

	CDM: Response form for request for clarification on Approved Methodologies (version 01.1)	
<i>Date of Meth Panel meeting:</i>	9-11 October, 2006	
<i>Title and number of request for clarification</i>	“Catalytic reduction of N2O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants”; AM_CLA_0032	
Summary of the query: Please use the space below to summarize the request for clarification on the related approved methodologies.		
<p>One of the applicability criteria of AM0034 is that “the applicability is limited to existing nitric acid production facilities installed no later than 31 December 2005”. The Meth Panel is requested to elaborate on what is considered as installed no later than 31 December 2005. Installed no later than 31 December 2005 could for instance mean the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Start construction no later than 31 December 2) Start commissioning no later than 31 December 3) Start 1st "campaign" no later than 31 December 		
Recommendation by the Meth Panel: Please use the space below to provide amendments /changes (in your expert view, if necessary).		
<p>The intention of the clause “the applicability is limited to existing nitric acid production facilities installed no later than 31 December 2005” should be taken to mean that the applicability is limited to facilities with a record of commercial production before 31 December, 2005.</p>		
<p>Further the Meth Panel recommended revision of AM0034 to clarification the above phrase in the approved methodology. It also recommends revision of AM0028 to ensure consistency,.</p>		
<p>The revision is applicable to all projects using the existing versions of these methodologies.</p>		
Answer to authors of the request for clarification by the Meth Panel : Please use the space below to provide an answer to the authors of the above query		
<p>The purpose of this condition is to avoid possibility of gaming in order to deliberately increase the by product N2O. In theory, as long as all relevant hardware and software with respect to ammonia oxidation is installed before 31 December 2005, then the purpose of the condition is fulfilled. In practice, this may lead to ambiguities. Therefore, a record of commercial production is taken as a definitive indicator of the completion of installation.</p>		



Signature of the Meth Panel Chair

Date: 13/09/2006

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Signature of the Meth Panel Vice-Chair

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