



**CDM: Response form for request for clarification on
Approved Methodologies
(version 01.1)**

<i>Date of A/R Working Group meeting:</i>	A/R Working Group 27 17–19 February 2010
<i>Title and number of request for clarification</i>	AR_AM_CLA_0009: Ex post estimation of soil organic carbon

Summary of the query:

Please use the space below to summarize the request for clarification on the related approved methodologies.

The approved methodology AR-ACM0001 describes a default method for *ex ante* and *ex post* estimation of soil organic carbon (SOC), subject to the conditions (i) to (iv) under clause 5.1.4.1 page 20 of the approved methodology.

The PP's requested clarification on the following issue:

While applying the approved methodology AR-ACM0001 for A/R CDM projects, if a part of the project area does not satisfy all the conditions (i) to (iv) listed in the default method approach to estimate soil organic carbon of the methodology, is the default method approach the only method to be used for *ex post* estimations of soil organic carbon?

Recommendation by the A/R Working Group:

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

Please refer to paragraph 12 of the meeting report of the A/R WG 27 <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar>>.

Answer to authors of the request for clarification by the A/R Working Group :

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

The methodology AR-ACM0001 version 03 provides only the default method to estimate the soil organic carbon.

If some areas of land included in the boundary of an A/R CDM project activity do not satisfy at least one of the conditions listed in paragraph 5.1.4.1 of the above-mentioned methodology, then the default approach for accounting for changes in soil organic carbon pool shall not be applied to these areas.



Signature of A/R Working Group Chair

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