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Annex 13

PROCEDURES FOR RENEWAL OF THE CREDITING PERIOD OF A REGISTERED CDM PROJECT ACTIVITY

(Version 04)

A. Background

1. In accordance with paragraph 49 (a) of the modalities and procedures for a clean development mechanism, the renewal of the crediting period of a registered CDM project activity shall only be granted if a designated operational entity (DOE) determines and informs the Executive Board that the original project baseline is still valid or has been updated taking account of new data where applicable.

B. Preparation of a revised PDD

- 2. Project participants shall update those sections of the project design document (CDM-PDD) relating to the baseline, estimated emission reductions and the monitoring plan using an approved baseline and monitoring methodology as follows:
 - (a) The latest approved version of a baseline and monitoring methodology, applied in the original CDM-PDD of the registered CDM project activity, shall be used whenever applicable;
 - (b) If a baseline and monitoring methodology, applied in the original CDM-PDD, was withdrawn after the registration of the CDM project activity and replaced by a consolidated methodology, the latest approved version of the respective consolidated methodology shall be used;
 - (c) If the registered CDM project activity does not meet the applicability criteria of the options provided for by a) or b), due to their revision or due to the update of the baseline, the project participants shall either select another applicable approved methodology or request, through the DOE, a deviation from an approved methodology for the purpose of renewal of the crediting period.
- 3. The demonstration of the validity of the original baseline or its update does not require a reassessment of the baseline scenario, but rather an assessment of the emissions which would have resulted from that scenario.

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C. Application for renewal of the crediting period¹

- 4. Project participants shall notify the secretariat, by email or through a dedicated web interface, of their intention to request a renewal of a crediting period of the registered CDM project activity by submitting an updated CDM-PDD and informing of their selection of a DOE², within nine to six months prior to the date of expiration of the current crediting period.
- 5. For the purpose of renewal of the crediting period it is not necessary to obtain a new letter of approval from Parties involved.
- 6. The secretariat will make the best effort to inform project participants in advance of the period for requesting renewal of the crediting period in accordance with the registered modalities of communication. It remains under the responsibility of project participants to ensure that all actions are taken in accordance with these procedures in a timely manner. If the notification of the intention to request a renewal of a crediting period is not received by the secretariat six months prior to the date of expiration of the current crediting period, the project participant shall not be entitled to the issuance of certified emission reductions for the period from the expiration date of the current crediting period until the date on which the crediting period is deemed renewed.³
- 7. The DOE's validation opinion shall assess the validity of the original baseline or its update through an assessment of the following issues:
 - (a) an impact of new relevant national and/or sectoral policies and circumstances on the baseline seenario taking into account relevant EB guidance with regard to renewal of the crediting period at the time of requesting renewal of crediting period⁴; and
 - (b) the correctness of the application of an approved baseline methodology for the determination of the continued validity of the baseline or its update, and the estimation of emission reductions for the applicable crediting period.
- 8. A DOE shall submit a request for renewal of a crediting period of a registered CDM project activity using the form "Renewal of the crediting period of a registered CDM project activity" (F-CDM-REN) along with the updated project design document and validation report.

No fee is due for the application for the renewal of the crediting period.

² Any DOE can be selected by project participants to perform this task, however for large scale projects the DOE that submits the request for renewal of the crediting period shall not perform verification for the renewed crediting period.

³ For projects for which the crediting period ends before 30 June 2008, the notification shall be submitted before 29 February 2008.

⁴ Please refer to CDM Catalogue of Decisions http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/catalogue/search>.



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D. Processing of an application

- 9. Upon receipt of a request for renewal of a crediting period of the registered CDM project activity the secretariat will determine whether all information and documentation requested in the FCDM-REN form has been provided by the DOE.
- 10. Once the secretariat has determined that the request is complete it shall be made publicly available through the UNFCCC CDM website for a period of four (4) weeks. The secretariat shall announce a request for renewal of a crediting period of the registered CDM project activity on the UNFCCC CDM web site and notify the requesting DOE, the project participants and the Designated National Authorities.
- 11. Unless there is a request for review within four weeks after the publication of the request for renewal, the crediting period of the registered CDM project activity shall be deemed renewed.
- 12. The procedures to be applied for review of a request for renewal of a crediting period are those contained in Annex III to Decision 4/CMP.1 and following relevant clarifications
- 13. The start date of the renewed crediting period is the first day after the ending date of the previous crediting period.

History of the document

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