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08 March 2019

VALIDATING LETTER

For Letters of Approval in the name of Department of Environment, Community and Local Government to be transferred to Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment for its participation as project participant in projects implemented under Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol.

Dear Mr. Maughan

The Environmental Protection Agency, acting as Ireland's Designated National Authority in accordance with the *European Communities (Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading) Regulations 2012 (S.I. No. 490 of 2012)*, for the purposes of Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol and the decisions adopted pursuant to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol, hereby declares that:

1. The Letters of Approval issued to the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government authorizing it to act as a project participant in projects implemented under Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol are valid for the **Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment at 29-31 Adelaide Road, Dublin, D02 X285, IRELAND** for the Project References 4861, 8244, 4174, 3561 and 4176 (as detailed below).
2. This arises further to the change of legal name from Department of Environment, Community and Local Government to **Department of Communications, Climate Action and the Environment**.

3. The change in name of the Department and of the Minister was made pursuant to *Communications, Energy and Natural Resources (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2016*, Statutory Instrument Number 421 of 2016.
4. The functions of the Minister and Department were transferred by way of *Climate Action and Environment (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2016*, Statutory Instrument Number 393 of 2016.

On behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency


 Jacinta Ponzi
 08 March 2019

Project Reference:	4861
Project Title	Commercial reforestation on lands dedicated to extensive cattle grazing activities in the region of Magdalena Bajo Seco
CDM Web Link	http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/DB/TUEV-SUED1306749770.85/view

Project Reference:	8244
Project Title	Moldova Community Forestry Development Project
CDM Web Link	http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/DB/TUEV-SUED1352989843.61/view

Project Reference:	4174
Project Title	India: Himachal Pradesh Reforestation Project – Improving Livelihoods and Watersheds
CDM Web Link	http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/DB/TUEV-SUED1291278527.37/view

Project Reference:	3561
Project Title	Reforestation on Degraded Lands in Northwest Guangxi
CDM Web Link	http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/DB/TUEV-SUED1269622804.39/view

Project Reference:	4176
Project Title	Ibi Batéké degraded savannah afforestation project for fuelwood production (Democratic Republic of Congo)
CDM Web Link	http://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/DB/ErnstYoung1291309493.36/view

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Letter of Approval under Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol

Section 1: Project information

Project Reference:	4861
Project Title:	Commercial reforestation on lands dedicated to extensive cattle grazing activities in the region of Magdalena Bajo Seco
Project Participant:	Department of Environment, Community and Local Government
Host Party:	Colombia
Designated Operational Entity:	TUV SUD
Registry Account Number:	IE-121-142-0-18

Section 2: Authorisation

The Environmental Protection Agency, acting as Ireland's Designated National Authority in accordance with the Kyoto Protocol Flexible Mechanisms Regulations 2006 [SI 244 of 2006], for the purposes of Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol and the decisions adopted pursuant to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol, hereby confirms that:

1. Ireland ratified the Kyoto Protocol on 31 May 2002;
2. Ireland participates in the clean development mechanism on a voluntary basis;
3. This letter constitutes approval by the Environmental Protection Agency as required under paragraphs 33 and 40 of Decision 3/CMP.1, Modalities and Procedures for a clean development mechanism as defined in Article 12 of the Kyoto Protocol;

4. This letter also constitutes the Environmental Protection Agency's authorisation of the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government as a project participant in the *Commercial reforestation on lands dedicated to extensive cattle grazing activities in the region of Magdalena Bajo Seco*
5. In granting approval, the Environmental Protection Agency has not considered those matters that fall within the competence of:
 - a. Columbia
 - b. TUV SUD
 - c. The Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism;

To the extent that the issuance and subsequent transfer of certified emission reduction units is in accordance with paragraph 7(1)(b) of SI 244 of 2006, the Environmental Protection Agency does not intend to issue further instruction in respect of these transactions.

On behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency,



Dr Eimear Cotter

Authorised Person