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SALVADOR DA BAHIA LANDFILL GAS PROJECT:

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Preface and Acknowledgements

The document should be read in conjunction with two spreadsheets:

a) Salvador da Bahia Landfill Gas Project Baseline Workbook
b) Salvador da Bahia Landfill Gas Project Monitoring and Verification Workbook

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A. General description of project activity

A.1 Title of the project activity:

Salvador da Bahia Landfill Gas Project.

A.2. Description of the project activity:

The Salvador da Bahia landfill, known more correctly as Aterro Metropolitano do Centro (AMC), is located in a rural area, approximately 20km north-east of downtown Salvador. The site is on the metropolitan area of Salvador that includes 10 municipalities and the neighbouring area is residential. Although the total project area is 2,500,000 m^2, the area reserved for waste disposal will be 600,000 m^2. The landfill has a total capacity of 18,000,000 m^3 and receives approximately 850,000 tonnes/year of domestic waste. Current organic content of the waste is approximately 65%. VEGA, a wholly owned subsidiary of SUEZ Environnement, operates the existing landfill.

The Project involves installing equipment for methane destruction with capacity of 6,250 m^3/h in 2000 (expanding to 46,250 m^3/h in 2020). This equipment will consist of enclosed flaring with controlled burning condition.

The Project is designed to increase the waste disposal volume by optimising the waste decomposition over time (thereby increasing the landfill lifetime and postponing the necessity of a new landfill in another area). The project would make a strong contribution to sustainable development in Brazil. Over and above reducing emissions of GHGs, there are other strong merits related to sustainable development. The project is consistent with criteria that are mentioned in a discussion paper dated April 2002 on performance metrics for sustainable development for CDM projects in Brazil published by the Ministerio do Meio Ambiente (source: Ministerio do Meio Ambiente 2002, "*Criterios de Elegibilidade e Indicadores de Sustentabilidade para Avaliacao de Projetos que Contribuam para a Mitigacao das Mundancas Climaticas e para a Promocao do Desenvolvimento Sustentavel*."). The project, for example, would demonstrate the application of a world-class methane capture system in Brazil. Furthermore, VEGA has also proposed to voluntarily allocate 5% of value from net proceeds from sale of GHG emission reduction units to activities that would benefit the local community, environment, and economy. Like its parent company SUEZ, VEGA has a strong past record of demonstrating corporate social responsibility through such initiatives and sees this project as another opportunity to illustrate the benefits of such activities. In the past, VEGA has contributed to the local community by financing a capacity-building course for young scavengers from Salvador City and part of the construction of a sorting centre (operated by 80 ex-scavengers now organised as an independent co-operative). It would seek to build on these initiatives.

An additional key element of the contribution to sustainable development is the option that the project will provide to subsequently install landfill gas to energy (LFGTE) equipment that could produce electricity on the schedule shown in Table 1. As mentioned above, although the LFGTE element of the project might be eligible for CERs, it is being excluded from the calculation of CERs because its timing is uncertain, to make the project calculation more straightforward, and to use the most conservative baseline possible. Substitution of fossil fuel-based electricity by electricity generated from renewable sources is, however, another potential sustainable development benefit of the project.

Table 1: Potential Installation of Capacity and Estimated Electricity Production

Year	Installed Power	Annual electricity production (MWh)
2004-2005	8 MW	63,000
2006-2008	16 MW	126,000
2009-2013	24 MW	189,000
2014-2018	32 MW	252,000
2019-...	40 MW	315,000

A.3. Project participants:

Project Developers: VEGA Bahia Tratamento de Residuos S.A., (project sponsor)
Project Participant: SUEZ Environnement (project participant).
PDD Consultants: ICF Consulting (baseline study and MVP study)

A.4. Technical description of the project activity:

A.4.1. Location of the project activity:

A.4.1.1 Host country Party(ies): Brazil

A.4.1.2 Region/State/Province etc.: Estado da Bahia

A.4.1.3 City/Town/Community etc: Municipio de Salvador

A.4.1.4 Detail on physical location

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The geographic system boundaries of AMC includes the current plot of 72 hectares occupied by VEGA as well as a further 178 hectares to cover the landfill's expansion in subsequent phases outlined in the concession agreement between VEGA and the Municipal Government of Salvador da Bahia. The concession has validity for 20 years. The concession itself does not discuss biogas. However, the environmental license for the landfill specifies that there should be biogas capture without indicating a specific percentage capture rate. VEGA's original proposal to the Municipality BID is a contractual document and formed the basis for which it received its license to operate. This document included capture and destruction rates of between 19% and 24% over the life of the landfill.

A.4.2. Category(ies) of project activity

Landfill gas emission reduction project

A.4.3. Technology to be employed by the project activity:

VEGA, a wholly owned subsidiary of SUEZ Environnement, operates the existing landfill. SUEZ operates 237 landfills throughout the world (206 in Europe) with a total of 32.8 million tonnes of treated waste in 2001. Most of the landfills are equipped with biogas capture and treatment system, particularly those requiring compliance with European waste management regulations. In 2000, 16 of these landfills were equipped with a power generation unit and collectively produced 212,000 MWh using 115,000 m^3 of biogas. This technology therefore will represent leading-edge technology for landfill management and LFG capture within Brazil and will serve as a replicable model for other such projects.

A.4.4. Brief explanation of how the anthropogenic emissions of anthropogenic greenhouse gas (GHGs) by sources are to be reduced by the proposed CDM project activity, including why the emission reductions would not occur in the absence of the proposed project activity, taking into account national and/or sectoral policies and circumstances:

Anthropogenic emission of GHG at Salvador Landfill occurs when methane produced at the landfill is not destroyed.

The proposed CDM project activity pretends to better the landfill gas capture and destruction efficiency by increasing total amount of gas to be destroyed over the amount determined by the landfill concession contract.

Why the emission reductions will not occur in the absence of the proposed project activity ?

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It is not included in the contract an additional remuneration if Vega betters gas capture.
For that reason any investment or operational cost required to destroy more than the contractual amount is additional and will not have other form of remuneration than CERs.
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National and sectoral policies

In Brazil, the generation of municipal solid waste is estimated to be 228,413 tonnes/day (source: IBGE, National Survey on Basic Sanitation, 2000), with a variable regional composition. The amount of wastes generated varies from 0.4 to 0.9 kg/person/day. Final disposal and treatment practices around the country include: 60% of MSW disposed at uncontrolled open localities ("*lixões*") or landfills with some simple form of control, 36% in sanitary landfills, 3% in composting plants, 1% in sorting plants and 0.4% of the MSW is combusted. Typical recovery of methane or biogas is minimal and there is no regulatory requirement governing its recovery. A conservative estimate of 20% recovery of methane gas for passive systems has been considered as the best practice, based on a waste management industry benchmark and Vega's extrapolation of the results of the latest SITA research into this topic. (Source: "*measurement of biogás flow through different final cover at the Montebelluna Landfill – Italy*" – SITA/INERIS – December 2001). A new waste management policy ("*National Politic for Solid Waste*") has been under discussion for many years but currently no changes are anticipated to the existing national policy. There is therefore no national framework governing landfill practice and only technical norms issued by the Brazilian Association of Technical Norms (ABNT) without any technical requirement on LFG management.

The IBGE Study on basic sanitation for State of Bahia shows that in 2000, 60% of MSW was treated in inappropriate site or with simple control, and 39.4 % in sanitary landfills. (Source: www.ibge.gov.br)

With the sanitary landfill as the baseline, the proposed Salvador de Bahia Landfill Gas Management Project creates net real, verifiable, net GHG emission reductions. The principle mechanism is landfill methane avoided due to improved collection efficiency and destruction capacity. The current contractual obligation of Vega Bahia for the LFG collection and destruction system, as stipulated in the concession agreement between the Municipality of Salvador de Bahia and VEGA, only represents an estimated 19-24% of the methane that will be emitted from the entire landfill (source: FAIRTEC study December 2000.) This collection system and destruction capacity will be expanded and improved so that an estimated 75-80% of the methane will be destroyed.

As a result, the Project will result in the production of GHG emissions lower than would occur if the project were not implemented, i.e., in the baseline or business-as-usual scenario. Under an emission reduction purchase agreement (ERPA) to be developed by VEGA together with a purchasing party, the resulting emission reductions (ERs) would be obtained by *ex-post* review and verification of items identified in the monitoring and verification protocol (MVP). The MVP is being prepared by ICF Consulting (2002) in a companion document called *"Salvador de Bahia Landfill Gas Project: Monitoring and Verification Protocol*." Key items will include the total solid waste entering the landfill, recovered landfill gas flow rate, and percent of methane in the landfill gas. These records would clearly establish the amount of additional methane captured and destroyed over the baseline.

A.4.5. Public funding of the project activity:

None

B. Baseline methodology

B.1 Title and reference of the methodology applied to the project activity:

Contractual amount of landfill gas capture and flaring defined through public concession contract

Reference document: *VEGA, (1999): technical and commercial proposal to the BID 004/99 for the concession of Salvador de Bahia Landfill Design, Construction and Operation*

B.2. Justification of the choice of the methodology and why it is applicable to the project activity

The methodology was developed specifically based on Salvador de Bahia Landfill situation.

As a consequence, the conditions for the methodology to be applicable are respected :

- Landfill concession contract includes all responsibilities for landfill design, construction, operation, maintenance and monitoring ;
- Landfill management services are paid only through a fixed fee per ton of waste ;
- Landfill services invoicing is based exclusively on real waste entrance ;
- Concession contractual documents indicate a hypothetical annual quantity of waste entrance, over all contract duration ;
- Concession contractual documents clearly indicate an amount of landfill gas to be captured and flared, referenced to the hypothetical annual quantity of waste to be received, over all contract duration ;
- The landfill is operated with all required licences (environmental, ...) ;
- Energy production from landfill gas captured in addition to contractual amount will not happen without CDM project activity ;

In this project, the selection of baseline is relatively straightforward because of the existing contractual document, namely VEGA's original technical proposal, between VEGA and the municipality governing the volume of methane gas to be captured. The legal document covers the contractual lifetime of the landfill and therefore provides an actual, rather than a hypothetical, baseline for the entire creditable period for this project. It therefore presents the business-as-usual scenario that has been agreed to by all parties as a pre-condition for the concession for VEGA to operate the landfill.

Typical recovery of methane or biogas in Brazil is minimal and there is no regulatory requirement governing its recovery. A conservative estimate of 20% recovery of methane gas for passive systems has been considered as the best practice, based on a waste management industry benchmark and VEGA's extrapolation of the results of the latest SUEZ research into this topic. (Source: "*measurement of biogás flow through different final cover at the Montebelluna Landfill – Italy*" – SITA/INERIS – dec2001). A new waste management policy ("*National Politic for Solid Waste*") has been under discussion for many years but currently no changes are anticipated to the existing national policy. There is therefore no national framework governing landfill practice and only technical norms issued by the Brazilian

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B.3. Description of how the methodology is applied in the context of the project activity:

The calculation of baseline and project emissions must be estimated from the volume of landfill methane destroyed as measured in the project (in CO2eq) minus the volume indicated in the original technical proposal submitted to the Municipal Government of Salvador. There will be direct measurement of avoided emissions that will facilitate verification and confirmation that the project is yielding real, surplus emission reductions. The annual volume of methane emissions in the baseline stipulated in the technical proposal will be corrected to adjust for differences in the tonnes of actual waste entering the landfill. An advantage of this approach compared to similar projects in this source category is that it avoids any dependence on theoretical biogas generation models where assumptions are required for factors such as initial gas generation potential (*Lo)* and decay rate (*k)*.

The emissions from existing electricity generation and the avoided emissions from displaced electricity generation have not been used to calculate CERs to ensure a straightforward and conservative baseline. The avoided emissions are, however, a strong contributor to the overall sustainable development aspects of the project.

The net emissions (commonly referred to as the "emission reductions") from proposed landfill gas management project are calculated by:

Project Life-time Emission Reductions = Σ_{yr} (Annual Emissions Reductions) =
Σ_{yr} [($EmLandfill_{baseline}$ - $EmLandfill_{proj}$)

Where:

$EmLandfill_{baseline}$ = baseline emissions from landfilled waste
$EmLandfill_{proj}$ = project emissions from landfilled waste
Yr = project years

Methane Emission Reduction (ER_{CH4}) from project activity will be calculated as the difference between real capture and destruction of methane in project scenario and contractual amount.

$ER_{CH4} = CH4_{captured\ in\ project\ scenario} - CH4_{captured\ in\ baseline\ scenario}$

With definitions given in baseline methodology

Contractual amount was established based on call for tender technical requirement and economical consideration, i.e. maximum bearable cost that gas capture and destruction can represent within the total cost for Landfill. (see economical considerations in section A.4.4.)
Activity level is defined in the contract by the hypothetical quantity of waste that will be annually disposed at the landfill.
As the concessionaire is paid based on a fee per ton of waste really entering the site, amount of gas flared in baseline needs to be adjusted to real activity level. Amount of gas in baseline will

be then calculated on an annual basis, proportionally to the real waste entrance, through the following equation:

$LFG_{captured\ in\ baseline\ scenario} = LFG_{captured\ in\ concession\ contract} \times (WASTE_{really\ disposed} / WASTE_{disposed\ in\ contract\ scenario})$

With definition given in Baseline methodology.

It is possible to use the methodology, as the concession contract identify the percentage of methane considered in the landfill gas contractual amount that would be captured in baseline scenario.
Figures are given in anex 5 to PDD.

Real amount of methane captured and flared will be directly and continuously monitored as indicated in monitoring methodology.

Discussion on the conservatism of the baseline methodology when applied to Salvador project

Can we consider that the contractual amount represent a performance among the top 20% of its category ?

Previous studies including World Bank studies, as well as a recent study of Brazilian Environment Ministry still to be published, clearly show that gas capture and flaring is not conducted in more than 90% of Brazilian landfills.

The Salvador de Bahia Landfill, as designed by Vega in its technical proposal, is probably the only municipal landfill in Brazil that respect European technical standard in relation to bottom lining system, including a complete drainage layer, and in relation with water management.
In the same way, Landfill gas management system indicated in that technical proposal includes an active gas capture network and flaring capacity, defining a contractual volume of gas to be destroyed that represent approximately 25% of projected Landfill gas production. At the present date, no other municipal landfill has such a system installed nor projected, what leads to consider that the Salvador de Bahia Landfill project itself is The Best Practice on that matter.

Sensitivity analyse on the baseline gas capture efficiency rate.

That sensitivity analyse was conducted using First Order Decay model for Landfill gas generation estimation indicated in IPCC guideline, 1996.

Waste entrance stream and baseline contractual amount used in the analyse are indicated in the table below.

Table 1: Projection of Waste Disposal and baseline landfillgas flaring at the Salvador de Bahia Landfill Site

Year	A : Annual tonnage of waste considered Contract *: [tones]*	B : Actual tonnage of Disposed *[tones]*	C : Annual amount of landfillgas considered in Concession *Nm3 @50% CH4]*	D : Annual amount of landfillgas to consider in baseline : D = CxB/A : *[1000 Nm3*
1997		28,779		
1998		179,064		
1999		761,392		
2000	790,000	840,000	14,892	15,834
2001	810,000	869,752	14,892	15,990
2002	820,000	838,016	19,360	19,785
2003	840,000		28,784	
2004	860,000		37,230	
2005	870,000		43,187	
2006	890,000		48,399	
2007	910,000		52,122	
2008	930,000		59,568	
2009	950,000		63,291	
2010	960,000		67,014	
2011	980,000		70,737	
2012	1,000,000		74,460	
2013	1,020,000		78,183	
2014	1,040,000		81,906	
2015	1,060,000		83,768	
2016	1,080,000		85,629	
2017	1,150,000		87,863	
2018	1,180,000		89,352	
2019	1,150,000		85,108	

Vega estimates the quantity of gas to be produced during the project lifetime using high Lo and K value so that gas production would be overestimated, and, as a consequence, capture efficiency in baseline would be underestimated. The resultant capture efficiency in baseline, around 25%, could have been then compared with the general Brazilian situation to evaluate if that performance was within the top 20 per cent of landfillgas management in Brazil.
However, as the baseline is a fixed contractual amount, and as real Lo and K could be lower than value used for Emission Reduction Estimation, the real gas capture efficiency in baseline will probably be higher than 25%, as it is shown in the sensitivity analyse below.

Methane potential of Salvador Waste :

For Lo, IPCC good practice, 1996 indicates a variation from less than 100 to more than 200 m3 of CH4 per ton of waste. Lo usually adopted for European waste, with approximately 30 % of organic content is 100 m3 CH4/ton.
The Brazilian waste has usually a content of organic matter near 60%. For that reason Vega project adopted 180 m3 CH4 / ton of waste (or 0,12 Gg CH4/Gg of MSW).

Moreover, if considering Salvador waste composition determined in January 2001 (*Ramo Saneamento Ambiental*) , corrected to 2003 conditions (suppression of Construction Waste entrance) , we can estimate the following value for Equation 5.4 of IPCC guideline, 1996 :

DOC = (0,4 x A) + (0,17 x B) + (0,15 x C) + (0,3 x D)

In function of information available on site we change that equation to the following one :

DOC = (0,4 x A) + (0,16 x (B + C)) + (0,3 x D)

Where :

A : paper, board and textile :	21 %
B+C : Food and green waste :	60 %
D : wood :	3 %

What result that
DOC = 0,189

Lo calculation :

Lo = MCF x DOC x DOC_f x F X 16/12

Where :

MCF = 1 (well managed landfill)
DOC = 0,189
DOC_f = 0,77 (high biodegradable fraction in Brazilian waste)
F = 60 % (measurement at landfill have shown value of 57 % CH4 in biogas, with small dilution with air)

What result that

Lo = 0,116 Gg of CH4 / Gg of Waste

Biodegradation kinetic :

For k, IPCC good practice, indicates variation from 0,03 (half time of 23 years, dry condition) to 0,2 (half time of 3 years, high temperature an humidity condition).
The Brazilian conditions are quite favorable to biodegradation kinetic, however the project will include a complete cover of the landfill what will have a drying effect on waste disposed.

A halftime of 6 years was then chosen, resulting in k value of 0,12.

LFG production sensitivity to Lo and k, and consequences on project ER estimation

Simulations were made on ER that would occur in case of variation of Lo and k, to lower value.

Results are presented in tables below.

	Total 2003-2019
Total Waste Deposited [tones]:	16.870.000

Baseline study scenario

H1 : Lo=0,12 (180m3 CH4/ton MSW) ; k=0,12 (half time = 6 years)		
Collection Efficiency in baseline : [*calculated*]	**26%**	**Average**
Collection Efficiency in project : [*hypothetical*]	80%	Average
Amount	1.426.460	
Amount of Methane Collected in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**375.079**	
Amount of methane emitted in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**1.051.381**	
Amount of Methane Collected in project [*tones of CH4*]	1.141.168	
Amount	285.292	
Amount	**689.480**	

Sensitivity analyze

H2 : Lo=0,093 (140m3 CH4/ton MSW) ; k=0,12 (half time = 6 years)		
Collection Efficiency in baseline : [*calculated*]	**34%**	**Average**
Collection Efficiency in project : [*hypothetical*]	80%	Average
Amount of Methane Emitted from the Landfill [*tones of CH4*]	1.112.926	
Amount of Methane Collected in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**375.079**	
Amount of methane emitted in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**737.847**	
Amount of Methane Collected in project [*tones of CH4*]	890.340	
Amount of Methane emitted in project [*tones of CH4*]	222.585	
Amount of Methane Avoided due to Project [*tones of CH4*]	**463.735**	

H3 : Lo=0,12 (180m3 CH4/ton MSW) ; k=0,09 (half time = 8 years)		
Collection Efficiency in baseline : [*calculated*]	**30%**	**Average**
Collection Efficiency in project : [*hypothetical*]	80%	Average
Amount of Methane Emitted from the Landfill [*tones of CH4*]	1.244.360	
Amount of Methane Collected in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**375.079**	
Amount of methane emitted in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**869.281**	
Amount of Methane Collected in project [*tones of CH4*]	995.488	
Amount of Methane emitted in project [*tones of CH4*]	248.872	
Amount of Methane Avoided due to Project [*tones of CH4*]	**558.368**	

H4 : Lo=0,093 (140m3 CH4/ton MSW) ; k=0,09 (half time = 8 years)		
Collection Efficiency in baseline : [*calculated*]	**39%**	**Average**
Collection Efficiency in project : [*hypothetical*]	80%	Average
Amount of Methane Emitted from the Landfill [*tones of CH4*]	970.851	
Amount of Methane Collected in baseline [*tones of CH4*]	**375.079**	
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Amount of Methane Collected in project [*tones of CH4*]	776.681	
Amount of Methane emitted in project [*tones of CH4*]	194.170	
Amount of Methane Avoided due to Project [*tones of CH4*]	**361.442**	

As we can see in the tables above, gas capture efficiency estimation in baseline is conservative (H1 : 26 %).

As a matter of fact, if real LFG production is lower than estimated in baseline study (H1 : Lo = 0,12 e k=0,12), then collection efficiency in baseline will increase. (up to 39 % in H4 with Lo = 0,093 & k = 0,09).

In that simulations we can also notice that total Amount of methane avoided in project (H1) is estimated 689.480 tones, and that amount drop to 361.442 tones in H4, if real landfillgas production is lower than estimated in baseline study.

This fact does not affect the conservative approach of the project.

Indeed, as baseline is fixed (contractual obligation, adjusted by real waste entrance), and as real volume of methane destroyed will be directly measured at flare, there is no risk that ER will be certified in excess, what is, in our understanding, the definition of the conservative approach of a CDM project.

As a result, if biogas production is lower than estimated, the volume of ER that will be Certified will be lower than quantity expected in baseline study.

B.4. Description of how the anthropogenic emissions of GHG by sources are reduced below those that would have occurred in the absence of the registered CDM project activity *(i.e. explanation of how and why this project is additional and therefore not the baseline scenario)*

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With the registered CDM project this collection system and destruction capacity will be expanded and improved so that an estimated 75-80% of the methane will be destroyed.

B.5. Description of how the definition of the project boundary related to the baseline methodology is applied to the project activity*:*

All of the generation of waste occurs locally, within the confines of the country. The Baseline Study has not found leakage to be a problem for the project as the project is a closed system. Therefore the MVP does not correct the calculated ERs to account for leakage.

Two other potential sources of emissions that might offset any reductions achieved were also considered.

Both were assessed as immaterial.

First, potential CO2 emissions generated from CH4 produced by plastics decomposition. For several reasons, this was immaterial. The Revised IPCC Guidelines for National GHG Inventories (1996) do not consider CH4 production from plastic wastes. The level of plastics waste in Salvador is 17% and importantly the contribution to CH4 from plastics is only 5m3 CH4/tonne of MSW compared to the measured emissions of approximately 180m3 CH4/tonne of MSW. Moreover, there is no combustion condition detected in the landfill, firstly because of the naturally high humidity serving as a deterrent and secondly the recent gas analysis undertaken at Salvador shows 0% CO content. CO is considered to be a leading indicator of combustion within the landfill.

The second potential source considered was the potential for emissions resulting from electricity being used to pump methane gas in the new collection equipment (question raised by stakeholder during 30 days international consultation). Given the domination of hydro in the energy resource mix for Bahia, this was also deemed to be immaterial. Moreover, if gas-to-

energy production project is implemented in the future, electricity for gas pumping will be produced locally from biomass source.

B.6. Details of baseline development

B.6.1 Date of completing the final draft of this baseline section: 18 June 2003

B.6.2 Name of person/entity determining the baseline:

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C. Duration of the project activity / Crediting period

C.1 Duration of the project activity:

C.1.1. Starting date of the project activity: 01/01/03.

C.1.2. Expected operational lifetime of the project activity: 17y.

C.2 Choice of the crediting period and related information:

C.2.1. Renewable crediting period *(at most seven (7) years per period)*

C.2.1.1. Starting date of the first crediting period: 01/01/2003.

C.2.1.2. Length of the first crediting period: 7 years

C.2.2. Fixed crediting period *(at most ten (10) years)*: NOT SELECTED

C.2.2.1. Starting date *(DD/MM/YYYY)*:

C.2.2.2. Length (max 10 years):

D. Monitoring methodology and plan

D.1. Name and reference of approved methodology applied to the project activity:

Continuous measurement of quantity and quality of Landfill gas flared using continuous gas quality analyser and gas flow meter

D.2. Justification of the choice of the methodology and why it is applicable to the project activity:

The methodology was developed based on Salvador Landfill project situation.

D.3. Data to be collected in order to monitor emissions from the project activity, and how this data will be archived:

Please refer to spreadsheet "summary" worksheet in file "Vega MVP Workbook".

All data will be archived on electronic support through MVP workbook.
Each year will be generated a summary sheet that will be signed by Project Manager and archived on paper.
All data will be archived during all the project period (2003-2019).

ID	Data type		Data unit	Measured (m), calculated (c) or estimated (e)	Frequency	Proportion of data to be monitored	data be archived? (/ paper : p)	For how long is archived data kept?	
2.1	Waste disposal	Annual Waste Landfilled	[metric tones]	m	Daily	100%	Daily : e Monthly : p	Project lifetime	Measured at weightbridge
2.2	LFG	Amount of methane flared	[t CH4]	m	Continuous	100%	Daily : e Monthly : p	Project lifetime	Measured by continuous gas quality analyzer and flow met or complementary method (% CH4, Sm^3/h of LFG, LFG temperature and pressure, flar temperature, flare working hours)
2.3	LFG	Amount of methane used at energy plant	[t CH4]	m	Continuous	100%	Daily : e Monthly : p	Project lifetime	Measured by continuous gas quality analyzer and flow met or complementary method (% CH4, Sm^3/h of LFG, LFG temperature and pressure, tota amount of energy produced)

ID	Data type	Data variable	Data unit	Measured (m), calculated (c) or estimated (e)	Frequency	Proportion of data to be monitored	How will the data be archived? / paper : p)	archived data kept?	Comment
2.4	LFG	Total amount of methane flared or used	[t CH4]	c	Daily	n/a	Daily : e Monthly : p	Project lifetime	Sum of 2.2 & 2.3
2.5	LFG	Amount of methane flaring required in baseline	[t CH4]	c	Annually	n/a	Annually : e & p	Project lifetime	Contractual amount adjuste real waste entrance
2.6	LFG	Amount of methane collected in addition to requirement	[t CH4]	c	Annually	n/a	Annually : e & p	Project lifetime	
2.7	Emission Reduction	Annual Carbon Dioxide Equivalent Avoided	[t CO2e]	c	Annually	n/a	Annually : e & p	Project lifetime	

D.4. Potential sources of emissions which are significant and reasonably attributable to the project activity, but which are not included in the project boundary, and identification if and how data will be collected and archived on these emission sources.

None applicable

No leakage identified

D.5. Relevant data necessary for determining the baseline of anthropogenic emissions by sources of GHG within the project boundary and identification if and how such data will be collected and archived.

Please refer to spreadsheet "emissions" worksheet in file "Vega Project Baseline Study Workbook".

ID	Data type	Data variable	Data	Measured (m) calculated (c) or estimated (	Recording Frequency	Proportion of be monitored	How will the data be archived? (electronic : e / paper : p)	For how long is archived data kept?	Comment
2.1	Waste disposal	Annual Waste Landfilled	[metric tones]	m	Daily	100%	Daily : e Monthly : p	Project lifetime	Measured at weightbridge

D.6. Quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures are being undertaken for data monitored. *(data items in tables contained in section D.3., D.4. and D.5 above, as applicable)*

Performance Indicator/Criteria	(Units)	QA/QC Procedure (Eqpt./Reports)
Emissions Reductions		
Avoided landfill methane emissions due to combustion of collected methane	Methane concentrations in Landfill gas (% methane in LFG)	- Gas continuous analyser at the flaring or energy production platform (type : NGA2000 – MLT1 from Fisher-Rosemount)
	Collection/Flaring in Baseline	Contractual obligation of VEGA (volume of gas indicated in the proposal to the BID 004/99 for the concession adjusted by real waste entry)
	Collection/Flaring in Project	- CH4 destruction from flare: Records/analysis tests using continuous gas flow analysis - CH4 destruction from energy generation: records of electricity production (electricity sales receipts, meters) + energy conversion factor from the plant (testing, monitoring) + continuous gas flow analysis -
	Methane Global Warming Potential	IPCC GWP tables;

Economic Development		
Job Creation	Incremental number of jobs at landfill gas project	- Monthly employment records of plants - Monthly employment records of landfill site w/o project
Income Generation	Incremental wage increase at landfill plant compared to alternative job Income multiplier effect	- Average hourly wages of plant workers compared with alternatives - Average annual employment (days/yr)
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Social and Environmental Impacts		
Land and Protected Area Conservation Support	- Incremental land savings due to LFG Management project and support of Environmental Protection Area surrounding landfill (APA Joanes Ipiranga)	- Total hectares saved from landfill - Alternative use of hectares - Apparent density of waste in the landfill (calculated by the ratio of measured tonnes of waste which entered the site at one date divided by real total volume occupied at that date) : The higher the density, the better the land use. - Additional fund to APA Joanes Ipiranga
Future Option to Generate Electricity	- Electricity from landfill energy project (Law # 10438 from April 26, 2002) - Fuel displaced at grid	- MW and MWh of generation displaced at grid - Marginal fuel type

Energy Efficiency and Recycling Technical Support	- Creation of a local training centre, with permanent teacher, to promote education program on environment, recycling and Energy saving - Technical and financial support from CERs into fund for local EE education and sorting facility - Local/national NGO support	- Number of people trained at the landfill - Number of additional training courses and recycling projects - Additional funds to NGO and VEGA Institute / number of project funded
Odour	- Odour from the landfill site	- Increase or decrease in reports from neighbours and site visitor comment form
Safety	- Incremental safety issues due to the LFG Management project	- Incremental number of fire or other accidents
Air Pollutants	- Incremental increase or decrease in VOCs, particulates and other emissions	- Install stack emissions monitor (SEM) on landfill energy plant to monitor daily emissions
Leachate	- Incremental leachate produced by landfill gas project	- Annual average amount of leachate produced at Salvador da Bahia per tonne waste before and after the landfill gas management project
Technology Transfer		
Technical communication on the project, with technical detail	- Participation in conference, symposium, events to present the best available technology for landfill construction and operation, and specifically related with gas management - Presentation in local and national media	- Number of participation in conference, symposium, events - Number of presentation in national media

D.7 Name of person/entity determining the monitoring methodology:

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E. Calculation of GHG emissions by sources

E.1 Description of formulae used to estimate anthropogenic emissions by sources of greenhouse gases of the project activity within the project boundary: *(for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions in units of CO_2 equivalent)*

The following sets of parameters are all critical to determining the project's emissions, and are used for estimating the emission reductions from the project's improved gas collection efficiency:

- Current amount of waste-in-place: This estimate is based on detailed monthly reported data provided by VEGA.
- Current methane generation and collection: The current amount of methane generated and collection efficiency is based on estimates from engineering studies provided by VEGA. Gas measurement is also proceeding on-site to independently verify earlier estimates.
- Waste supply projection: projecting the likely waste production and characteristics in the future for the landfill. This information is used to calculate the likely organic contents of the waste stream and likely emissions of methane. This waste stream projection is based on engineering estimates provided by the landfill operator (Vega).
- Landfill expansion and upgrade options: projecting the likely coverage area and collection efficiencies for the landfill. This coverage collection efficiency is based on Brazilian national legislation concerning waste management, operational requirements, and available technologies.

Based on estimates from VEGA, the landfill of Salvador de Bahia is expected to continue to receive over 850,000 tonnes of waste a year until its close in 2020 as shown in Table 2 .

Table 2: Projection of Waste Disposal at the Salvador de Bahia Landfill Site

Year	(C) : annual tonnage of waste considered in Concession Contract *: [tonnes]*	Actual tonnage of Waste Disposed *[tonnes]*
1997		28,779
1998		179,064
1999		761,392
2000	790,000	840,000
2001	810,000	869,752
2002	820,000	838,016
2003	840,000	
2004	860,000	
2005	870,000	
2006	890,000	
2007	910,000	

2008	930,000	
2009	950,000	
2010	960,000	
2011	980,000	
2012	1,000,000	
2013	1,020,000	
2014	1,040,000	
2015	1,060,000	
2016	1,080,000	
2017	1,150,000	
2018	1,180,000	
2019	1,150,000	

This waste stream is expected to continue to be of the same basic characteristics over time (same amount of degradable organic content), and therefore expected to have an average methane generation potential of 180 m^3/tonne MSW. The typical trend in many developing countries is to see a gradually reducing proportion of organic materials as other wastes enter the waste stream. Based on this characterisation of the waste stream, the amount of waste disposed, the current quantity of waste in place, and the current methane emissions, the landfill emissions of methane are estimated to follow the curve shown in Figure 1 (below) according to IPCC Good Practices methodology.

The accompanying spreadsheet illustrates how 850,000 tonnes per year (initially), 180 m^3/tonne MSW, and the decay rate (k=0.12) translate into the data shown in Figure 1. This is intended to be indicative since the baseline for this project is set by a contractual obligation and the avoided emissions will be determined by actual measured emissions. This approach therefore avoids any dependence on theoretical biogas generation models.

Emission reductions are calculated based on a number of key assumptions about the generation of methane and its combustion. The emission reductions from the production of methane and its capture are dependent on:

- the amount of waste disposed by year
- the lifetime methane potential of that waste
- the decay of the waste
- the amount of the landfill gas that is methane
- the collection efficiency in the baseline (the volume indicated in Vega proposal to the BID 004/99)
- the collection efficiency in the project

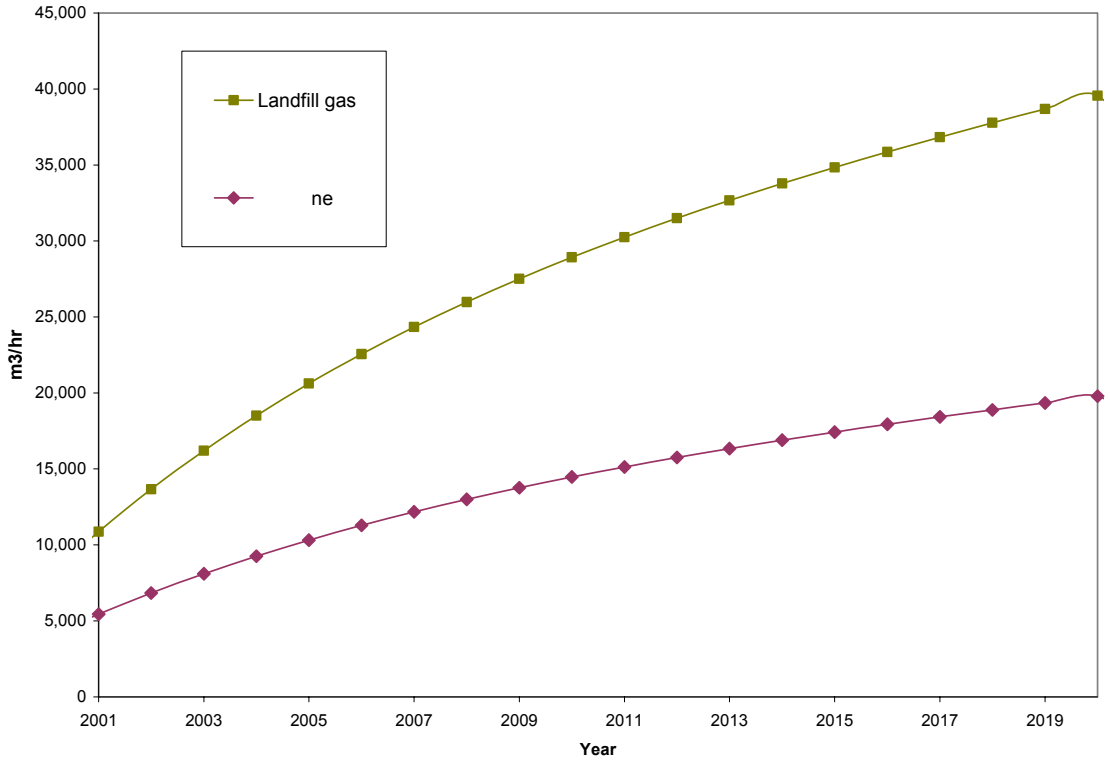
The amount of waste disposed was given in Table 2. The other variables are listed in Table 3.

Table 3: Key Variables in the Production and Collection of Methane

Variable	Units	Value
Lo (methane potential)	m3/tonne MSW	180
k (decay rate)		0.12

% of landfill gas that is methane	%	50%
Collection Efficiency in Baseline	%	19-24% (the exact number varies each year but is indicated in the VEGA contract : item D12.3
Collection Efficiency in Project	%	80%

Figure 1: Total landfill gas and methane Production from Salvador da Bahia landfill



E.2 Description of formulae used to estimate leakage, defined as: the net change of anthropogenic emissions by sources of greenhouse gases which occurs outside the project boundary, and that is measurable and attributable to the project activity: *(for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions in units of CO_2 equivalent)*

No leakage applicable

E.3 The sum of E.1 and E.2 representing the project activity emissions:

Same as E1 above

E.4 Description of formulae used to estimate the anthropogenic emissions by sources of greenhouse gases of the baseline: *(for each gas, source, formulae/algorithm, emissions in units of CO_2 equivalent)*

The baseline for determining avoided landfill emissions due to the project's improvements in collection efficiencies is the volume of gas agreed to in VEGA's contract with the municipality. This choice of this baseline is justified by the concept of economic & financial equilibrium of a public contract as defined in National Law 8.666, dated 21/06/93, covering the regulation of

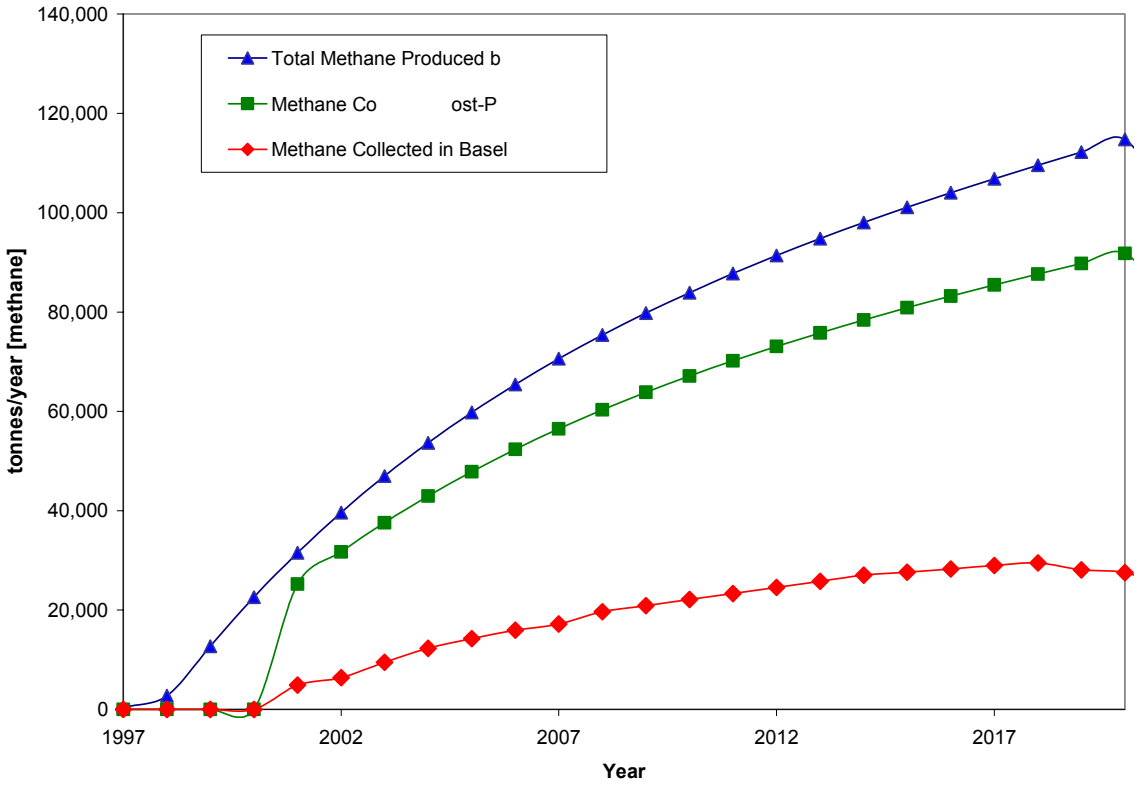
public contracts. The Table below indicates (in column two) the volume of landfill methane gas that was specified in the contract between VEGA and BID governing the concession.

Contractual Requirements Concerning Bahia Concession

Year	(A) : BID 004/99 : financial proposal page n°9 item D12.3 & D12.4 : *Nm3 de LFG @ 50% CH4*	(B) : tonnes equivalent of CH4 : B= 50% x A x 0.00066 (conversion factor)
2001	14,892,000	4,914
2002	19,360,000	6,389
2003	28,784,000	9,499
2004	37,230,000	12,286
2005	43,187,000	14,252
2006	48,399,000	15,972
2007	52,122,000	17,200
2008	59,566,000	19,657
2009	63,291,000	20,886
2010	67,014,000	22,115
2011	70,737,000	23,343
2012	74,460,000	24,572
2013	78,183,000	25,800
2014	81,906,000	27,029
2015	83,768,000	27,643
2016	85,629,000	28,258
2017	87,863,000	28,995
2018	89,352,000	29,486
2019	85,108,000	28,086

E.5 Difference between E.4 and E.3 representing the emission reductions of the project activity:

Figure: Methane Production and Collection, Baseline and Project



E.6 Table providing values obtained when applying formula above:

Summary of Estimated Emission Reductions
for the Salvador de Bahia Landfill Gas Management Project
(tonnes of CO_2 equivalent per year)

Year	Emission Reductions from Avoided Methane
2003	520,920
2004	564,310
2005	614,392
2006	663,335
2007	716,442
2008	741,768
2009	786,263
2010	825,139
2011	861,087
2012	894,402
2013	925,419
2014	954,361
2015	993,103
2016	1,030,209
2017	1,073,766
2018	1,121,585
2019	1,192,573
Total	**14,479,075**

F. Environmental impacts

F.1. Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts

Collection and flaring of landfill gas results in destruction of other gases besides methane. These emissions include volatile organic compounds and sulphur dioxides, among others. These emissions are not considered in this assessment.

If the project subsequently decides to offset electricity from the grid, emissions of ozone and nitrogen oxides that would otherwise be generated from fossil fuels are avoided. These impacts are all of a positive nature but have not been quantified. They contribute to the overall sustainable development attributes of the project.

F.2. If impacts are considered significant by the project participants or the host Party:

please provide conclusions and all references to support documentation of an environmental impact assessment that has been undertaken in accordance with the procedures as required by the host Party.

No significant negative impacts applicable

G. Stakeholders comments

G.1. Brief description of the process on how comments by local stakeholders have been invited and compiled:

G.1.1 Official reports announcing a Public Presentation of the project in 3 different local newspapers:

- **September 27th , 2002**: "Correio da Bahia" page E9; "A Tarde", page N17 and "Diário Oficial do Estado da Bahia" page 4.
- **October, 2nd , 2002:** "Correio da Bahia" page E9; "A Tarde", page I15 and "Diário Oficial do Estado da Bahia" page 4.

G.1.2 Meeting with the press, on October 15th, 2002. Presents:

- Regina Bochicchio, reporter from "Correio da Bahia" (local newspaper);
- Mariana Machado, reporter from "TV Educativa" (Educational channel television);
- Humberto Lima, reporter from "Rádio Sociedade" (a local broadcasting station).

Results:

- Publication at "Correio da Bahia" on October 16th, Environment section page 8;
- Television broadcasting at "TV Educativa" on October 15th ;
- Broadcasting at "Rádio Sociedade" on October 15th.

G.1.3 Public presentation: meeting with the local stakeholders. Completely recorded on video. Presents:

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Florent Mailly	Vega Engenharia Ambiental Project Officer
Octavio Nunes	Vega Engenharia Ambiental Marketing and Communication Manager

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Form for stakeholder comments on the project distributed among the participants during the presentation – see Annex 2.

G.1.4 VEGA prepared a material available on the internet site (www.vega.com.br) with a briefing of the project and an e-mail address (Vega Bahia.MDL@vega.com.br) for stakeholder comments.

G.1.5 During the public presentation, an accord was signed between VEGA and CEPEA (Center of economic research of the University of São Paulo). The purpose is to develop a mutual technical and scientific co-operation, exchange of experience, consulting, trainning and suport regarding the subject "Landfills and climate change – how to improve biogas management". Also CEPEA is working on a project for the Environment State Department to estimate the potential of renewable energy generation from landfills in Brazil, with the co-operation of VEGA.

G.1.6 Technical review by MGM independent consultants, representing CER's potential buyers.

G.1.7 Coming project presentations:

- November 18th , 2002: Vega's project will take part on a case study at a CDM workshop organized by MGM;
- November 30th , 2002: Lecture on a course for journalists promoted by Ipsus (Pro Sustentability Institute).

G.1.8 Additional actions will be planned to gather more stakeholders comments.

G.2. Summary of the comments received:

Only technical comments by MGM.

G.3. Report on how due account was taken of any comments received:

MGM comments will be presented to the validator.
On a second phase, the project will be modified to include at the same time the observations from MGM and the validator.

Annex 1

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Annex 2 – Form for stakeholders comments distributed at the public presentation

SUA OPINIÃO É MUITO IMPORTANTE PARA NÓS. SEUS COMENTÁRIOS SERÃO ENCAMINHADOS PARA A ENTIDADE RESPONSÁVEL PELA VALIDAÇÃO DO PROJETO.

RESPONDA ÀS PERGUNTAS ABAIXO E FAÇA SEUS COMENTÁRIOS

1. Você acredita que o Projeto Vega de Redução de Gases de Efeito Estufa contribuirá para o desenvolvimento sustentável do Brasil?

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2. Na sua opinião, o projeto contribuirá para a transferência de tecnologia para o Brasil?

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3. É possível haver uma melhoria da situação sócio-ambiental da região, com a implantação do projeto?

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4. Que outras críticas e/ou comentários você tem a fazer?

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Envie este folheto para o endereço abaixo. Obrigado.

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