



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>	15–18 June 2010, SSC WG 26
<i>Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):</i>	Clarification on applicability of AMS-III.C or AMS-III.S to introduction of LNG vehicles into new public transportation routes
<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.C (Version 11) “Emission reductions by low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles”; and AMS-III.S (Version 01) “Introduction of low-emission vehicles to commercial vehicle fleets”
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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:

The proposed project activity involves in introducing new LNG buses in new routes of the city public transport system. The new routes have fixed distance, start and end points, frequency of operations. The baseline scenario is to introduce vehicles burning diesel which are more attractive commercially.

The queries on the applicability of methodologies are described as below:

- 1、 The paragraph 1 in the AMS-III.C states that “This category comprises low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles”. But, there is no definition of the low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles. Therefore, I would like to request for the clarification whether the LNG buses belong to low-greenhouse gas emitting vehicles in AMS-III.C and whether the AMS-III.C be applicable to the proposed project activity.
- 2、 If the AMS-III.C is not applicable, is the methodology AMS-III.S applicable to the proposed project which introduces new LNG vehicles in new routes?

Recommendation by the SSC WG:

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

Please refer to paragraph 15 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 26
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.

Applicability of AMS-III.C:

The SSC WG agreed to reiterate the previously provided clarifications in response to SSC_364 and SSC_125 that AMS-III.C covers project activities involving the replacement of high GHG emitting vehicles with new electric or hybrid vehicles. Therefore, the SSC WG agreed to clarify that AMS-III.C is not applicable to the underlying project activity involving an introduction of new LNG vehicles in new routes.

Applicability of AMS-III.S:

As per paragraph 4 and 20 of AMS-III.S, this methodology requires project participants to demonstrate that the level of service is unlikely to change before and after project implementation which is to be determined by the number of passengers or volume of goods times the average distance of transportation per person or tonne of freight. The type of baseline vehicles which service is substituted shall be identified, and furthermore the monitoring procedures of the methodology require obtaining baseline data and parameters from vehicles which have been used previously. The SSC WG thus agreed to clarify that project activities related to increases in the provided transportation services are not covered by AMS-III.S. Furthermore, for project situation where multiple transportation modes are possible options to meet transportation demands a detailed baseline survey is needed to establish the most plausible baseline transportation means. The PP may wish to submit a new methodology using relevant provisions from other approved methodologies such as AMS-III.U, for example the procedures provided for determining baseline passenger transportation modes.

Signed by the Chair, Mr. Peer Stiansen

Date: 18/06/2010

Signed by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Hugh Sealy

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