



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)

<i>Date of SSC WG meeting:</i>	19 - 21 September 2007
<i>Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):</i>	Grupo Guimarães fossil fuel switching project
<i>Indicative methodology to which your submission relates (refer the items of Appendix B of the Simplified Modalities and Procedures), if applicable.</i>	AMS.III.B – Switching fossil fuels, version 11
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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.

Amazon Carbon is currently working on a biofuel project in Brazil. The project substitutes diesel consumption in the baseline with production and use of biodiesel in the proposed project activity. The biodiesel will be used as fuel in vehicles and farm machinery (no stationary combustion engine is included in the project activity).

The project participants request clarification on whether small scale methodology AMS III.B can be applied to above mentioned project, considering that issues related to leakage for the production of the biodiesel were addressed in the PDD. Double counting issues were also addressed in the PDD as per the “Guidance on double-counting in CDM project activities using blended biofuel for energy use”. Furthermore, leakage emissions for the cultivation of biomass are not expected since the biodiesel will be produced from existing biomass residue (cotton seeds). Thus, neither land use change nor additional cultivation of biomass will occur for the production of bio-diesel.

Recommendation by the SSC WG :

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

Please refer to Paragraph 27 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 12
(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 AMS III.B is not applicable to the proposed project activity as this category aims at fuel switching between different fossil fuels, from a GHG emission intensive fuel to a less emission intensive fuel e.g. from coal to natural gas. The proposed project activity could qualify as a renewable energy project activity as the emission reduction achieved by the project activity comes from the renewable condition of the fuel. Therefore a type I methodology should be used, however there is

currently no approved methodology that aims at biodiesel project activities. The SSC WG would like to note that work is being undertaken to develop a small-scale methodology applicable to project activities producing and using plant oil in transportation applications.

Therefore project proponents may consider submitting a new category under type 1, taking into account double counting, emissions from the cultivation of biomass (if applicable) and leakages such as competing uses of biomass, shift in pre project activities (if applicable).



Signature of SSC WG Chair

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