



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)

Date of SSC WG meeting:	22–25 August 2011, SSC WG 33
Title/Subject (give a small title or specify the subject of your submission, maximum 200 characters):	Clarification on emissions from the transportation of compost under AMS-III.F
Indicative methodology to which your submission relates (refer the items of Appendix B of the Simplified Modalities and Procedures), if applicable.	AMS-III.F “Avoidance of methane emissions through composting”
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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 Stakeholder:

As per the paragraph 9 of the approved small scale methodology AMS-III.F., version 10, the project proponent shall clearly define the geographical boundary of the region where common practice of disposing the waste in solid waste disposal site is established. In defining the geographical boundary of the region, project participants are required to take into account the source of waste and the distance to which the final product after composting will be transported. In either case, the region shall not exceed a radius of 200 km.

The project proponent will sell the produced compost directly to the local farmers. Also the project proponent may sell the produced compost through local dealers, which may be located at a distance of more than 200 km. As per our understanding, selling of compost through these dealers shall attract leakage emissions associated with the incremental distance, beyond 200 km, of transportation of compost. Therefore, in such cases of selling the compost through the local dealers located at a distance of more than 200 km, the PP can incorporate leakage emissions due to this incremental distance of transportation of compost.

Further, the project proponent can also include leakage emissions, for the additional distance to which the compost shall be sold / transported through the local dealer. These leakage emissions are proposed to be calculated considering a default value, e.g. 50 km (may be suggested by UNFCCC), of distance for which the compost is transported around the dealer location.

I request some guidance on the suggested approach so as to develop the case accordingly and adopt the same for implementation.

Recommendation by the SSC WG:

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

Please refer to paragraph 27 of the meeting report of the SSC WG 33
 <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.

The SSC WG agreed to clarify that CO₂ emissions due to incremental transportation distances under AMS-III.F (i.e. $PE_{y,transp}$ in paragraph 15, AMS-III.F ver. 10) could be neglected, taking into account the fact that: (a) Such an emission source is not a significant source; and (b) CO₂ emissions would likely be comparable for transporting the chemical fertilizer that would have been used in the absence of the project activity.

The SSC WG agreed to further clarify that for the purpose of defining the geographical boundary where the waste disposal in a solid waste disposal site (landfill)/stockpile(s) is a common practice (which is what paragraph 9 of the same version intended for), the distance indicated thereof will still apply, i.e. the region should cover a reasonable radius around the project activity that can be justified with reference to the project circumstances but in no case it shall be more than 200 km.

For the purpose of selling the produced compost the project proponents may exceed this 200 km boundary without calculating transport emissions, provided they can still ensure that the produced compost is handled aerobically and submitted to soil application in line with paragraph 10.

Signed by the Chair, Ms. Fatou Gaye

Date: 25/08/2011

Signed by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Peer Stiansen

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