

 CDM: Response form for Request for revision of approved methodologies (version 01.1)	
<i>Date of Meth Panel meeting:</i>	21 – 25 June 2010
<i>Title and number of Request for revision</i>	Inclusion of additional baseline option and combination AM_REV_0187
<u>Summary of the query:</u> Please use the space below to summarize the request for revision on the related approved methodologies.	
<p>ACM0012 “Consolidated baseline methodology for GHG emission reductions from waste energy recovery projects” is applicable to the recovery and use of waste gas from industrial facilities that otherwise will be flared or released to the atmosphere in the absence of the project activity. ACM0012 is applicable to two types of project activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type-1: All the waste energy in identified WECM stream/s, that will be utilized in the project activity, is, or would be flared or released to atmosphere in the absence of the project activity at the existing or new facility. • Type-2: An existing industrial facility, where the project activity is implemented, that captures and utilizes a portion³ of the waste gas stream(s) considered in the project activity, and meet several criteria as summarized on Page 3 of ACM0012. <p>The request for revision seeks to expand the applicability of ACM0012 to include partial waste energy utilization in baseline, in addition to complete utilization in Type-1 project activities. It is noted that the project activities will be implemented in a Greenfield/new facility and thus the Type-2 project activities are not applicable.</p>	
<u>Recommendation by the Meth Panel:</u> (a) Please use the space below to provide amendments /changes (in your expert view, if necessary).	
<p>As Type-1 project activities could be implemented in a Greenfield facility, as the case in AM_REV_0187, several issues need to be addressed to expand its applicability, to allow only a portion of the waste energy carrying medium (WECM) to be covered in CDM project activities. The proposed revision has made no provision for them and would leave room for possible misinterpretations.</p> <p><u>Demonstration of the Baseline Scenario</u></p> <p>For a Greenfield facility to be constructed, the baseline situation is described in the feasibility plan or in the engineering design documents. If only a portion of the waste energy in the WECM would be recovered in the hypothetical baseline scenario, the exact quantity of the utilized portion in this Greenfield facility can not be unambiguously substantiated in the baseline. For example, for the PCBL plant described in the attached PDD, is it possible to demonstrate that the capacity of the tail-gas-utilizing captive power plant in the baseline scenario has to be 4MW instead of, say, 6MW? There are no provisions in the proposed revision to cover this aspect.</p>	

Capping of the Baseline Emissions

Since the use of the entire stream of the WECM can not be clearly demonstrated in baseline, as explained above, appropriate upper limits of the baseline emissions can not be identified. Among the three methods used to cap the baseline emissions in ACM0012, none would be appropriate to be used for the partial utilization of waste energy at a Greenfield facility for the proposed case in which part of waste energy would have been utilised in baseline. The revision does not cover this aspect as well.

(b) Please use the space below for providing guidance, as per Para 93 of EB25 Report, on what type of projects need to revise the PDD as a consequence of the suggested revision, if the recommendation is to revise the methodology.

Please refer to the box below.

Answer to authors of the request for revision by the Meth Panel :

Please use the space below to provide an answer to the authors of the above query

The Meth Panel recommends not to approve the request for revision.

The Meth Panel is currently considering a comprehensive revision of ACM0012, which could allow the application of ACM0012 for the cases where one stream of waste energy is partially recovered at a Greenfield facility in the baseline scenario. The project proponents may like to monitor the future revisions of ACM0012.

Signed by the Chair, Mr. Lex de Jonge

Date: 25/06/2010

Signed by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Philip Gwage

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