

Agenda item 4.1b

Paragraph 43 of the annotated agenda, Annex 12

“TOOL TO ASSESS THE VALIDITY OF THE ORIGINAL/CURRENT BASELINE AND TO UPDATE THE BASELINE AT THE RENEWAL OF A CREDITING PERIOD”

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Background - Mandate

- EB56 requested the Meth Panel to adjust all methodologies which are identified as not complying with the Board's ruling on the reassessment of baseline scenario.
- In undertaking this work, MP51 discussed the possible need to provide further guidance in the tool but did not reach consensus and reported two views to the Board
- EB63 requested the secretariat to work further on the tool and prepare a draft revised version of the tool for consideration by EB65, taking into account the views expressed by the Board members.



Current requirements in the tool

The tool specifies that, at the renewal of the crediting period, the baseline scenario should not be reassessed but it should be assessed whether the baseline emissions will be affected. In such case, the baseline emissions should be updated.

The tool considers four different aspects that may affect baseline emissions:

- a) Assessment of the compliance of the current baseline with relevant mandatory national and/or sectoral policies;
- b) Assessment of the impact of circumstances;
- c) Assessment whether the continuation of the use of current baseline equipment(s) is technically possible;
- d) Assessment of the validity of the data and parameters



Renewal of crediting period - Assessment of the impact of circumstances

Possible alternative baseline scenarios for a registered CDM Project Activity

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Neither the project participants nor a third party undertakes an investment. “continuation of the current practice”

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At the renewal of the crediting period

- **No re-assessment of additionality**
- **Baseline scenario remains the same**

In which cases specific circumstances are to be considered when updating baseline emissions at the renewal of crediting period?

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