



## Annex 2

### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR STANDARDS FOR PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

(Version 01.0)

#### I. Background

1. The Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board), at its sixty-third meeting, adopted the “Standard for demonstration of additionality of GHG emission reductions achieved by a programme of activities”, the “Standard for the development of eligibility criteria for the inclusion of a project activity as a CPA under a PoA” and the “Standard for application of multiple CDM methodologies for a programme of activities”.
2. The Board also requested the secretariat to consolidate the three standards referred to above into one programme of activities (PoA) standard.
3. The Board also requested the secretariat, in collaboration with a task force composed of members from the Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel) and Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG), to develop further guidance regarding cross effects in the context of application of combinations of technologies/measures and methodologies for consideration of the Board at a future meeting.
4. The Board also requested the Meth Panel to review the large-scale methodologies and assess whether additional requirements are needed within these methodologies, in the context of their use under a PoA, for consideration of the Board at a future meeting.
5. The Board considered the draft standard for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programme of activities and requested the secretariat to account for the inputs received at this meeting while re-structuring the draft document including a separate section regarding sampling for designated operational entity (DOE) validation. The new section should be developed in consultation with DOEs and project participants (PPs). The Board will consider the new draft with the inputs received at its sixty-fifth meeting.
6. This document proposes a plan for revising and consolidating the standards and procedures.

#### II. Proposed implementation plan

##### A. Consolidation of the three PoA standards

7. Consistent with the document deadline for the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board, the three standards will be consolidated into one PoA standard and included as an annex to the annotations of the sixty-fifth meeting. If the consolidated PoA standard is approved by the Board at its sixty-fifth meeting:
  - (a) It will become effective on the date of publication of the report of the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board, unless otherwise stated in the report;
  - (b) DOEs may upload for registration PoA-related project design documents in which the previous guidelines have been applied not later than the calendar day (2400 hours GMT) eight months from the publication date of the report of the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board.



### **B. Further guidance regarding cross effects**

8. This item shall be included in the work programme of Meth Panel and it is envisaged that the joint task force of the Meth Panel and the SSC WG will commence work on recommending further guidance on cross effects for the consideration of the Board by the fifty-fourth meeting of the Meth Panel and will make a recommendation to the Board on or before the sixty-eighth meeting of the Board.

### **C. Review of applicability of large-scale methodologies for PoA application**

9. This item shall be included in the work programme of the Meth Panel and it is envisaged that the Meth Panel will commence work on recommendations on the applicability of respective large-scale methodologies by the fifty-third meeting of the Meth Panel. The recommendation will address any aspect of the large-scale methodologies which would cause concern for environmental integrity in the context of their application under a PoA.

### **D. Draft standard on sampling and surveys**

10. A revised draft of the sampling standard that takes into account guidance from the Board provided at its sixty-third meeting has been opened for public comments until 17 October 2011. Further consultation with PPs and DOEs will be undertaken via teleconferencing and a revised draft will be included as an annex to the annotations of the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board. Further work will be carried out on the best-practice examples for the application of the sampling standard including additional examples (e.g. sampling for methane recovery projects) and data analysis of survey results, and this work will be presented for the consideration of the Board on or before its sixty-seventh meeting.

### **E. Revision of existing regulatory documents (procedures, guidelines and forms)**

11. Procedures, guidelines (e.g. guidelines pertaining to PoA-DD, CPA-DD) and forms related to PoAs shall be revised in keeping with the approved standards referred to in paragraph 1 and will be included as annexes to the annotations of the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board.

### **F. Consistency check with CDM project standard, project cycle procedure and verification and validation standard**

12. Revised draft versions of the CDM project standard, the project cycle procedure and the verification and validation standard that will be published in accordance with the deadline of the sixty-fifth meeting documentation will also be consistent with the approved standards.

### **G. Communication to designated national authorities**

13. After the consolidated PoA standard is approved by the Board, the adoption of the PoA standard will be communicated to the designated national authorities, according to any further guidance from the Board in this regard.

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**History of the document**

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