



**Approved baseline and monitoring methodology /
methodological tool clarification response form
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Title/Subject of the request for clarification:	Clarifications on updating DATE _{BaselineRetrofit} of ACM0002 and on changing the grid emission factor calculation approach from ex post to ex ante
Reference number of the request for clarification:	AM_CLA_0280
Exact reference (number, title and version) of the methodology or methodological tool to which the request for clarification applies:	<p>ACM0002: "Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources --- Version 19.0</p> <p>TOOL10: "Tool to determine the remaining lifetime of equipment"</p> <p>TOOL11: "Assessment of the validity of the original/current baseline and update of the baseline at the renewal of the crediting period version 03.0.1".</p>
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Summary of the request for clarification

1. This is with reference to parameter DATE_{BaselineRetrofit} of ACM0002 methodology for Retrofit, rehabilitation or capacity addition projects having renewable crediting period.

During first crediting period, the parameter DATE_{BaselineRetrofit} was kept as ex-ante. However during renewal of crediting period, PP observed that the technical lifetime of equipment's (to be replaced, retrofitted or rehabilitated) are more than the date mentioned in registered PDD. The technical lifetime of equipment's is determined as per "TOOL10: Tool to determine the remaining lifetime of equipment".

Query – We seek clarification if the Point in time when the existing equipment would need to be replaced in the absence of the project activity needs revision as per as per "TOOL10: Tool to determine the remaining lifetime of equipment" or there is still technical lifetime available beyond already determined DATE_{BaselineRetrofit} for existing equipments to be replaced, retrofitted or rehabilitated, Can PP do it during renewable of crediting period.

2. Consider the project where project activity had kept ex-post monitoring of grid emission factor. Since Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system allows PP to keep the grid emission factor as ex-ante or ex-post. PP is unable to get data required for calculation of grid emission factor from relevant authorized source, hence PP want to change approach from ex-post to ex-ante parameter for grid emission factor.

Query - Can PP change the existing ex-post monitoring of grid emission factor to ex-ante grid emission factor during renewable of crediting period or during Post Registration change.

Clarification by the secretariat or Panel / WG

The Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel) of the CDM Executive Board would like to thank the author for the submission.

QUERY 1

With respect to the query on change in the parameter DATE_{BaselineRetrofit} at the renewable of the crediting period the Meth Panel clarified that the methodology ACM0002 or the TOOL10 or TOOL11 does not contain provisions to update the parameter at the renewal of the crediting period. In addition, footnote 24 of

the Project Standard version 2.0 does not allow parameters fixed ex-ante at the time of registration of the project activity to be updated through a request for post-registration change.

QUERY 2

With regard to query on change from the existing ex-post monitoring of grid emission factor to ex-ante grid emission factor, the Meth Panel clarified that as part of the renewal of the crediting period process, the project participants have to prepare a new PDD that describes the updated baseline. In that context changing the grid emission factor approach from ex-post to ex-ante is allowed as long as adequate justifications are provided and they are validated by the DOE.

With respect to changing the monitoring approach of the grid emission factor from ex-post to ex-ante during the crediting period, the Meth Panel clarifies that paragraphs 238 and 239 of the CDM Project Standard for Project Activities version 2.0 describes the requirements under which project participants may submit a request for permanent changes to the registered monitoring plan, or permanent deviation of monitoring from the applied methodologies, standardized baselines, or other methodological regulatory documents.

Version(s) of the approved methodology / methodological tool to which the clarification is applicable:

“ACM0002: Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources”, Version 19.0.

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