

 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CDM: Revision Form for Approved Methodologies (version 01)</b> (To be used for responding to requests for revision on approved methodologies)</p>	
Date of Meth Panel meeting:	04 - 07 April 2006
Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):	Amendment of the three options for selecting the benchmark for baseline emissions
Indicative methodology to which your submission relates	ACM0005 (Version 02): "Consolidated Baseline Methodology for Increasing the Blend in Cement Production"
Name of the authors of the query:	Det Norske Veritas Certification Ltd.
<p><b>Summary of the query:</b></p> <p>Please use the space below to summarize the request for revision on the related approved methodologies.</p>	
<p>1. Because there could be baseline scenarios wherein any one or two of the three options for determining the benchmark percentage of clinker in the region may become non applicable (for eg. Option (i) is said to become not applicable if the region comprises of less than 5 blend cement brands using similar input/raw materials, and facing similar economic, market and technical circumstances; Option (ii) is said to become not applicable if top 20% comprises of 2.3 plants and not 2 or 3 plants; and Option (iii) is said to become not applicable if the proposed project activity is a green field project, an amendment in the methodology is being suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) For this option it is being suggested to add at the end of (i): ..."(IF THE REGION COMPRISES OF &lt;5 BLEND CEMENT BRANDS, THE AVERAGE (WEIGHTED BY PRODUCTION) MASS PERCENTAGE OF CLINKER FOR ALL THE BLEND CEMENT BRANDS IN REGION IS CONSIDERED)</li> <li>(ii) For this option it is being suggested to add at the end of (ii): ..."(IF 20% FALLS ON PART CAPACITY OF A PLANT, THAT COMPLETE PLANT IS INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATION)</li> <li>(iii) For this option it is being suggested to add at the end of (iii): ..."... IF APPLICABLE (FOR GREENFIELD PROJECT ACTIVITIES THIS OPTION MAY BE EXCLUDED)</li> </ul> <p>2. Because the methodology requires project proponents to revise the benchmark value on an annual basis according to certain criteria specified in the methodology, it is being argued that for Option (iii) the project proponent has to adopt "an increasing trend of a minimum of 2% increase in additives over the percentage of additives at the start of the project activity is incorporated", and this, in cases where the percentage of additives at the start of the project activity itself is very high, this increasing trend of 2% in the baseline is said to be not justifiable in certain circumstances (as this could result in exceeding (violating) the regulatory/product norms in the last few years of the crediting period and therefore may be in apt; the baseline benchmark set after an annual 2% increase may be very high in comparison to the percentage of additives of the other plants in the region; and the barriers associated to the project also apply to the baseline benchmark set, an amendment in the methodology is being suggested:</p> <p>For this case it is being suggested to have the following new text: "For option (iii) the highest percentage of additives used over the 3 most recent years and the highest percentage of additives is selected THE PROJECT PROPONENT CAN CHOOSE BETWEEN 2 OPTIONS – EITHER (1) TO RESET THE BENCHMARK FOR BASELINE AS PER THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF 'BASELINE EMISSIONS' SECTION GIVEN (AS PER OPTION (I), (II) AND (III) GIVEN ABOVE AND) ON PAGE 3 OF ACM0005-VER02; OR (2) THE BENCHMARK INCORPORATES A TREND, SPECIFIED EX-ANTE, IN THE SHARE OF ADDITIVES IN</p>	

BLENDING CEMENT TYPE BASED ON GENERAL MARKET TREND OR an increase in additives over the percentage of additives at the start of the project activity is incorporated.

**Recommendation by the Meth Panel:**

Please use the space below to provide amendments /changes (in your expert view, if necessary).

- 1) For the first suggestion the following text should be included in the revised methodology:
  - add at the end of bullet (i) If the region comprises of less than 5 blend cement brands, the national market should be used as the default region;
  - add at the end of bullet (ii): If 20% falls on part capacity of a plant, that plant is included in the calculations;
  - add at the end of bullet (iii): if applicable (For Greenfield project activity this option may be excluded).
- 2) For the second suggestion add the following text at the end of the relevant sentence: up to the limit of the regulatory/product norm in the region/national market.

**Answer to authors of the request for revision by the Meth Panel :**

Please use the space below to provide an answer to the authors of the above query

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  - add at the end of (i) If the region comprises of less than 5 blend cement brands, the national market should be used as the default region;
  - add at the end of (ii): If 20% falls on part capacity of a plant, that plant is included in the calculations;
  - add at the end of (iii): if applicable (For Greenfield project activity this option may be excluded).
- 2) For the second suggestion add the following text at the end of the relevant sentence: up to the limit of the regulatory/product norm in the region/national market.



Signature of the Meth Panel Chair .....

Date: 13 / 04 /06

(Rajesh Kumar Sethi)



Signature of the Meth Panel Vice-Chair .....

Date: 13/04 /06

(Jean-Jacques Becker)

**Information to be completed by the secretariat**

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