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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (hereinafter referred to as the Board) shall ascertain whether: (a) the members present constitute a quorum, and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”.¹

Background: According to the Rules of procedure of the Board, at least two-thirds of the members of the Board, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** Members may wish to adopt the proposed agenda for the seventieth meeting.

Background: At its last meeting, the Board agreed on items to be included on the provisional agenda for its seventieth meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the Board on 29 October 2012 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC clean development mechanism (CDM) website in accordance with rule 21 of the Rules of procedure of the Board.

Agenda item 1.3. External input to items on the agenda of the meeting

3. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider external inputs to the annotated agenda of this Board meeting.

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, stakeholders have the opportunity to provide comments on the annotated agenda. Comments received will be posted on the UNFCCC CDM website.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

4. ► **Action:** Members of the Board may wish to provide statements on any potential conflict of interest concerning the issues on the agenda for the meeting, and take action, as appropriate.

Background: Following the request by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), through its decision 2/CMP.5, to publish statements of conflict of interest on the UNFCCC CDM website, members and

¹ Please refer to rule 28 of the Rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, decision 4/CMP.1 (FCCC/KP/CMP/2005/8/Add.1).

alternate members are requested to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the Board at each meeting.

Agenda item 2.2. Strategic planning and direction

5. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a concept note on the recommendations of the CDM Policy Dialogue, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations, and to assess which recommendations are within the mandate of the Board and what further work should be undertaken.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, took note of the final report on the CDM Policy Dialogue and requested the secretariat to provide an analysis of the recommendations of the panel, which recommendations are within its mandate, as well as what current work is relevant and which further actions could be taken.

6. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the draft CDM two-year business plan for and management plan 2013–2014, together with the appended draft CDM two-year management plan (CDM-MAP), as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-sixth meeting, agreed on its CDM two-year business plan and CDM-MAP for 2012, and agreed to review it for future periods, taking into account progress made and any new priorities identified.

Agenda item 2.3. Performance management

7. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the updated workplan of the Board for 2012, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered an update on the status of the work of the Board in 2012 and requested the secretariat to provide an update on the status of work at following meetings.

8. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the status report on the workplans of the CDM Accreditation Panel (CDM-AP), Methodologies Panel (Meth Panel), Small-Scale Working Group (SSC WG) and Afforestation/Reforestation Working Group (A/R WG) for 2012, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-sixth meeting, agreed to the workplans of its panels and working groups for 2012 and considered an update at its sixty-eighth meeting.

9. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the results of the performance monitoring of designated operational entities (DOEs).

Background: The Board, at its fifty-eighth meeting, adopted the “Procedure on performance monitoring of designated operational entities”, which states that the Board as the final decision-making body shall be provided with all relevant data on DOE performance for its decision-making.

10. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the synthesis report of the annual activity reports submitted by the DOEs for 2011–2012, as contained in annex 5 to these annotations.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 27(g) of the CDM modalities and procedures and paragraph 100 of the “CDM accreditation standard for operational entities” version 4.0, DOEs shall submit an annual CDM activity report to the Board.

Agenda item 2.4. Matters related to the Board and its support structure

11. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree on a tentative calendar of meetings for 2013, as contained in annex 6 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, agreed to hold six meetings in 2013 and requested the secretariat to prepare a draft calendar of meeting for 2013 for consideration at its next meeting.

12. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a report on secretariat activities for enhancing regional distribution of CDM project activities, as contained in annex 7 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, agreed to take all actions within its authority to enhance the distribution of CDM projects, project types and programmes in those countries, regions and sub-regions currently underrepresented in the CDM.

13. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider an update on the work on the CDM registry relating to monitoring periods covering both commitment periods.

Background: To ensure operational capacity in the operation of the CDM, the Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, requested the secretariat to ensure the support of issuances at the end of the commitment period.

14. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a status report on database improvements for managing contact data for project participants and focal points.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, agreed on the database improvements for managing contact data for project participants and focal points and requested the secretariat to report on the improvements at the seventieth meeting of the Board.

15. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a forecast of submissions by DOEs, as contained in annex 8 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-eighth meeting, considered a concept note on an improved system to predict long-term submissions, with a view to ensuring operational capacity and improving efficiency in the operation of the CDM and requested the secretariat to regularly report on the implementation of this requirement.

Agenda item 2.5. Operation of panels and working groups

(a). CDM Accreditation Panel

16. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 62nd meeting of the CDM-AP.

Background: The CDM-AP held its 62nd meeting on 15–19 October 2012 in Bonn, Germany.

(b). Methodologies Panel

17. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel.

Background: The Meth Panel held its 58th meeting on 15–19 October 2012 in Bonn, Germany. The Meth Panel dealt with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

(c). Small-Scale Working Group

18. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The SSC WG held its 39th meeting on 9–12 October 2012 in Bonn, Germany. The SSC WG dealt with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

(d). Afforestation and Reforestation Working Group

19. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The A/R WG held its 37th meeting on 29–31 October 2012 in Bonn, Germany. The A/R WG dealt with case-specific issues, methodological clarifications, guidance and other issues, as specified below.

Agenda item 3. Rulings

Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation

20. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to:
- (a) Consider a recommendation of the CDM-AP on the outcome of a spot-check;
 - (b) Accredit applicant entities for sector specific validation and verification/certification functions;
 - (c) Re-accredit DOEs for sector-specific validation and verification/certification functions;
 - (d) Consider a recommendation of the CDM-AP on extension of accreditation of a DOE undergoing re-accreditation assessment;
 - (e) Consider a recommendation of the CDM-AP on a complaint received against a DOE;
 - (f) Take note of the notifications from the CDM-AP on the results of regular on-site surveillances;

- (g) Take note of the notifications from the CDM-AP on the results of performance assessments;
- (h) Take note of the notification from the CDM-AP on the voluntary withdrawal of accreditation of a DOE from selected sectoral scopes.

Background: In accordance with the accreditation procedure, the recommendations for accreditation and the supporting documentation will be sent to Board members and alternates under separate cover under confidentiality.

Agenda item 3.2. Programme of activities

- 21. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of registration of programme of activities (PoAs).

Background: The information available in the section on “Programme of Activities” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/ProgrammeOfActivities/index.html>>) indicates the status of PoAs submitted for registration as a single CDM project activity.

Agenda item 3.3. Registration

- 22. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of registration.

Background: The information available on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/projsearch.html>>) indicates the status of project activities submitted for registration.

- 23. ► **Action:** The Board shall consider the documentation for three requests for registration as listed in table 1 below, for which a review was commenced.

Background: Three or more members of the Board or a Party involved requested a review of the requests for registration listed in table 1 below. The subsequent assessments of the secretariat and the RIT (Registration and Issuance Team) Team contained different proposed decisions (i.e. one to register and the other to reject) or the same proposed decisions (both to register or to reject) but received an objection from a member of the Board. In accordance with the “Procedures for review of requests for registration”, adopted by the Board at its fifty-fifth meeting, for each case listed in table 1 below, the Board shall decide whether to register the project activity or to reject the request for registration.

Table 1: Request for registration review cases for which assessments of the secretariat and the RIT Team contain different proposed decisions or an objection by a member of the Board was received

Ref No.	Title	Register	Reject
5735	Metro Line 12, Mexico City	?	?
5975	Saraff Energy EFB to electricity project	?	?
5984	Linjiang Erqi MSW Incineration for Power Project	?	?

Agenda item 3.4. Issuance

24. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take stock of the progress of issuance and the operation of the CDM registry.

Background: The information available in the section on “Issuance of CERs” on the UNFCCC CDM website (<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Issuance>>) indicates the status of requests for issuance.

25. ► **Action:** The Board shall consider the documentation for four requests for issuance, for which a review was commenced, as listed in table 2 below.

Background: Three or more members of the Board or a Party involved requested a review of the issuance requests listed in table 2 below. The subsequent assessments of the secretariat and the RIT Team contained different proposed decisions (i.e. one to approve and the other to reject) or the same proposed decision (both to approve or to reject) but received an objection from a member of the Board. In accordance with the “Procedures for review of requests for issuance of CERs”, adopted by the Board at its sixty-fourth meeting, for each case listed in table 2 below, the Board shall decide whether to approve or to reject the request for issuance.

Table 2: Request for issuance review cases for which assessments of the secretariat and the RIT Team contain different proposed decisions or an objection by a member of the Board was received

Ref. No.	Title	Monitoring Period	No. of CERs	Approve	Reject
0001	Project for GHG emission reduction by thermal oxidation of HFC 23 in Gujarat, India	1 January 2012–12 February 2012	1025959		
0868	No.2 HFC-23 Decomposition Project of Zhejiang Juhua Co., Ltd, P. R. China	1 October 2011–31 December 2011	1351544		
2654	Codana Biogas Project (CBP)	18 January 2010–31 May 2011	42131		
3391	Shandong Huaneng Shouguang 49.5MW Wind Farm Project	25 December 2010–24 December 2011	94409		

26. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the request for permission to resubmit three previously rejected requests for issuance listed in table 3 below.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 33 of annex 4 to the report of the sixty-fourth meeting of the Board, in cases where the reasons for rejection can be addressed by means of a revised verification report, based on a revised monitoring report, if

appropriate, the DOE may request, explaining the reasons, permission to submit a revised request for issuance for the same monitoring period covered by the rejected request for issuance. In this case, the request for permission to re-submit a request for issuance shall be submitted within 60 days of publication of the final ruling of the rejected request for issuance.

Table 3: Request for resubmission of previously rejected requests for issuance

Ref. No.	Title	Monitoring period
1609	Anshan Iron and Steel Group Corporation (Anshan) Blast Furnace Gas Combined Cycle Power Plant Project	1 March 2010–30 September 2010
1664	Mianyang Landfill Gas Utilisation Project	25 February 2011–24 August 2011
2924	Ningxia Federal Solar Cooker Project	12 February 2010–31 October 2010

27. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the request for permission to resubmit three previously withdrawn requests for issuance listed in table 4 below.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 9(c) of annex 33 to the report of the fifty-fourth meeting of the Board, in cases where the request for issuances that have received request for review are withdrawn, if the DOE intends to resubmit the request for issuance for the same monitoring period after such a withdrawal, the DOE shall request permission from the Board to resubmit such a request.

Table 4: Request for resubmission of previously withdrawn requests for issuance

Ref. No.	Title	Monitoring period
0098	4.5 MW Maujhi Grid-connected SHP in Himachal Pradesh, India	1 January 2008–31 December 2008
2307	Federal Intertrade Pengyang Solar Cooker Project	1 May 2010–31 October 2010
2311	Federal Intertrade Hong-Ru River Solar Cooker Project	1 November 2010–31 October 2011

28. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to continue considering the submission by a DOE with regard to the request for approval of changes from the registered PDD, as listed in table 5 below, taking into account the technical input provided by the Meth Panel at its 58th meeting.

Background: In accordance with the “Procedures for notifying and requesting approval of changes from the project activity as described in the registered PDD”, the Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered the submission with regard to notification of changes for “Recovery of associated gas that would otherwise be flared at Kwale oil-gas processing plant, Nigeria” (0553) submitted by the DOE (RINA) and requested the Meth Panel to provide technical inputs regarding the applicability and monitoring of approved methodology AM0009, version 02, with respect to the changes proposed for the project activity. The Board, according to these procedures, shall decide whether to: (a) accept the changes and allow the subsequent requests for issuance; (b) accept the changes

and allow the subsequent requests for issuance, but limit the CERs up to the level estimated in the original PDD; or (c) reject the changes and not allow the subsequent requests for issuance.

Table 5: Notification of request for approval of changes from the registered PDD

Ref No.	Title	Type
0553	Recovery of associated gas that would otherwise be flared at Kwale oil-gas processing plant, Nigeria	Request

Agenda item 4. Regulatory matters

Agenda item 4.1. Standards/tools

(a). Standards for CDM project activities and programme of activities

29. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider regulatory documents and concept note relating to standardized baselines, as contained in annex 9 to these annotations.

Background: The Board at its sixty-ninth meeting considered the draft standard for CDM project activities using standardized baselines, the draft standard for validation and verification of CDM project activities using standardized baselines and the draft revised guidelines for completing the proposed new baseline and monitoring methodology form to incorporate provisions for standardized baselines and requested the secretariat to present draft documents for consideration by the Board at its seventieth meeting, also taking into account relevant public comments received. At its sixty-ninth meeting, the Board also considered an updated concept note on “the impact of update of standardised baselines on the CDM project activities. The Board requested the secretariat to launch a call for public inputs on the concept note and undertake an analysis of the options related to the impact of update of standardized baselines on new and registered CDM projects, taking into account the public comments received, and to provide a proposal for the consideration by the Board.

30. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the revision to regulatory documents due to introduction or changes to provisions related to PoA, as contained in annex 10 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered a concept note and the work programme on improving standards, guidelines and procedures related to PoAs and requested the secretariat to propose clarifications or revisions to the PoA-related regulatory documents as appropriate for the consideration of the Board at its seventieth meeting.

31. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the draft “Tool for demonstration and assessment of additionality” and the draft “Combined tool to identify the baseline scenario and demonstrate additionality”, as contained in annex 11 and annex 12 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, agreed to improve the guidelines on first-of-its-kind and the assessment of common practice and related documentation.

32. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the draft standardized baseline “Grid emission factor for the Southern African power pool”, as contained in annex 13 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, agreed to develop work on standardized baselines, as requested by the CMP at its seventh session.

33. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a concept note on the development of carbon capture and storage (CCS) requirements for the CDM project standard, validation and verification standard, project cycle procedure, as contained in annex 14 to these annotations.

Background: The CMP, through its decision 10/CMP.7 on modalities and procedures for CCS, requested the Board to adopt relevant documents as defined in the hierarchy of documents of the Board, drawing on technical and legal expertise and striving to ensure a high degree of conservativeness.

(i). Guidelines (CDM project activities and programme of activities)

34. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider draft guideline establishment of standardized baselines for afforestation and reforestation project activities under the CDM, as contained in annex 15 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-eighth meeting, considered the draft guidelines on the establishment of sector-specific standardized baselines with expanded applicability to afforestation and reforestation projects and requested the secretariat to revise the draft in accordance with the comments provided for consideration by the Board at its seventieth meeting.

35. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree to incorporate the clarification previously provided by the Board into the guidelines for completing the monitoring report form.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-second meeting, agreed to clarify that project participants may choose to adjust monitoring periods to coincide with the end of the first commitment period and requested the secretariat to ensure that appropriate actions are taken to address potential technical implications from handling submissions of requests for issuance with such monitoring periods. In order to guide project participants when using the appropriate form, the clarification of the Board is required to be incorporated in the current guidelines.

(b). Methodological standards for large-scale CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (large-scale)

36. ► **Action:** Taking into consideration the inputs from experts (desk reviewers), the public, and the recommendations of the Meth Panel, the Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the proposed new methodologies:

- (a) AM00XX: “Model shift in transportation of liquid fuels” , as contained in annex 1 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel. The proposed new methodology is applicable to project activities that result in modal shift from road transportation to pipeline transportation to transport liquid fuels;
- (b) AM00XX: “Abatement of greenhouse gases in semi conductor manufacturing”, as contained in annex 2 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel. The proposed new methodology is applicable for project activities abating fluorinated greenhouse gasses in existing semiconductor manufacturing facilities.

Background: The recommendations agreed by the Meth Panel are contained in paragraph 18 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel, which is available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

37. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation not to approve the proposed new methodology “NM0357 "Methodology for Rail Projects”.

Background: The recommendation agreed by the Meth Panel is contained in paragraph 19 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel available on the UNFCCC CDM website <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/meth/index.html>>.

38. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation by the Meth Panel to withdraw the approved methodologies:

- (a) AM0034 “Catalytic reduction of N₂O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants”;
- (b) AM0051 “Secondary catalytic N₂O destruction in nitric acid plants”.

Background: The Meth Panel recommended the withdrawal of these methodologies as they have been incorporated into the revised ACM0019 “N₂O abatement from nitric acid production” (see paragraphs 27(j) and 34 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel).

(ii). Revisions and amendments of approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

39. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the following responses to requests for revision, as referred to in the Meth Panel report. The responses are provided in table 5 in paragraph 24 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel:

- (a) To accept request AM_REV_0235 regarding AM0035 “SF₆ Emission Reductions in Electrical Grids”;
- (b) To accept request AM_REV_0245 regarding ACM0019 “N₂O abatement from nitric acid production”;
- (c) To accept request AM_REV_0247 regarding AM0084 “Installation of cogeneration system supplying electricity and chilled water to new and existing consumers”.
- (d) Not to accept request AM_REV_0246 regarding ACM0008 "Consolidated methodology for coal bed methane, coal mine methane and ventilation air methane capture and use for power (electrical or motive) and heat and/or destruction through flaring or flameless oxidation".

Background: Information on revisions to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website
<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/revisions>>.

40. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the revisions/amendments to the following approved methodologies and tools:
- (a) AM0028 “N₂O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric Acid or Caprolactam Production Plants”. The methodology was last revised at the sixtieth meeting of the Board and with reference to paragraph 34 of the report, the draft revision as contained in annex 3 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel:
 - (i) Removes all references to nitric acid plants;
 - (ii) Changes the title from “N₂O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric Acid or Caprolactam Production Plants” to “N₂O destruction in the tail gas of Caprolactam production plants”;
 - (b) AM0031 “Bus rapid transit projects”. The methodology was last revised at the sixty-fifth meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 4 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel:
 - (i) Removes all references to consider N₂O emissions for baseline and project emissions;
 - (ii) Introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;
 - (c) AM0035 “SF₆ Emission Reductions in Electrical Grids”. The methodology was approved at the twenty-sixth meeting of the Board and the draft revision, based on AM_REV_0235 and as contained in annex 5 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel, expands the applicability of the methodology to cases where no historical information to calculate the baseline emissions is available;
 - (d) AM0044 “Energy efficiency improvement projects: boiler rehabilitation or replacement in industrial and district heating sectors”. The methodology was approved at the twenty-eighth meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 6 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel removes the reference to a fixed crediting period and introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;
 - (e) AM0084 “Installation of cogeneration system supplying electricity and chilled water to new and existing consumers”. The methodology was approved at the fifty-first meeting of the Board and the draft revision, based on AM_REV_0247, and as contained in annex 7 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel, includes equations for the estimation of baseline emissions currently missing and corrects notations and typographical errors where applicable;
 - (f) AM0086 “Installation of zero energy water purifier for safe drinking water application”. The methodology was last revised at the fifty-eighth meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 8 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel removes the reference to a fixed crediting period and introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;

- (g) AM0092 “Substitution of PFC gases for cleaning Chemical Vapour Deposition (CVD) reactors in the semiconductor industry”. The methodology was approved at the sixty-second meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 9 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel:
 - (i) Fixes an error in the calculation of the use rates of different PFC gases (equation 2);
 - (ii) Removes the reference to a fixed crediting period and introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;
- (h) AM0094 “Distribution of biomass based stove and/or heater for household or institutional use”. The methodology was approved at the sixty-second meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 10 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel removes the reference to a fixed crediting period and introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;
- (i) AM0104 “Interconnection of electricity grids in countries with economic merit order dispatch”. The methodology was approved at the sixty-seventh meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 11 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel removes the reference to a fixed crediting period and introduces provisions and guidance for project proponents for the renewal of the crediting period;
- (j) ACM0019 “N₂O abatement from nitric acid production”. The methodology was last revised at the sixty-first meeting of the Board and with reference to paragraph 34 of the report, the draft revision, based on AM_REV_0245 and as contained in annex 12 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel:
 - (i) Provides default emission factors that can be adopted at the renewal of the crediting period for projects currently using AM0028 and AM0034 for nitric acid production project activities;
 - (ii) Allows project participants to assume emission reductions as zero whenever the project emissions exceed the baseline emission benchmark;
 - (iii) Incorporates provisions from AM0034 “Catalytic reduction of N₂O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants” and AM0051 “Secondary catalytic N₂O destruction in nitric acid plants” (see also paragraph 28 of the report on withdrawal of AM0034 and AM0051);
- (k) “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system”. The tool was last revised at the sixty-third meeting of the Board and the draft revised tool as contained in annex 13 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel and based on inputs received in response to the call for public inputs (open from 23 July to 1 August) and responses to questionnaires sent to DNAs:
 - (i) Introduces a standardized approach to enhance the use of the off-grid component and definitions for low-cost/must run and load shedding programs;
 - (ii) Introduces definitions for low-cost/must run and load shedding program;

- (iii) Clarifies how to treat biofuels and calculate the emission factor for power units older than 10 years under the baseline;
- (l) "Project and leakage emissions from road transportation of freight". The tool was last revised at the sixty-third meeting of the Board and the draft revised tool as contained in annex 14 to the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel expands applicability to freight transport by rail and provides default values to calculate project or leakage emissions from rail transportation of cargo.

Background: Information on the revisions to the methodologies is available under the section "Revisions and amendments of approved methodologies and tools" in the report of the fifty-eighth meeting of the Meth Panel.

41. ► **Action:** In response to the request contained in the report of the sixty-seventh meeting of the Board, paragraph 105 regarding revisions of methodologies to address suppressed demand, the Board may wish to consider not to revise the methodologies AM0086 and AM0094 as suppressed demand scenarios could not be clearly identified for these methodologies.

Background: The task of revising approved methodologies to address the issue of suppressed demand is also included in the Meth Panel workplan for 2012.

42. ► **Action:** The Meth Panel recommended that the Board consider the concept note as contained in annex 16 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel. The concept note outlines the Meth Panel's consideration of approaches for revision of AM0091 "Energy efficiency technologies and fuel switching in new buildings", including:
- (a) Expansion of applicability to retrofitting of existing buildings;
 - (b) Reducing data requirements for baseline setting by simplification of surveys and introduction of a modelling approach.

Background: Consideration of standardized approaches in approved or new methodologies or tools for energy efficiency in buildings is included in the Meth Panel workplan for 2012.

(iii). Clarifications (large-scale)

43. ► **Note:** The Board may wish to take note of the responses to the requests for clarifications AM_CLA_TOOL_0017, CLA_TOOL_0018 and AM_CLA_0236 to AM_CLA_0239 as provided by the Meth Panel and referred to in its report (see table 7 in paragraph 40 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel). Information on the clarifications to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/clarifications>>.
44. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to agree to the clarification contained in annex 15 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel, prepared in response to the identification of an anomaly in annex 2 of the methodology ACM0012 "Consolidated baseline methodology for GHG emission reductions from waste energy recovery projects": Assessment of extent of use of WECM in the existing facility.

Background: In responses to the requests for clarifications on the revision of ACM0012 "Consolidated baseline methodology for GHG emission reductions from waste energy recovery projects", the Meth Panel continued its work on revising the methodology

ACM0012 with a view to incorporate the guidelines, procedures and clarifications issued since the last revision (version 04.0.0 valid from 15 April 2011).

(iv). Guidelines (large-scale)

45. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider of the feedback provided by the Meth Panel to the secretariat on possible improvements of the "Guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baseline" version 02.0, as contained in the annex 18 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel.

Background: While considering the submission PSB-0001, a need was identified by the Meth Panel to analyse options for possible improvement of the "Guidelines for the establishment of sector specific standardized baseline" version 02.0. The Meth Panel considered a presentation by the secretariat on the standardized baseline regulatory framework including the implementation of the guidelines, and agreed to provide its views on possible improvements of the guidelines.

46. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the clarifications provided for the "Guidelines on the assessment of investment analysis", as contained in annex 19 of the report of the 58th meeting of the Meth Panel and take note that the Meth Panel agreed to assess the need for updating the default values for the expected return on equity at a future meeting in 2013.

Background: This issue was identified by the secretariat during the assessment of projects and entities.

(c). Methodological standard for small-scale CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (small-scale)

47. ► **Action:** Taking into consideration the inputs from experts (desk reviewers) and the public, the Board may wish to consider the recommendations to approve the proposed new methodologies:

- (a) SSC-III.BE "Avoidance of methane and nitrous oxide emissions from sugarcane pre-harvest burning through mulching", in response to the submission SSC-NM079-rev, as contained in annex 1 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The proposed new methodology is applicable to project activities involving mulching of biomass that aim to avoid methane and nitrous oxide emissions from sugarcane biomass that would otherwise have been burned openly in an uncontrolled manner;
- (b) SSC-III.BF "Reduction of N₂O emissions from use of Nitrogen Use Efficient (NUE) seeds that require less fertilizer application", in response to submission SSC-NM082-rev2, as contained in annex 2 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The proposed new methodology is applicable to project activities that aim to avoid the emission of nitrous oxide to the atmosphere by using a genetically distinct type of seed for crops that will utilize nitrogen more efficiently and therefore require less fertilizer than conventional seeds. The result of this reduced fertilizer use will be lower nitrous oxide emissions than would otherwise occur as a result of nitrification and denitrification in the soil;

- (c) SSC-III.BG “Emission reduction through sustainable charcoal production and consumption”, in response to the submission SSC-NM084-rev, as contained in annex 3 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The proposed new methodology is for new and efficient charcoal production technologies using renewable biomass aimed at displacing the production of charcoal in unimproved traditional kilns that use non-renewable biomass. The charcoal is supplied to identified consumers (e.g. households, SMEs) included in the project boundary thereby leading to emission reductions.

Background: The recommendations agreed by the SSC WG are contained in paragraph 12 of the report to the 38th meeting of the SSC WG available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ssc_wg/index.html>.

- 48. ► **Action** : The Board may wish to consider to launch a call for public input on the draft new methodology SSC II.R “Energy efficiency space heating measures for residential buildings”, as contained in annex 10 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. An information note with questions on specific issues related to the draft new methodology is contained in annex 11 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The SSC WG recommends not to continue the work on the top-down revisions of the methodologies AMS-II.E “Waste energy recovery (gas/heat/pressure) projects” and AMS-III.AE “Energy efficiency and renewable energy measures in new residential buildings”, which were part of the on-going work on revising methodologies top-down, as mandated by the Board in the SSC WG workplan 2012. Instead, the SSC WG prepared a new methodology top-down for space heating in residential buildings, with an option to focus on rural areas subject to further interaction with stakeholders.

(ii). Revisions and amendments of approved methodologies and tools (small-scale)

- 49. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the revisions to the following approved methodologies:
 - (a) AMS-III.AJ “Recovery and recycling of materials from solid wastes”, as contained in annex 4 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The revision, prepared in response to the submission SSC_640, expands the applicability of the methodology to project activities for the recovery and recycling of polypropylene to process it into intermediate or finished products;
 - (b) AMS-III.S “Introduction of low-emission vehicles/technologies to commercial vehicle fleets”, as contained in annex 5 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The revision, prepared in response to the submission SSC_649, aims to increase clarity on, inter alia:
 - (i) The requirement for identifying vehicle routes in the methodology;
 - (ii) Baseline determination for non-standard vehicles;
 - (iii) Scrapping of replaced vehicles in the case of PoAs;
 - (c) AMS-II.G “Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass”, as contained in annex 6 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The revision, prepared in response to the submission SSC_654, also

incorporates elements regarding the submissions SSC_659 and SSC_660 and addresses issues including:

- (i) Clarification on monitoring requirements under different options;
 - (ii) Provision of a wood to charcoal conversion factor;
- (d) AMS-III.D “Methane recovery in animal management systems”, as contained in annex 7 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The proposed top-down revision takes into account inputs received in response to the call for public inputs launched by the Board at its sixty-seventh meeting. The SSC WG further recommended that the Board to take note of the information note prepared on the rationale and justification of the approach developed on additionality of project activities under AMS-III.D, as contained in annex 8 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. The draft revision of AMS-III.D includes:
- (i) Simplified requirements for project activities that utilize recovered methane for power generation, in which case the amount of methane captured may be calculated, based on the amount of electricity generation;
 - (ii) Alignment with the tool “Project and leakage emissions from anaerobic digesters for anaerobic digestion”;
 - (iii) Conditions under which project activities are considered to be automatically additional.
- (e) AMS-III.AR “Substituting fossil fuel based lighting with LED/CFL lighting systems”, as contained in annex 9 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. In response to the review of the definition of “household” and the five-lamp limit per household under the methodology, the SSC WG agreed to revise AMS-III.AR to remove the restriction of number of lamps to be distributed per household and introduce a new provision to address efforts to encourage lamp use and discourage hoarding;
- (i) This revision is consistent with the progression of AMS-II.J “Demand-side activities for efficient lighting technologies” which originally called for restricting the number of lamps per household distributed through the project activity. However, in the current version of AMS-II.J, restricting the number of lamps is only one option of several to limit undesired secondary market effect;
 - (ii) Given the cost of LED and CFL lamps that replace kerosene lamps there is less concern with secondary effects. However, for conservativeness, and similar to provisions of AMS-II.J, the revision to AMS-III.AR calls for the design document to describe how the activity will "encourage the consumers, targeted by the project activity, to use the project lamps and discourage hoarding and thus non-use, of the project lamps";
 - (iii) The SSC WG is of the view that these changes would not impact on the environmental integrity of the methodology, but will reduce the cost of implementation and documentation.

Background: Information on revisions to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at
<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/SSCmethodologies/clarifications>>.

50. ► **Action:** As per the procedures for the revision of an approved small-scale methodology, the Board may wish to take note that the revision to the following approved methodology was deemed not suitable for recommendation to the Board:

- (a) Revision of AMS-III.BA “Recovery and recycling of materials from E-waste”. In response to the submission SSC_658 requesting revision of AMS-III.BA to cover recycling and recovery of refrigerants and foam.

Background: The information and rationale are contained in paragraph 20 of the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG.

51. ► **Action :** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation by the SSC WG not to continue working on:

- (a) Regional default values for fuel wood consumption;
- (b) The revision of AMS I.E “Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user” and AMS-II.G “Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable” to address suppressed demand.

Background: In line with the SSC WG workplan 2012, the SSC WG conducted work on top-down small-scale methodologies using standardized approaches which included the development of regional default values for fuel wood consumption, to be made available for projects in the rural energy sector (biomass), but concluded that there is a huge variation in available data on fuel wood consumption, which makes the use of regional default values unfeasible. The SSC WG agreed that there is paucity of reliable data on amount of wood fuel use in different geographic locations and there are numerous end-user technologies that are used with significant heterogeneity in the type of application. Therefore, it is difficult to determine universally applicable minimum service levels for inclusion in the methodologies to integrate suppressed demand; on the other hand the SSC WG noted that the methodology already includes methods that take into account the wood fuel usage during the project period implicitly allowing for suppressed demand to be accounted for.

52. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider whether to revise or to retain current requirements of limited crediting period in accordance with the information note contained in annex 12 to the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG.

Background: The information note referred to above covers the background of this task, the rationale behind this requirement in methodologies, projects using the methodologies having this requirement and a suggested approach to be introduced in these methodologies. Limitations that restrict the methodology to a fixed crediting period are included is (e.g. “AMS-II.J: Demand-side activities for efficient lighting technologies”, AMS-II.N “Demand-side energy efficiency activities for installation of energy efficient lighting and/or controls in buildings”, AMS III.AR “Substituting fossil fuel based lighting with LED/CFL lighting system”, and AMS-II.L “Demand-side activities for efficient outdoor and street lighting technologies”).

(iii). Clarifications (small-scale)

53. ► **Note:** The Board may wish to take note of the responses to the requests for clarifications SSC_647, SSC_650–SSC_653, SSC_655–SSC_657 and SSC_659–SSC_660, as provided in paragraphs 24 to 34 of the report of the 39th meeting of the SSC WG. Information on the clarifications to methodologies is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/SSCmethodologies/clarifications>>.

(d). Methodological standards for afforestation and reforestation CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (afforestation and reforestation)

54. ► **Action:** Taking into consideration the inputs from experts (desk reviewers), the public, and the recommendations of the A/R WG, the Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the proposed new consolidated baseline and monitoring methodology AR-ACM00X “Afforestation and reforestation of lands except wetlands”, as contained in annex 1 to the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG. The new consolidated methodology:
- (a) Incorporates relevant decisions and clarifications issued by the Board up to the date for publication of the report of the sixty-ninth meeting of the Board;
 - (b) Is applicable to A/R project activities on lands except for wetlands;
 - (c) Fully consolidates eleven A/R methodologies into this methodology, which will no longer be required and are recommended for withdrawal in paragraph 18 of the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG.

Background: The recommendation agreed by the A/R WG is contained in paragraph 13 to the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG. Information on the A/R WG group report is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar/index.html>>.

(ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (afforestation and reforestation)

55. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to approve the revision/amendment to the following A/R CDM methodologies and tools:
- (a) AR-AM0014 “Afforestation and reforestation of degraded mangrove habitats”. The methodology was adopted at the sixty-first meeting of the Board and the draft revision as contained in annex 2 to the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG:
 - (i) Incorporates relevant decisions and clarifications issued by the Board up to the date for publication of the report of the sixty-ninth meeting of the Board;
 - (ii) Is applicable to A/R project activities when the land falls in the degraded mangrove category;
 - (iii) Simplifies the requirements for accounting for leakage by removing the reference to fuel wood collection;
 - (b) Tool “Estimation of carbon stocks and change in carbon stocks of trees and shrubs in A/R CDM project activities”. This tool was last revised at the sixtieth

meeting of the Board. The draft revised tool as contained in annex 3 and based on inputs received in response to the call for public inputs (open on 23 July–1 August):

- (i) Provides clearer guidance on when to use which method for estimation of tree biomass or change in tree biomass;
- (ii) Provides guidance in cases where the uncertainty in estimation exceeds allowable maximum uncertainty.

Background: The recommendations for approval agreed by the A/R WG is contained in paragraph 17 to the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG. Information on the A/R WG group report is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar/index.html>.

56. The Board may wish to consider the recommendation to withdraw the following 11 A/R CDM methodologies as they have been fully incorporated into the consolidated methodology AR-ACM00X “Afforestation and reforestation of lands except wetlands” recommend for approval:

- (a) AR-AM0002 “Restoration of degraded lands through afforestation/reforestation” (Moldova);
- (b) AR-AM0004 “Reforestation or afforestation of land currently under agricultural use”;
- (c) AR-AM0005 “Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented for industrial and/or commercial uses”;
- (d) AR-AM0007 “Afforestation and Reforestation of Land Currently Under Agricultural or Pastoral Use”;
- (e) AR-AM0009 “Afforestation or reforestation on degraded land allowing for silvopastoral activities”;
- (f) AR-AM0010 “Afforestation and reforestation project activities implemented on unmanaged grassland in reserve/protected areas”;
- (g) AR-AM0011 “Afforestation and reforestation of land subject to polyculture farming”;
- (h) AR-AM0012 “Afforestation or reforestation of degraded or abandoned agricultural lands”;
- (i) AR-AM0013 “Afforestation and reforestation of lands other than wetlands”;
- (j) AR-ACM0001 “Afforestation and reforestation of degraded land”;
- (k) AR-ACM0002 “Afforestation or reforestation of degraded land without displacement of pre-project activities”.

Background: The recommendation for withdrawal agreed by the A/R WG is contained in paragraph 18 to the report of the 37th meeting of the A/R WG. Information on the A/R WG group report is available on the UNFCCC CDM website at <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Panels/ar/index.html>.

Agenda item 4.2. Procedures

(a). Procedures related to project cycle

57. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the draft procedure development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools, as contained in annex 16 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered the draft procedure for the development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools and provided guidance on some areas in the draft. The Board requested the secretariat to prepare a final draft based on the guidance from the Board, for the consideration of the Board at its seventieth meeting.

58. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a concept note on revision of procedure for accrediting operational entities by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism, as contained in annex 17 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, decided to improve the performance and role-definition of operational entities within the mechanism, including through revised standards and procedures. This work covers, among others, the revision of the “Procedure for accrediting operational entities by the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism” (CDM accreditation procedure).

59. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider a concept note on improving the procedure on performance monitoring of DOEs, as contained in annex 18 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, through its CDM-MAP 2012, decided to improve the performance and role-definition of operational entities within the mechanism, including through revised standards and procedures.

60. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the revision to the draft procedure submission and consideration of microscale renewable energy technologies for automatic additionality, as contained in annex 19 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-eighth meeting, revised the “Guidelines for demonstrating additionality of microscale project activities” and requested that forms and procedures for DNA recommendations to approve special underdeveloped zones (SUZs) were developed.

Agenda item 4.3. Policy issues

61. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to invite the CMP to clarify whether CDM project activities and bundles may have multiple host Parties and whether CPAs (rather than PoAs) may have multiple host Parties. Such clarification is necessary to determine if the secretariat needs to proceed with an analysis and proposal to the Board on how to record host Parties in CERs issued for CDM project activities, CPAs or bundles that have multiple host Parties.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-sixth meeting, considered a concept note on recording host Parties in CERs issued for PoAs and requested the secretariat to prepare

an analysis and proposal on how to record the host Party originating emission reductions or removals in cases in which individual project activities, CPAs or bundled small-scale project activities have multiple host Parties.

62. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the draft tool sustainable development co-benefits of CDM project activities and PoAs at <https://www.research.net/s/SD_tool_vers7>, as referred to in annex 20 to these annotations.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered a draft voluntary tool for highlighting sustainable development co-benefits of CDM project activities and PoAs and requested the secretariat to prepare a revised draft taking into account the guidance from the Board.

63. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the assessment of the appropriate determination of plant load factors (PLFs) for wind power projects.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-third meeting, requested the secretariat to prepare an assessment on the technical approaches for the appropriate determination of PLFs for wind power projects with the assistance of a wind expert and a review of the determination of PLF by registered wind project activities, as compared to actual monitored PLFs achieved by these registered project activities.

64. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider operational changes that can be considered permanent and under control of project participants.

Background: The Board requested the secretariat, based on its observations of relevant cases, to prepare an analysis of possible means that can be used by the Board to determine how certain types of operational changes in the project activity can be considered permanent and within the control of project participants.

65. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider two submissions from two different DOEs with regard to the possibility to undertake verification activities for the PoAs which were originally validated by the same DOE.

Background: At its sixty-eighth meeting, the Board considered the request by a DOE to carry out the verification activity for a PoA validated by the same DOE. The request was submitted by the DOE in line with the VVS, paragraph 292, footnote 43. The Board rejected this request as no justification was provided by the DOE in its request. Further, the Board also agreed that the DOE could resubmit the request with a proper justification as to why it would like to undertake the verification activity for the same PoA for which the DOE had performed the validation.

66. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the rational of limiting post-registration changes to the start date of the crediting period to least developed countries (LDCs).

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered a confidential letter from a stakeholder relating to the post-registration changes to the start date of the crediting period and requested the secretariat to inform the Board at its next meeting about the rationale for limiting this provision to LDCs.

67. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to continue considering improvement of the local and global stakeholder consultation processes, as contained in annex 22 to the annotated agenda of the sixty-ninth meeting of the Board.

Background: The Board, at its sixty-ninth meeting, considered recommendations for improvement of the local and global stakeholder consultation processes and agreed to continue considering this matter at its next meeting.

Agenda item 5. Relation with forums and other stakeholders

Agenda item 5.1. Designated national authorities

(a). Information on activities related to DNAs

68. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of the capacity-building activities undertaken by the secretariat for designated national authorities (DNAs).

Background: The CDM-MAP 2012 provides for a number of capacity-building activities to be undertaken to improve the capacity of DNAs and the regional distribution of the CDM.

(b). Letters to the Board from DNAs

69. **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the following submission received and agree on any actions, as appropriate:

- (a) Request to reconsider the withdrawal guidance with respect to the report of the sixty-ninth meeting of Board paragraph 93(b), submitted by the DNA of Vanuatu.

Background: In accordance with the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, shall bring to the attention of the Board communications on policy, methodological and administrative issues when they require the attention or further guidance of the Board.

Agenda item 5.2. Designated operational entities

(a). Interaction with the DOE/AIE Forum Chair

70. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to interact with the CDM DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair.

Background: The “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders” provide for the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum Chair to interact with the Board at each meeting.

(b). Information on activities related to AEs/DOEs

71. ► **Action:** Board may wish to take note of activities undertaken with regard to applicant entities (AEs) and DOEs.

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the Board and its support structure are to provide avenues for interaction with AEs/DOEs, provision of information and capacity-building.

(c). Letters to the Board from AEs/DOEs

72. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the following submissions received and agree on any actions, as appropriate:

- (a) “Request for clarification regarding §93 and §94 of EB 69 meeting report on PoA start date, CPA crediting period and multiple real case CPAs needed for PoA registration” submitted by GLC (2012-167).

Background: In accordance with the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, shall bring to the attention of the Board communications on policy, methodological and administrative issues when they require the attention or further guidance of the Board.

Agenda item 5.3. Communication and activities with stakeholders

(a). Information on activities related to stakeholders

73. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to take note of activities undertaken with regard to stakeholders.

Background: Following the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the Board and its support structure are required to consult with stakeholders on policy matters that have a significant impact on them.

(b). Letters to the Board from stakeholder

74. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider the following submissions received from stakeholders and agree on any actions, as appropriate:

- (a) “IETA clarification to the annotated agenda of EB 69 on matters related to withdrawing or suspending letters of approval as per EB68 para 119.” submitted by IETA (2012-163);
- (b) “PDF position on withdrawal and suspension of LoAs” submitted by the Project Developer Forum (2012-179);
- (c) The following letters from various stakeholders expressing concerns about the \ decision with regard to submission of real case CPA (EB 69 report, paragraph 93:
- (i) 2012-166 submitted by the Asian Development Bank;
 - (ii) 2012-173 submitted by A&T Carbon Asset Co., Limited;
 - (iii) 2012-177 submitted by Beijing Jinhaihaitong Investment Consulting Co., Ltd.

Background: In accordance with the “Modalities and procedures for direct communication with stakeholders”, the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, shall bring to the attention of the Board communications on policy, methodological and administrative issues when they require the attention or further guidance of the Board.

Agenda item 5.4. Interaction with registered observers

75. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to: (a) agree to make itself available for informal briefings with registered observers in the afternoon of the last day of the meeting; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they participated.

Background: On the occasion of the previous meeting of the Board, the Chair and other members of the Board met with registered observers for an informal briefing and agreed to continue with such meetings in the afternoon of the last day of its future meetings, unless otherwise indicated.

Agenda item 6. Other matters

76. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to consider any other business it deems necessary.

Agenda item 7. Conclusion of the meeting

77. ► **Action:** The Board may wish to approve the report of the seventieth meeting.

Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Concept note on the recommendations of the CDM Policy Dialogue
- Annex 2 - Draft CDM two-year business plan for and management plan 2013–2014
- Annex 3 - CDM Executive Board workplan 2012
- Annex 4 - Status report on the workplans of the Accreditation Panel, Methodologies Panel, Small-Scale Working Group and Afforestation/Reforestation Working Group (2012)
- Annex 5 - Synthesis report of the annual activity reports submitted by the designated operational entities 2011–2012
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- Annex 19 - Draft procedure submission and consideration of microscale renewable energy technologies for automatic additionality

Annex 20 - Draft tool sustainable development co-benefits of CDM project activities and programme of activities

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