

To: Registration and Issuance Team of the CDM / CDM EB  
Cc: RINA SpA

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**Subject: Request for Review of CDM Project n°8084, "Alcoholes Del Istmo – Biomass energy plant"**

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Dear Registration and Issuance Team of the CDM,  
Dear DOE,

In response to the Request for Review raised by the CDM Executive Board and notified to RINA SpA (the DOE) on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June 2013 and considering the corresponding changes made in the Final Validation Report issued by RINA SpA, we confirm that the PDD of the project Alcoholes Del Istmo – Biomass energy plant" is in accordance with the herein-referred Request for Review.

"1) The DOE shall explain how it has validated the suitability of baseline scenario identified. In particular, the DOE shall explain how paragraph 23 of the "General Guidelines for SSC CDM Methodologies" has been complied with, given that the validation report on page 17 mentions that "The project activity modifies the current cogeneration plant" and that the new plant will generate surplus electricity that will be supplied to the grid. The DOE should clearly explain the steps taken to identify the most appropriate baseline scenario for the proposed project. The DOE should note that the calculation of baseline emissions may have to be revised if the baseline scenario is changed. Please refer to AMS-I.C. ver. 19, EB 69 Annex 27 and VVS para.81-84.

2) The DOE shall further explain how it has validated that the baseline parameters were calculated in line with paragraph 17, of the methodology, in particular: a) it is not clear how the "three years prior to project implementation" have been selected, given that data of 2005-2007 is used for the calculation of all the baseline parameters, while the project starting date is 31 March 2007, and b) whether the calculation of the efficiency of the existing baseline cogeneration plant was done in line with paragraph 28 of the methodology, considering that the baseline cogeneration plant was commissioned in 2007. Please refer to AMS-I.C. ver. 19 and VVS 90-91."

Sincerely,

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