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1. Introduction

1. The following table describes the key elements of the methodology:

Table 1. Methodology key elements

Typical projects	Activities for adoption of energy efficient light bulbs (e.g. self-ballasted compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) and light-emitting diode (LED) lamps) to replace less efficient light bulbs (e.g. incandescent lamps (ICLs)) in residential applications
Type of GHG emissions mitigation action	Energy efficiency: Displacement of more-GHG-intensive lighting by technology switch

2. Scope, applicability, and entry into force

2.1. Scope

2. This category comprises activities that lead to efficient use of electricity through the adoption of energy efficient light bulbs (project lamps) to replace less energy efficient light bulbs (baseline lamps) in residential applications. Eligible self-ballasted CFLs have integrated ballasts as a non-removable part. The project lamps adopted to replace existing equipment must be new equipment and not transferred from another activity.

2.2. Applicability

3. The total lumen output of a project lamp should be equal to or more than that of the baseline lamp being replaced; lumen output of the baseline and the project lamp shall be determined in accordance with relevant national or international standard/s. Values in Table 2 may be used as an alternative option to such standards. If a lamp wattage is not in Table 2, linearly interpreted value shall be used to determine the minimum light output requirements for example 493 Lumens for a 45 W lamp.

Table 2. Light output requirements

Baseline technology - Incandescent lamp (Watt)	Minimum light output (Lumen)
25	230
40	415
50	570
60	715
75	940
90	1,227
100	1,350
150	2,180
200	3,090

4. The aggregate electricity savings by a single project activity may not exceed the equivalent of 60 GWh per year.
5. The rated average life¹ of each project lamp type shall be known ex ante and shall be reported in the CDM-PDD. Manufacturer specifications shall be used to determine the rated average life. The CDM-PDD shall cite the standard used by the manufacturer.
6. The project lamps utilized under the project activity shall, in addition to the standard lamp specifications,² be marked for clear unique identification for the project.³ The method to meet this requirement includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - (a) Permanent marking of CDM project number and name on each of the project lamps along with other specifications;
 - (b) Marking using special codes, for example each project is permanently marked *'for CDM project, not for sale/resale'* followed by project specific marking/labelling;
 - (c) Other forms of identification using communication technologies (e.g. GPS, mobile phone networks) or lease/rental payment.
7. The CDM-PDD or CDM-PoA-DD/CPA-DD shall explain the proposed method of distribution of project lamps and how collection (e.g. exchanged for project lamps) and destruction⁴ of baseline lamps will be conducted and documented. The CDM-PDD shall also explain how the proposed procedures eliminate double counting of Emission Reductions, for example due to project lamp manufacturers, wholesale providers or others possibly claiming credit for emission reductions from the project lamps.
8. The project activity shall be designed to limit undesired secondary market effects (e.g. leakage) and free riders by ensuring that replaced lamps are collected and destroyed. Further project participants are required to undertake at least one of the following actions:

¹ See Section 4 for definitions of Rated Average Life.

² For example power rating, lumen output, correlated colour temperature, voltage, power factor, frequency.

³ The requirements on unique marking of project lamps are to ensure that if ex post monitoring survey conducted to confirm that the lamps are still installed and operating is based on sample survey, sample selection is on a random basis to ensure results are unbiased estimates of the parameters and each lamp would have equal chance to qualify as a sample. Besides, the requirements are also to enable identification of the lamps that are distributed only through the specific CDM project activity under consideration, particularly if multiple CFL projects are underway. Furthermore, in the case of programme of activities (PoAs), the requirements are important to avoid double counting within the PoA (the same device belonging to two different CPAs of the same PoA); and to avoid double counting in situations external to the PoA (the same device belonging to two different PoAs). Thus, unique identification of each lamp would avoid double counting as well as allow implementation of unbiased and reliable sample schemes.

⁴ Proposed method for collection and destruction shall allow for verification. An example method is collection of ICLs, recording of ICL wattage and destruction in decentralised or centralised locations, and destruction documented via witnessing by local environmental officials or time stamped video records. With recorded documentation of ICL destruction, the destruction can precede verification.

- (a) Directly installing the project lamps;
 - (b) Charging at least a minimal price⁵ for efficient lighting equipment;
 - (c) Restricting the number of lamps per household distributed through the project activity to six.
9. Whether the project lamps are directly installed or not directly installed, the CDM-PDD or CDM-PoA-DD/CPA-DD shall define actions to be taken to encourage the project lamps being installed in locations within the residences where the utilization hours are relatively high, for example common areas. For project lamps not directly installed, these actions can include educating the project lamp recipients of the best uses for project lamps.
10. The households receiving project lamps are connected to a national or regional electricity grid.
11. With this methodology, emission reductions can only be claimed for the average life of project lamps.

2.3. Entry into force

12. The date of entry into force is the date of the publication of the EB 81 meeting report on 28 November 2014.

3. Normative references

13. Project participants shall apply the “General guidelines for SSC CDM methodologies”, information on additionality as contained in the “Guidelines on the demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities” (Previously known as Attachment A of Appendix B to simplified modalities and procedures of small scale CDM project activities provided at <<https://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Guidclarif/index.html>> mutatis mutandis.
14. This methodology also refers to the latest approved versions of the following approved methodologies and tools:
- (a) “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system”;
 - (b) “AMS-I.D.: Grid connected renewable electricity generation”.

4. Definitions

15. The definitions contained in the Glossary of CDM terms shall apply.
16. **Life (of an individual lamp)** - the length of time during which a complete lamp operates:
- (a) To burn out; or
 - (b) Any other criterion of life performance defined in IEC 60696 or an equivalent national standard applied.

⁵ For example cost equivalent of an incandescent lamp being replaced.

17. **Average life (life to 50 per cent failures)** - the length of time during which 50 per cent of the lamps reach the end of their individual life.
18. **Rated average life (rated life to 50 per cent failures)** - the life declared by the manufacturer or responsible vendor as being the expected time at which 50 per cent of any large number of lamps reach the end of their individual lives.

5. Baseline methodology

5.1. Project boundary

19. The spatial extent of the project boundary encompasses the physical, geographical location of each project lamp installed in the project area and the spatial extent of the electricity system(s) that the households are connected to as defined in the “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system”.

5.2. The baseline scenario and demonstration of additionality

20. If the project lamps sold or distributed by the project coordinator to households are self-ballasted LED lamps, the project activity is deemed automatically additional. The provision is valid for three years from the date of entry into force of version 6.0 of AMS-II.J on 28 November 2014; the Board may reassess the validity of the provision and extend or update it if needed. Any update does not affect the project activities that request registration as a CDM project activity or a programme of activities by 27 November 2017.
21. If the project lamp sold or distributed to a household by the project coordinator is self-ballasted CFLs,
 - (a) For countries which have no or only limited lighting efficiency regulations when the CDM-PDD or CDM-PoA-DD is published for global stakeholder consultation, according to the Efficient Lighting Policy Status Map developed by UNEP’s en.lighten initiative,⁶ the project activity is deemed additional;
 - (b) For other countries, additionality should be demonstrated using the latest version of the “Guidelines on the demonstration of additionality of small-scale project activities” that is available on the UNFCCC web site. If “Investment barrier” is chosen to demonstrate additionality, the investment analysis should be applied from the perspective of the project coordinator undertaking the project activity. For “Technological barrier”, it shall be assessed from the perspective of the users of the project lamps. The proposed project activity is considered as facing “Technological barrier”, if the market penetration of CFLs for households in the geographical area of the project activity is less than 20 per cent.⁷
22. The assumed baseline scenario is that lighting by the project lamps would have been provided by the lamps collected and replaced by the project activity.

⁶ Accessible at <<http://www.enlighten-initiative.org/Home.aspx>>.

⁷ This may be demonstrated, for example, using official government data, third party independent surveys and research, academic research papers, pilot baseline studies by the project proponent.

5.3. Emission reductions

23. Ex ante calculations are done as per the following steps:

- (a) Estimate the nameplate/rated power (Watts) of the baseline incandescent lamps to be replaced;
- (b) Determine operating hours of project (and baseline) lamps using one of the following two options:
 - (i) **Option 1:** a default value of 3.5 hours per 24 hours period for 'daily operating hours', that is factor O_i in equation (2), is chosen ex ante and is used ex post throughout the crediting period. In this case surveying to determine O_i is not required;
 - (ii) **Option 2:** instead of using a default value of 3.5 hours for O_i , a measured value can be used for the ex ante estimate using the sampling requirements indicated in the definition of O_i for equation (2);
- (c) Calculate the annual gross electricity savings by comparing the nameplate/rated power rating of the project lamp with that of the baseline incandescent lamp and multiplying by: (i) annual hours of operation; and (ii) the estimated number of CFLs that are part of the project. If more than one type (wattage) of project lamp is to be used, repeat calculation for each type;
- (d) Calculate the annual net electricity saving (NES), for each year of the assumed crediting period, by correcting the gross electricity savings for leakage, a net-to-gross adjustment (NTG) factor, transmission & distribution losses, and Lamp Failure Rate.⁸

24. The electricity saved by the project activity in year y is calculated as indicated in equations (1) and (2):

$$NES_y = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_{PJ,i} \times (1 - LFR_{i,y}) \times ES_i \times \frac{1}{(1 - TD_y)} \times NTG \quad \text{Equation (1)}$$

Where:

$$ES_i = (P_{i,BL} - P_{i,PJ}) \times O_i \times 365/1000 \quad \text{Equation (2)}$$

Where:

$$NES_y = \text{Net electricity saved in year } y \text{ (kWh)}$$

⁸ Calculate annual savings with consideration of lamp failure rate as indicated in equation (3) using either Average Life or Rated Average Life of CFLs.

$Q_{PJ,i}$	=	Number (quantity) of pieces of equipment (project lamps) of type i distributed or installed under the project activity (units). In total for all i , this value shall be equal to or less than the documented number of all baseline incandescent lamps destroyed. Once all of the project lamps are distributed or installed, $Q_{PJ,i}$ is a constant value independent from y
i	=	Counter for equipment type. Lamps with the same manufacturer and similar (within 10 per cent) technical specifications and rated average life are considered to be of the same type. The project participants may include additional criteria (e.g. manufacturing year) for defining lamp types
n	=	Number of types of equipment i
ES_i	=	Estimated annual electricity savings for equipment of type i , for the relevant technology (kWh)
$LFR_{i,y}$	=	Lamp Failure Rate for equipment type i in year y (fraction)
TD_y	=	Average annual technical grid losses (transmission and distribution) during year y for the grid serving the locations where the devices are installed, expressed as a fraction. This value shall not include non-technical losses such as commercial losses (e.g. theft/pilferage). The average annual technical grid losses shall be determined using recent, accurate and reliable data available for the host country. This value can be determined from recent data published either by a national utility or an official governmental body. Reliability of the data used (e.g. appropriateness, accuracy/uncertainty, especially exclusion of non-technical grid losses) shall be established and documented by the project participant. A default value of 10 per cent shall be used for average annual technical grid losses, if no recent data are available or the data cannot be regarded accurate and reliable
NTG	=	Net-to-gross adjustment factor, a default value of 0.95 is to be used unless a more appropriate value based on a lighting use survey from the same region and not older than two years is available
$P_{i,BL}$	=	Rated power of the baseline lighting devices of the group of i lighting devices (Watts)
$P_{i,PJ}$	=	Rated power of the project lighting devices of the group of i lighting devices (Watts)

O_i = Average daily operating hours of the lighting devices replaced by the group of i lighting devices. For ex post values use either:⁹
(a) 3.5 hours per 24 hour period; or
(b) The average measured value determined from measurements of a representative sample conducted once, prior to or concurrent with the first ex post monitoring survey (see paragraph 29 below). Note that surveying to assess retention rates is still required even if a default value for O_i is chosen. In no case may a value greater than five hours per 24 hour period shall be used under this methodology

25. To use a value for 'daily operating hours' other than 3.5 hrs/day, a continuous measurement of usage hours of baseline or project lamps for a minimum of 90 days at representative sample households is required. Also see requirements in paragraph 32. The days selected for measurement of operating hours shall either be representative of the annual variation of daylight hours in the region or a correction shall be applied to account for annual variation in daylight. For further instructions on sampling and surveys see the latest version of the "Standard for sampling and surveys for CDM project activities and programme of activities".

26. The Lamp Failure Rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) is the % of lamps that have failed during a year. The rated average life is used to calculate the Lamp Failure Rate as follows:

$$\text{If } y \times X_i < L_i, LFR_{i,y} = y \times X_i \times \frac{100 - R_i}{100 \times L_i} \quad \text{Equation (3)}$$

$$\text{If } y \times X_i \geq L_i, LFR_{i,y} = 1$$

Where:

$LFR_{i,y}$ = Lamp Failure Rate for equipment type i in year y (fraction)
 y = Counter for year
 X_i = Number of operating hours per year for equipment type i (hours)
 L_i = Rated Average Life for equipment type i (hours)
 R_i = % of lamps of type i operating at the end of the rated average life (use a value of 50)

27. Emissions reduction is net electricity savings (NES) times an Emission Factor (EF) calculated in accordance with provisions under "AMS-I.D: Grid connected renewable electricity generation".

⁹ The project participant shall decide prior to the first ex post measurement whether to use the 3.5 hours default value or ex post measured operating hours for determining O_i in equation (2). If the project participant is undecided prior to the first ex post measurement as to which option to use, approaches to each option under consideration should be described in the PDD, with details of a sampling plan. However, once an approach is implemented, the project participant may not switch options. In particular, it is not possible to collect measured operating hour data (which may, for example, show three hours per day of operation) and then switch back to use the default value of 3.5 hours.

$$ER_y = NES_y \times EF_{CO_2,ELEC,y} \quad \text{Equation (4)}$$

Where:

ER_y = Emission reductions in year y (t CO₂e)

$EF_{CO_2,ELEC,y}$ = Emission factor in year y calculated in accordance with the provisions in AMS-I.D. (t CO₂/MWh)

28. The electricity savings from the efficient lighting equipment installed by the project activity shall be considered from the date of completion of installation of the equipment.
29. Ex post monitoring and adjustment of corresponding Net Electricity Savings (NES_y):
 - (a) First ex post monitoring survey, carried out within the first year after installation of all efficient lighting equipment will provide a value for the number of project lamps placed in service and operating under the project activity. The results of this survey are used to determine the quantity of project lamps ($Q_{PJ,i}$) in the emission reduction calculation to determine the ex post Lamp Failure Rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) for use in ex post emission reduction calculations;
 - (b) Subsequent ex post monitoring surveys are carried out at the following intervals to determine the ex post Lamp Failure Rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) for use in ex post emission reduction calculations until such time as CERs are being requested, (choose either of the following two options that define the minimum requirement for the frequency of the survey):
 - (i) Once every three years;¹⁰
 - (ii) Once for every 30 per cent of the elapsed Rated Average Life of the lamp;
 - (c) The above ex post monitoring sampling surveys to determine Lamp Failure Rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) shall be conducted for each batch of project lamps. Alternatively, the result of a sampling survey of the first batch may be used as a proxy to subsequent batches (e.g. the Lamp Failure Rate in year 4 for the project lamps installed in year 1 could be used for the Lamp Failure Rate in year 5 for the project lamps installed in year 2);
 - (d) The surveys will consist of identifying project lamps, marked per paragraph 6, that are installed and operating. Only project lamps with an original marking can be counted as installed. While project lamps replaced as part of a regular maintenance or warranty program can be counted as operating, cannot be replaced as part of this monitoring survey process and counted as operating for the purposes of determining $Q_{PJ,i}$.
30. Changes to Lamp Failure Rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) and treatment of differences between Rated Average Life and Average Life for adjustment of Net Electricity Savings (NES_y): the Net Electricity Savings shall be modified for changes to the Lamp Failure Rate as may be

¹⁰ For example assuming a rated lifetime of 10,000 hours and annual hours of operation of 1,278, since the first ex post monitoring survey is done first year after installation of all efficient lighting equipment, the subsequent surveys take place every three years.

indicated by ex post monitoring survey results. The modifications shall be made using the following methods:

- (a) If the ex post monitoring surveys indicate that the failure rate is equal to or less than the $LFR_{i,y}$ value indicated using equation (3) with ex ante or prior year, ex post monitoring values, for subsequent years $LFR_{i,y}$ shall continue to be determined using equation (3) and the established Rated Average Life values for L_i ;
- (b) However, for subsequent years, L_i values in $LFR_{i,y}$ equation (3) shall be adjusted if the ex post monitoring surveys indicate that the failure rate ($LFR_{i,y}$) is greater than the value indicated using equation (3) with Rated Average Life or prior year, ex post monitoring values. In this situation, a new value for L_i shall be determined using equation (3) and new values of $LFR_{i,y}$ shall be used beginning from the first calculation year after completion of the ex post survey.¹¹

6. Monitoring methodology

- 31. Monitoring includes: (i) recording of lamp distribution data; and (ii) ex post monitoring surveys as defined in paragraph 29:
 - (a) During project activity implementation, the following data are to be recorded:
 - (i) Number of pieces of new equipment distributed under the project activity, identified by the type of equipment and the date of supply;
 - (ii) The number and power of the replaced devices;
 - (iii) Data to unambiguously identify the recipient of the new equipment distributed under the project activity;
 - (b) The emission reductions are calculated ex ante and adjusted ex post following the monitoring surveys, as described under paragraphs above.

6.1. Generic instructions for conducting the surveys and sampling

- 32. The following survey principles shall be followed for activities related to determining number of project lamps placed in service and operating under the project activity and, if required, determining the number of operating hours of baseline and project lamps:
 - (a) The sampling size is determined by minimum 90 per cent confidence interval and the 10 per cent maximum error margin; the size of the sample shall be no less than 100;

¹¹ For example, when the Rated Average Life L_i value is 6,000, ex-ante $LFR_{i,y}$ value for year 1 is calculated as 10.6 per cent using equation (3). In case, ex post monitored $LFR_{i,y}$ value for year 1 is 11 per cent, which is greater than 10.6 per cent, then a new value for L_i will be determined using equation (3) using the ex post $LFR_{i,y}$ of 11 per cent. The newly calculated L_i value will be 5,807. With this new L_i value, new ex ante values for $LFR_{i,y}$ for year 2 onwards will be calculated, i.e. 22 per cent in year 2, 33 per cent in year 3 and so on. If the second survey is to be done in year 4, the same exercise is repeated.

- (b) Sampling must be statistically robust and relevant that is the survey has a random distribution and is representative of target population (size, location);
- (c) The method to select respondents for interviews is random;
- (d) The survey is conducted by site visits;
- (e) Only persons over age 12 are interviewed;
- (f) The project document must contain the design details of the survey.

6.2. Parameters for monitoring during the crediting period

Data / Parameter table 1.

Data / Parameter:	$EF_{CO_2,ELEC,y}$
Data unit:	t CO ₂ e/kWh
Description:	CO ₂ emission factor of the grid electricity in year <i>y</i>
Measurement procedures (if any):	Follow the procedure described under AMS-I.D
Monitoring frequency:	Annual
Any comment:	-

Data / Parameter table 2.

Data / Parameter:	TD_y
Data unit:	Fraction
Description:	Average annual technical grid losses (transmission and distribution) during year <i>y</i> for the grid serving the locations where the devices are installed
Measurement procedures (if any):	<p>This value shall not include non-technical losses such as commercial losses (e.g. theft/pilferage). The average annual technical grid losses shall be determined using recent, accurate and reliable data available for the host country. This value can be determined from recent data published either by a national utility or an official governmental body. Reliability of the data used (e.g. appropriateness, accuracy/uncertainty, especially exclusion of non-technical grid losses) shall be established and documented by the project participant.</p> <p>A default value of 10 per cent shall be used for average annual technical grid losses, if no recent data are available or the data cannot be regarded accurate and reliable</p>
Monitoring frequency:	Annual
Any comment:	-

Data / Parameter table 3.

Data / Parameter:	$LFR_{t,y}$
Data unit:	Fraction

Description:	Lamp Failure Rate for equipment type <i>i</i> in year <i>y</i> (fraction)
Measurement procedures (if any):	Follow the procedures in paragraph 29 and 30
Monitoring frequency:	Follow the procedures in paragraph 29 and 30
Any comment:	-

6.3. Project activity under a programme of activities

33. Scrapping of replaced equipment to avoid leakage is addressed under paragraph 8, therefore no specific requirements are indicated.
34. The option in paragraph 29(c) which allows the use of the results of the sampling surveys of the first batch as a proxy to subsequent batches should only be applied to the same CPA to which the first batch belongs.

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