
 <p align="center">CDM: Form for submission of queries from DOEs to the Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group regarding the application of approved A/R methodologies (version 01) <i>(To be used by DOEs for presenting questions / proposals / amendments related to the applicability of approved A/R methodologies)</i></p>	
Name of the entity (DOE) submitting this form	TÜV NORD CERT GmbH
Reference number and title of the approved A/R methodologies	AR-AM0002 version 1 and all other AR methodologies
Title/Subject (give a short title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):	Is it possible to use allometric equations based on basal diameter while most of the AR methodologies require to measure the dbh?
Attach CDM-AR-PDD example of project activity where applicability raises problem:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, is attached. See project activity no. 1948
Date and signature for the DOE	2011/06/28 
Submitted queries Please use the space below to substantiate the queries relating to the application of approved A/R methodologies. If the questions are related to a project activity under development or implementation, please describe the context in which they arose. If you are proposing amendments to approved A/R methodologies, please specify the text you want to change or introduce. If necessary, attach files or refer to sources of relevant information.	
If you have a question relating to the application of the approved A/R methodologies, please specify and provide reference to the exact project activity to which it applies. >> We would like to have clarity whether an allometric equation based on the basal diameter that is the most precise method available in the project region can be accepted for estimation of total stem volume while the methodology requires the measurement of the dbh. Does the application of the basal diameter allometric equation require a request for deviation from the methodology even though the applied method is the most precise available for that specific region? Or would a DOE assessment be sufficient? >>A possible amendment or clarification to A/R methodologies could be that basal or collar diameter measurement could be used in place of dbh, depending on the availability of local allometric equations or BEF.	
If you propose an amendment to the approved A/R methodologies, please provide justification. >>This amendment would lead to more accurate results of total stem volume estimations as e.g. local equations based on basal diameter are more precise than using default BEF/allometric equations based on dbh.	
In case you propose the amendment to the approved A/R methodologies, please provide your draft below, if not included in an annex:	

>>A general clarification for all methodologies would be the best option. “Instead of dbh also collar diameter, basal diameters or height measurements can be used for the estimation of total stem volume in case more precise local equations are available for these types of predictors.”	
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