



**CDM: Recommendation Form for Small Scale Methodologies (version 01)**  
*(To be used for presenting questions/proposals/amendments to the simplified methodologies for small-scale CDM project activity categories)*

<b>Date of SSC WG meeting:</b>	30 January–02 February 2012, SSC WG 35
<b>Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):</b>	Clarification on the applicability of AMS-I.C/I.D/I.F versus 'Standard for Application of Multiple CDM Methodologies for A Programme of Activities' for biomass PoA
<b>Indicative methodology to which your submission relates (refer the items of Appendix B of the Simplified Modalities and Procedures), if applicable.</b>	<p>AMS-I.C "Thermal energy production with or without electricity"</p> <p>AMS-I.D "Renewable electricity generation for captive use and mini-grid"</p> <p>AMS-I.F "Renewable electricity generation for captive use and mini-grid"</p>
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**Summary of the query:**

Please use the space below to summarize the query related to SSC methodologies/categories SSC Modalities and Procedures provide recommendation/analysis of the SSC WG.

Original text from PP:

Dear CDM SSC Team,

We would like to get clarification on a difference between the 'Standard for Application of Multiple CDM Methodologies for A Programme of Activities' (EB 63, Annex 4)' and the 'Project activity under a Programme of Activities' section of the Small Scale methodologies AMS-I.C (version 19), AMS-I.D (version 17) and AMS-I.F (version 02).

According to the 'Standard for Application of Multiple CDM Methodologies for A Programme of Activities' (EB 63, Annex 4), 'Section B. Application of multiple small-scale (SSC) CDM methodologies' the following situation for applying combinations of technologies/measures and / or methodologies is eligible:

(c) A principle technology / measure is applied consistently in each CPA using multiple methodologies.

We would like to write a PoA based on AMS-I.C, AMS-I.D and/or AMS-I.F for the generation of electricity using biomass based systems. The biomass could be extracted from dedicated plantations or be biomass residues. The above mentioned small scale methodologies, however state in the section 'Project Activity under a Programme of Activities', that *'in the specific case of biomass project activities under a Programme of Activities the applicability of the methodology is limited to either project activities that use biomass residues or processed biomass only or biomass from dedicated plantations complying with the applicability conditions of AM0042'*.

We would like to know if we can apply the standard in this case and write a PoA, using one of the above mentioned methodologies, that allows for biomass residues as well as biomass from dedicated plantations?

Such a PoA would apply a principle technology (biomass conversion into heat/electricity).

#### Proposal

We propose the following combination of methodologies to be approved based on the 'Standard for Application of Multiple CDM Methodologies for A Programme of Activities, Section B' (EB 63, Annex 4):

AMS-I.C (version 19) using biomass residues or processed biomass and AMS-I.C (version 19) using biomass from dedicated plantations and complying with the applicability conditions of AM0042.

Methodology AMS-I.C will be applied twice, thereby allowing different biomass source usage within the PoA.

AND

AMS-I.D (version 17) using biomass residues or processed biomass and AMS-I.D (version 17) using biomass from dedicated plantations and complying with the applicability conditions of AM0042.

Methodology AMS-I.D will be applied twice, thereby allowing different biomass source usage within the PoA.

AND

AMS-I.F (version 02) using biomass residues or processed biomass and AMS-I.F (version 02) using biomass from dedicated plantations and complying with the applicability conditions of AM0042.

Methodology AMS-I.F will be applied twice, thereby allowing different biomass source usage within the PoA.

#### **Recommendation by the SSC WG:**

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

Please refer to paragraph 46 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 35  
<[http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc\\_wg](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc_wg)>.

#### **Answer to authors of query by the SSC WG:**

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

The small-scale working group of the CDM Executive Board would like to thank the author for the submission.

The SSC WG agreed to clarify that multiple types of biomass, i.e. biomass residues, processed biomass (e.g. briquette) and biomass from dedicated plantations, can be used applying AMS-I.C, I.D and I.F for a PoA, provided all the other requirements in the methodology such as: (a) leakage emissions in case of biomass residues; (b) project emission in case of processed biomass; and (c) consistency with AM0042 in case of dedicated plantation are satisfied.

The SSC WG agreed to incorporate the changes in a future revision of these methodologies.

The SSC WG also would like to confirm that there are no cross effects when applying AMS-I.C, I.D and I.F in combinations with the above-mentioned biomass types. There is no need to have prior approval of combinations as per the “Standard for demonstration of additionality, development of eligibility criteria and application of multiple methodologies for programme of activities”, which is available at <[http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Standards/meth/meth\\_stan04.pdf](http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Standards/meth/meth_stan04.pdf)>.

Signed by the Chair, Ms. Fatou Gaye

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Signed by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Peer Stiansen

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