reference purposes only, since emission reductions will be determined (*ex post*) by metering of the quantity of methane captured and flared once the project activity is operational.

1. Baseline emissions.

Estimating baseline emissions from the *Alto-Tiete* landfill requires a kinetic approach. The IPCC advises a first order decay model to model the rate of CH₄ generation over time. Further derivation of the mathematical model allows also waste variances in annual acceptance rates.

$$Q_{T,x} = k R_x L_O e^{-k(T-x)}$$

Equation 3

Where:

$Q_{T,x}$ = the amount of methane generated in the current year (T) by the waste R_x

x = the year of waste input.



R_x = the amount of waste disposed in year x (Mg).

T = current year.

k = methane generation rate

L_0 = methane generation potential

The yearly waste input (R_x) at the landfill is as follows:

Year	Waste input (Tonnes)	Waste on place (Tonnes)	Data Source
2000	200,000	200,000	Pajoan Ltd
2001	350,000	550,000	Pajoan Ltd
2002	480,000	1,030,000	Pajoan Ltd
2003	540,000	1,570,000	Pajoan Ltd
2004	573,937	2,143,937	Pajoan Ltd
2005	602,633	2,746,570	Pajoan Ltd
2006	632,764	3,379,334	Pajoan Ltd
2007	664,402	4,043,736	Pajoan Ltd
2008	697,622	4,741,358	Pajoan Ltd
2009	732,503	5,473,861	Pajoan Ltd
2010	769,128	6,242,989	Pajoan Ltd
2011	807,584	7,050,573	Pajoan Ltd
2012	847,963	7,898,536	Pajoan Ltd
2013	889,150	8,787,686	Pajoan Ltd

Table 7: Waste input and on place disposal

In order to estimate the current emissions from waste placed in all years, Equation 3 can be solved for all values of R_x and the results summed.

Values for the Equation 3 above are sourced from the table 7 & 8.

Variable	Units	Definition	Value	Data Source
k	(1/yr)	Methane generation rate	0.09	Pajoan Ltd
L_0	m ³ / Mg	Methane generation potential	132.5	Pajoan Ltd

Table 8: Values of k and L_0 for equation 3

2. Methane destroyed/flared at the project activity ($MD_{flared,y}$)

The methane destroyed by the project activity ($MD_{flared,y}$) during a year is determined by the quantity of methane actually flared ($CH_{4flared,y}$). For the project activity, the values of $CH_{4leachate,y}$ and $CH_{4electricity,y}$ are equal to zero.

$$MD_{flared,y} = CH_{4flared,y} = LFG_{flared,y} * WCH_{4,y} * D_{CH_4} \quad \text{Equation 4}$$

Where $LFG_{flared,y}$ is the quantity of landfill gas currently flared at the flaring point per year and measured in cubic meters (m³), $WCH_{4,y}$ is the average methane fraction of the landfill gas as measured during the year and expressed as a fraction (in m³ CH₄ / m³ LFG), and D_{CH_4} is the methane density expressed in tonnes of methane per cubic meter of methane (tCH₄/m³CH₄). Values for the Equation 4 above are sourced from the table 9.



Variable	Units	Definition	Value	Data Source
$W_{CH_4,y}$	$m^3 CH_4 / m^3 LFG$	Average methane fraction of the landfill gas	0.5	IPCC
D_{CH_4}	tCH_4/m^3CH_4	Density of methane	0.0007168 ⁶	IPCC
FE	%	Flaring efficiency	98	Pajoan Ltd

Table 9: Values for the variables of equation 4.

Finally, for ex ante calculation, the $LFG_{flared,y}$ is calculated as result of the methane generated when extracted, treated and finally available at the flaring point as follows:

$$LFG_{flared,y} = FE * EE * Q_{T,x} \quad \text{Equation 5}$$

Where the value $Q_{T,x}$ represents the amount of methane generated in the current year (T), FE is the flare efficiency (the fraction of the methane destroyed at the flare) and EE is the extraction efficiency of LFG at the landfill for the project activity.

The ex post emission reduction calculation is described in detail in Annex 4 esp. equation 6.

Landfill designers and landfill operators consulted by *Ecologica Assessoria* recommends a conservative approach for the flaring efficiency of 98% and a 70% on the extraction efficiency of the LFG. It means that 31% of the LFG will be released as fugitive emissions within the project boundary.

D.3. Quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures undertaken for data monitored:

(Indicate table and ID number e.g. 3.-1.; 3.2.)	Uncertainty level of data	Explain QA/QC procedures planned for these data, or why such procedures are not necessary.
D. 2.1..1	Low	Waste is weighted before disposing.
D.2.2.1.1	Low	Flow meters should be subject to a regular maintenance and testing regime to ensure accuracy
D.2.2.1.2	Low	Flow meters should be subject to an annually maintenance and testing regime to ensure accuracy
D.2.2.1.3	Low	The flare is monthly checked and the flare efficiency is measured on a semi-annual bases to ensure optimal operation
D.2.2.1.4	Low	The gas sensor will be checked and tested to ensure accuracy
D.2.2.1.5	Low	The gas sensor will be checked and tested to ensure accuracy
D.2.2.1.6	Low	The gas sensor will be checked and tested to ensure accuracy
D.2.2.1.7	Low	The flaring temperature sensor will be checked to ensure a proper activity
D.2.2.1.8	Low	Regular maintenance will ensure optimal operation of flares. Flare activity will be checked continuously, with daily checks if the efficiency shows significant deviations from previous values.
D.2.2.1.9	Low	The electricity measurement will be checked and tested to ensure accuracy

⁶ At standard temperature and pressure (0 degree Celsius and 1,013 bar) the density of methane is 0.0007168 tCH₄/m³CH₄.

**D.4 Please describe the operational and management structure that the project operator will implement in order to monitor emission reductions and any leakage effects, generated by the project activity.**

The party responsible for implementing the monitoring plan shall be the landfill operation company *Pajoan Ltd*. The landfill operator will be also responsible for the day-to-day operation of the landfill gas monitoring, flaring and the party responsible for developing the data and registration forms for further classification.

1. Operational structure.

It will be based on daily monitoring of the LFG flow from the gas extraction stage to the landfill gas flaring. Continuous measurers of gas flow and flared gas meter will be installed along the landfill gas extraction network. The main purpose is the direct monitoring of any fugitive emissions and the empirical calculation of the landfill gas generated.

2. Monitoring follow-up process.

The project developer will directly monitor the data variable at the project site when possible or it will be otherwise carried out by a certified laboratory (on a quarterly basis). All data collected following the D.2.2.1 will be registered and transferred to electronic spreadsheets and/or other suitable electronic files.

The calibration certificates should be stored as paper copies and calibration data would be subject to quality control procedures as described in Section D.3 (Quality control and Quality assurance) The management structure will also ensure that the monitoring equipment is perfectly equilibrated based on the INMETRO standards (Brazilian institute for metrology and calibration).

Following an internal audit of the collected data carried out by the Project developer, the electronic data would be verified by an independent Designated Operational Entity (DOE), on an annual basis. The DOE would issue a verification report based on the data sheets to calculate emissions reductions.

3. The management structure.

The landfill operator will be responsible for training of the monitoring and operation staff with the help of the equipment manufactures. Then, the technical team will manage the monitoring, quality control and the quality assessment procedures carried out at the landfill premises. Further detailed procedures for monitoring shall be developed during the final design of the facilities.

D.5 Name of person/entity determining the monitoring methodology:

Ecológica Assessoria Ltd (Brazil) is the entity determining the monitoring methodology and not taking part of the project activity as participant.

**SECTION E. Estimation of GHG emissions by sources****E.1. Estimate of GHG emissions by sources:**

As stated on B.4, for the *Alto-Tiete* landfill there is only one primary source of CO₂ emissions within the boundary of the project activity. The emissions are due to the use of electricity in extracting and pumping the landfill gas.

The emissions due to the project activity are likely to be lower than $< 0.1\%^7$ (< 241 tCO₂equ.) of the total project emissions, classified as “insignificant” for the project activity. Moreover the 30% of the baseline emissions are considered as a fugitive emissions or 725,022 tCO₂equ for the period of 2007-2013.

E.2. Estimated leakage:

No leakage effects need to be accounted under this methodology.

E.3. The sum of E.1 and E.2 representing the project activity emissions:

The sum of E.1 and E.2 results on the fugitive emissions described on E1.

⁷ Based on a diesel based pump system with 30kW. A diesel pump was considered for keeping conservative assumptions, however the emissions factor from the grid are less carbon intensive due to the high share of hydro power generation.

**E.4. Estimated anthropogenic emissions by sources of greenhouse gases of the baseline:**

The estimated emission reductions for each gas, source and formulae/algorithm due to the Project activity are presented at the table 10.

	LFG at baseline		CH ₄ at baseline & Flared				CO ₂ at baseline & reduced	
Variable	m ³ /hour	m ³ /year generated	LFG flared (m ³)	Fugitive emissions	Methane flared	CH ₄ Baseline	Fugitive emissions	Project emissions reduction
Parameter	(a)	(b) = (a) x 8760	(c) = (b) x EE x FE	(ton CH ₄ /year)	(ton/year)	(d) = (b) x D _{CH₄} x W _{CH₄}	(ton/year)	(tCO ₂ equ.) (e) = (d)x EE x FE * 21
Project activity emissions for the first crediting period								
2007	3,539	31,004,268	21,268,928	3,333	7,778	11,111	70,005	160,078
2008	4,115	36,049,415	24,729,899	3,876	9,044	12,920	81,396	186,127
2009	4,682	41,014,320	28,135,824	4,09	10,289	14,699	92,607	211,761
2010	5,242	45,926,490	31,505,572	4,938	11,522	16,460	103,698	237,123
2011	5,800	50,812,030	34,857,052	5,463	12,747	18,211	114,729	262,348
2012	6,357	55,695,379	38,207,030	5,988	13,972	19,961	125,755	287,561
2013	6,917	60,600,016	41,571,611	6,515	15,203	21,719	136,830	312,884
TOTAL	36,655	321,101 E06 m³	220,275 E06 m³	34,524 tCH₄	80,558 tCH₄	115,082 tCH₄	725,022 tCO₂equ.	1,657,885 tCO₂equ.

Table 10: Estimated emissions reductions for the gases due to the Project activity.

E.5. Difference between E.4 and E.3 representing the emission reductions of the project activity:

The graph below (Figure 1) shows an approximation on the LFG production (m³/h) throughout the project activity lifetime. The LFG at the baseline represents the gas volume generated at the baseline scenario, where the project activity represents the amount of the LFG actually captured and flared.

The difference between the curves is due to the technical limitations imposed on the landfill extraction and flaring. The amount of landfill technically available for flaring is around 70% of the total LFG generated, the 31% represents unavoidable fugitive emissions.

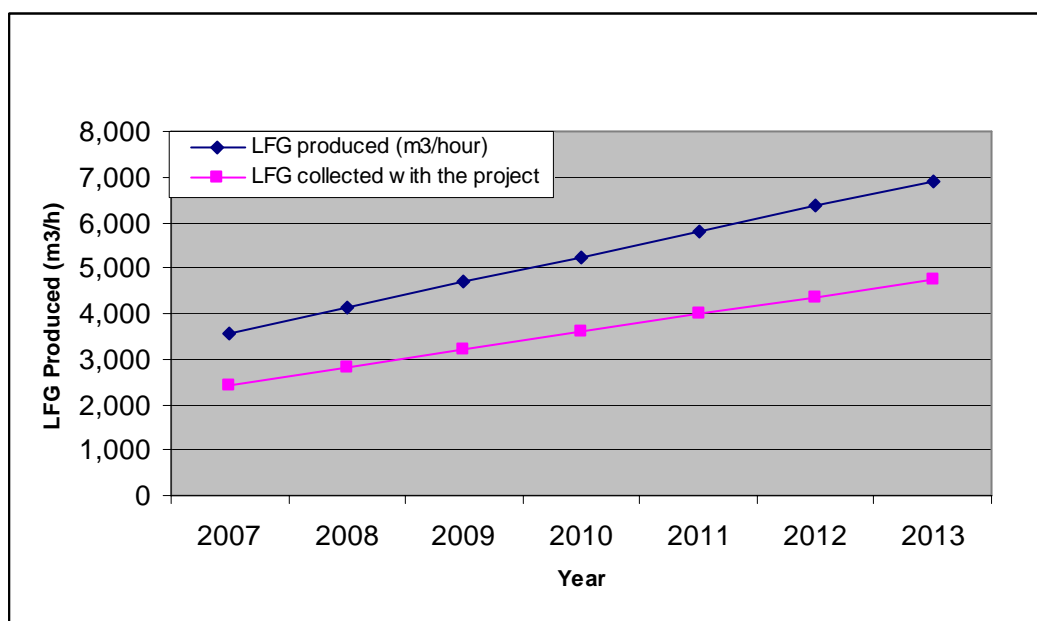


Figure 1. Amount of LFG and the estimative on baseline and the project.

E.6. Table providing values obtained when applying formulae above:

Year	Estimation of baseline emissions (tCO ₂ equ.)	Estimation of the fugitive emissions (tCO ₂ equ.)	Estimation of emission reductions (tCO ₂ equ.)	Estimated extraction efficiency (EE)	Data source
2007	230,083	70,005	160,078	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2008	267,523	81,396	186,127	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2009	304,368	92,607	211,761	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2010	340,821	103,698	237,123	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2011	377,077	114,729	262,348	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2012	413,316	125,755	287,561	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
2013	449,714	136,830	312,884	70 %	Pajoan Ltd
Total	2,382,902 tCO₂equ.	725,022 tCO₂equ.	1,657,885 tCO₂equ.	--	--

Table 11. Values obtained when applying formulae above.

**SECTION F. Environmental impacts****F.1. Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts:**

The project will extract and flare landfill gas, therefore improving the landfill management by reducing adverse global and local environmental effects of uncontrolled releases of landfill gas. The project activity shall start operation with all operation and the environmental licenses in compliance with local and national regulations.

Baseline scenario: LFG contains over 150 trace components that may cause: odour nuisances, stratospheric ozone layer depletion and in concentrated amounts leads to asphyxia and/or toxic effects in humans.

Project activity: The installation of a set of wells designated for gas collection and further flaring will lead into a daily monitoring (as stated at the monitoring plan) and proper landfill operation. The operation will remove safety risks from the surrounding communities by reducing the risks of toxic effects on the local community, freatic layers, watercourse pollution and odour nuisances.

The combustion of the LFG at the flare point will lead on the release of organic compounds and trace amounts of toxic materials, including mercury and dioxins.

Operation mitigation measures: A set of mitigation measures are defined during the operation of the project activity, i.e. concerning the noise of the flare and the mitigation of the NVOCs compounds present at the flare point, the project operator will follow local and national regulations and technical specifications defined by the ABNT (Brazilian technical standard association) for the project activity. The mitigation measures will be defined at the operation plan implemented by the project operator. Once the project activity is implemented, further studies and mitigation measures may be undertaken.

F.2. If environmental impacts are considered significant by the project participants or the host Party, please provide conclusions and all references to support documentation of an environmental impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the procedures as required by the host Party:

No significant negative impacts applicable.

**SECTION G. Stakeholders' comments****G.1. Brief description how comments by local stakeholders have been invited and compiled:**

According to the Resolution number 1 of the Brazilian Inter-Ministerial commission on Climate Change⁸, invitations for comments by local stakeholders are required by the Brazilian Designated National Authority (DNA) as part of the procedures for analyzing CDM projects and issuing letters of approval.

The DNA required project participants to communicate with the public through letters, to be sent inviting for comments to:

- The Brazilian national NGO's forum.
- The local attorneys' and prosecutors' agency.
- The municipality's chamber (mayor and assembly men).
- State's and municipal's environmental authorities.
- Local communities' associations.

As defined by the Designated National Authority (DNA), the project developer sent information letters to the key institutions, describing the major aspects of the implementation and operation of the proposed project. The project participant should leave 30 days opened for comments. The letters were distributed by *Pajoan Ltd* via mail to the key institutions (see table 12, below).

⁸ Issued on December 2nd of the 2003, decree from July 7th 1999.



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Public Ministry of the State of São Paulo	Ministry	115 Riachuelo Street, Center São Paulo	(11) 3119-9015	--	web-master@mp.sp.gov.br
Itaquaquecetuba City Hall	City Hall	283, Ver. João Fernandes da Silva Avenue	(11) 4640-1000	Armando Tavares	--
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Geological Institute	Governmental Organization	3900, Miguel Estéfano Avenue, Água Funda, São Paulo, ZIP Code: 04301-903	(11) 5077-1155	--	igeologico@igeologico.sp.gov.br
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Mogi das Cruzes City Hall	City Hall	277, Vereador Narciso Yague Guimaraes Avenue, ZIP Code: 08780-000	(11) 4798-5000	Jungi Abe	gabinete@pmmc.com.br
Health Secretariat of Mogi das Cruzes	Public Secretariat	277, Vereador Narciso Yague Guimaraes Avenue, ZIP Code: 08780-000	(11) 4795-4500	Cláudio Miyake	saude@pmmc.com.br
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Health Secretariat of Suzano	Public Secretariat	179, Baruel Street, Vila Costa, ZIP Code: 08675-902	--	Célia Bortoletto	saude@suzano.sp.gov.br
Arujá City Hall	City Hall	90, José Basilio Alvarenga Street, Vila Flora Regina	(11) 4652-7600	Genésio da Silva	--
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Health Secretariat of Arujá	Public Secretariat	231, Pedro Severino Martins Street	(11) 4655-2871	Messias Covre	--
Health Secretariat of Carapicuíba	Public Secretariat	1304, President Tancredo Neves Street	(11) 4167-9116	--	--

Table 12. Participants entities



G.2. Summary of the comments received:

No comments have been received.

G.3. Report on how due account was taken of any comments received:

Not applicable, as no comments were received.

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ANNEX 2 INFORMATION REGARDING PUBLIC FUNDING

There are no public financing for the project.

**ANNEX 3 BASELINE INFORMATION**

The fraction of the organic compounds presented in the waste for the project activity is defined as 64.4 %. Based on the Brazilian study about methane emissions from waste treatment and waste disposal, the estimative is that for the mayor part of the waste disposal, the 80% comes from domestical waste where almost 60% is composed of organic waste.

Landfill	Location	% Total of commercial and waste Disposal	% Organic Waste
Bandeirantes	São Paulo	75	55
Biguaçu	Florianópolis	95	60
Caximba	Curitiba	80	65
Goiânia	Goiânia	90	High
Joinville	Joinville	70	50 - 60
Lara	Mauá	72	65
Zona Norte	Porto Alegre	66	60

Table 13: Percentage of organic waste presented at the waste. Data Source: USAID, 1997.

Below, the parameters and data sources used to determine the baseline for the project activity. The key elements such as variables and parameters are provided below. The tables 14 and 15 show the values for the parameters used for the LFG emissions estimation.

PROJECT ACTIVITY MAIN INFORMATION	
Alto-Tietê landfill project specifications	
Year when operations started	2000
Year when flaring starts	2006
R=daily average deposition (t/day)	1,500
Lo (m ³ / Mg)	132.5
k (1/year)	0.09
Methane Global Warming Potential	21
% of Methane in landfill gas	50 %

Table 14: Alto-Tietê landfill project specifications

Fraction of Degradable Organic Carbon (DOC)		
Waste type	Value	Data Source
Paper & Cardboard	14.40 %	Pajoan Ltd
Plastics	12 %	Pajoan Ltd
Aluminum, other metallic compounds	3.2 %	Pajoan Ltd
Organic waste	64.4 %	Pajoan Ltd
Glass	1.1 %	Pajoan Ltd
Others	4.9 %	Pajoan Ltd

Table 15: Fraction of degradable organic carbon

For the Alto-Tietê landfill to gas project the type of weather is humid and the waste decomposition occurs under rapid degradation conditions. For the LFG estimation purposes the k value was defined, conservatively speaking, as of 0.09 (1/year). The Lo factor depends directly to the waste composition as well as the site physical conditions. The values here adopted for Lo are defined as 132.5 m³/Mg of waste for the year 2006.

The old landfill site close to the new one is not considered in the project activity.



Photo 1: Alto-Tiete landfill entrance.



Photo 2: Alto-Tiete landfill top view.

ANNEX 4 MONITORING METHODOLOGY

The Monitoring plan is based on the approved monitoring methodology AM0011, “Landfill gas recovery with electricity generation and no capture or destruction of methane in the baseline scenario”. The monitoring methodology is based on direct measurement of the amount of landfill gas used to evaporate leachate, to generate electricity and/or flared. For the project activity, the methodology is applicable to the baseline scenario where the release of the landfill gas is based on passive ventilation systems with no legal obligations regarding landfill gas destruction and where the project activity is the partial flaring/destruction of the landfill gas.

The monitoring plan for the project activity and the Quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures are based on the AM0011. The monitoring plan provides for continuous measurement of the quantity and quality of LFG flared and the quality control and quality assurance procedures are needed to ensure consistency on monitoring equipment and the data collected.

1. Monitoring Process

Below, the monitoring plan defines a set of parameters in order to calculate the main project activity variables. The methane destroyed by the project activity during a year is determined by the quantity of methane actually flared ($CH_{4flared,y}$) and determined by monitoring the:

- Amount of landfill gas (m^3) used for that purpose using a continuous flow meter and monitoring temperature and pressure.
- Percentage of landfill gas that is methane (%) - using a continuous analyzer).

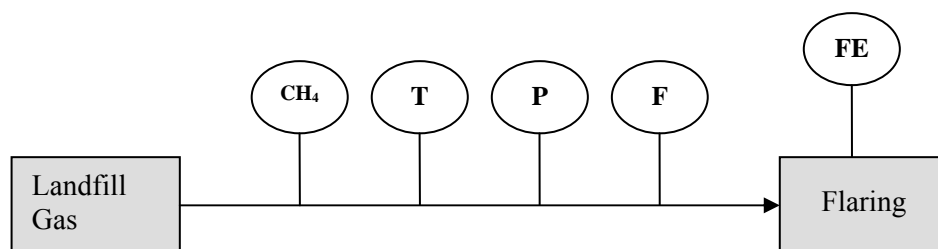


Figure 2. Monitoring plan scheme for the Alto-Tiete landfill to gas project.

At the figure 2, the landfill gas flows through the gas network up to the flaring point where the monitoring equipment is placed. Several sensors are placed on-line to the gas pipeline in order to measure continuous gas flows. For the project activity, the fraction of methane in the landfill gas ($W_{CH_4,y}$) is continuously measured and the landfill gas temperature ($^{\circ}C$) and pressure (bar) are required to determine the density of methane in the landfill gas.

Finally, the flare efficiency (FE) is measured as the fraction of time in which the gas is combusted in the flare multiplied by the efficiency of the flaring process. For this purpose, is necessary to determine the methane destroyed within the flare as a function of the methane into the flare and the flaring time.

The party responsible for implementing the monitoring plan shall be the landfill operation company *Pajoan Ltd*. The landfill operator will also be responsible for developing the forms and registration formats for data collection and further classification.

2. Emissions reduction calculation process

The monitoring process will establish the effective emissions reduction occurred at the landfill. The LFG generated at the cells will flow through the gas network to the gas treatment system under pressure conditions. The monitoring operation will result on tCO₂e_{qu}. as the LFG is being flared.

For this purpose, the quantity LFG (Nm³) and the methane content (%) of the LFG is monitored. The equation below outputs the amount of CO₂e (in tonnes):

$$\text{tCO}_2\text{e (yearly)} = A * B * W_{\text{CH}_4} * \text{LFG} * FE - KWh * EF_{\text{diesel}} \quad \text{Equation 6}$$

Parameter	Definition	Unit
tCO ₂ e (yearly)	CO ₂ -equivalent	tCO ₂ e
LFG	Quantity landfill gas	Nm ³
W _{CH₄}	Methane content of the LFG	%
A	0.0007168 @ Air density = 1,013 kg/m ³	Tons/Nm ³
B	21	ton CO ₂ e/ton CH ₄
kWh	Yearly consumed electrical power	kWh
EF _{diesel}	Diesel emissions factor (IPCC)	ton CO ₂ e/kWh

Table 16. Parameter used at the equation 6.

The table 16 shows the parameters used at the equation 6 above. The parameters A, B in Equation 6 are constants, the values W_{CH₄} and LFG are related to the waste composition on place, the FE and kWh are defined by the technical equipment (technical specifications and energy demand) for the LFG destruction. The EF_{diesel} value is issued from the IPCC default values (kg CO₂ equ/kWh). Likely the emissions from the flaring equipment due to the energy demand will represent less than 0.1 % of the total project emission reduction.

The monitoring methodology schedules a continuous screening of the defined values and the further storage on a data-logger (set on place). Finally the data will be daily download and archived on electronic format. Please refer to the D.2.2.1 for more information.

3. QA/QC procedures (Data consistency)

The planning procedures are set to ensure consistency on the monitoring equipment and sensors (Quality control) and the data collected (Quality assurance).

The procedures are defined and based throughout the following points: process scheduling, operation and maintenance plan, data collecting and data registration, equipment calibration, quality auditing and quality prevention plan. The procedures also include measures to resolve non-conformities due to the implementation, operation and maintenance of the project activity.

The data to be included within the QA/QC procedures corresponds to D.2.1.3.1, D.2.2.1.1-9, showed at D.2.2.1 on this PDD. The uncertainty level for the data was set in low. In order to ensure the reliability of the sensors, the following operation steps will be undertaken:

1. On-field sensors.

- LFG flow meter



The meter will provide two values, the daily amount of LFG (Nm³) stored by the data-logger and the total value to date passed through that will be shown at the flow meter. The validator will check both for consistency.

- Sampling points.

The sensors will be placed at the gas network directly connected to the data logger that will register the pressure of the flowing gas. The meter will be checked by the technical team for consistency.

- Methane analyzer.

The most important parameter at the gas analyzer is the normal deviation from the marginal error presented at the electronic device. In order to ensure consistency, the project developer will follow the operation guidelines set up by the fabricant and technical standards provide by the Brazilian technical standard association (ABNT) for the sensor operation.

- Temperature and pressure sensor.

The temperature and pressure will also suffer time to time deviation outside boundaries of the normal deviation set up by the fabricant. In order to ensure consistency, the project developer will follow recommendations on the operation guidelines defined either by the fabricant and the Brazilian technical standard association (ABNT) for the sensor operation.

2. Data logger

Several models for data logger are available at the market. The data logger will be connected directly to the electronic devices (PLC, flow meter, analyzer, temperature sensor). The performance of the data logger will allow hourly registration of the D.2.2.1.1-9 data being daily checked for consistency.

3. Energy meter

The electrical power consumption is measured by means of a kWh-meter. The purpose of the measurement is to check that the emissions due to the project activity (gas pumping) are below of 0.01 % and could be considered as insignificant.

4. Operation and validation

Nowadays, the project owner develops its own operation and environmental monitoring at the landfill and landfill premises. The current operation plan monitors the flux of the percolated liquid from landfill to the final treatment, the water quality at the freatic layers, cleaning and pest control activities and finally the administration of the existing re-forestation activities. The operation routine scheduled for the project activity will be added to the existing operation plan.

Moreover, the project developer will prepare an operation handbook for the monitoring plan. The manual will define the necessary technical and safety procedures for normal operation and the emergency measures for the project operation.

The project developer is the only responsible for the operation of the guidelines described at the handbook. Also the project developer will ensure enough human and material resources for the accomplishment of the activities within the monitoring plan.

5. Regulatory requirements governing landfills in Brazil.



The Ecologica team will be responsible for the analysis and direct monitoring on the governmental rules regarding the landfill gas capture and destruction. Any changes on the baseline will be communicated to the project developer.

6. Corrective, Preventive and Improvement actions.

Actions and procedures are here defined for treating and correcting non-conformities, deviations from the Monitoring Plan and Operational Manual, observed by the landfill operator or during the periodic monitoring. In case of non-conformities regarding the maintenance and operation, further actions are implemented:

1. Problem analysis: Definition of the origin, causes and further actions to be undertaken.
2. Corrective actions: Administration staff will implement and reported to the technical staff the necessary measures.

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