



**Approved baseline and monitoring methodology /
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Summary of the request for clarification

Original text from Stakeholder:

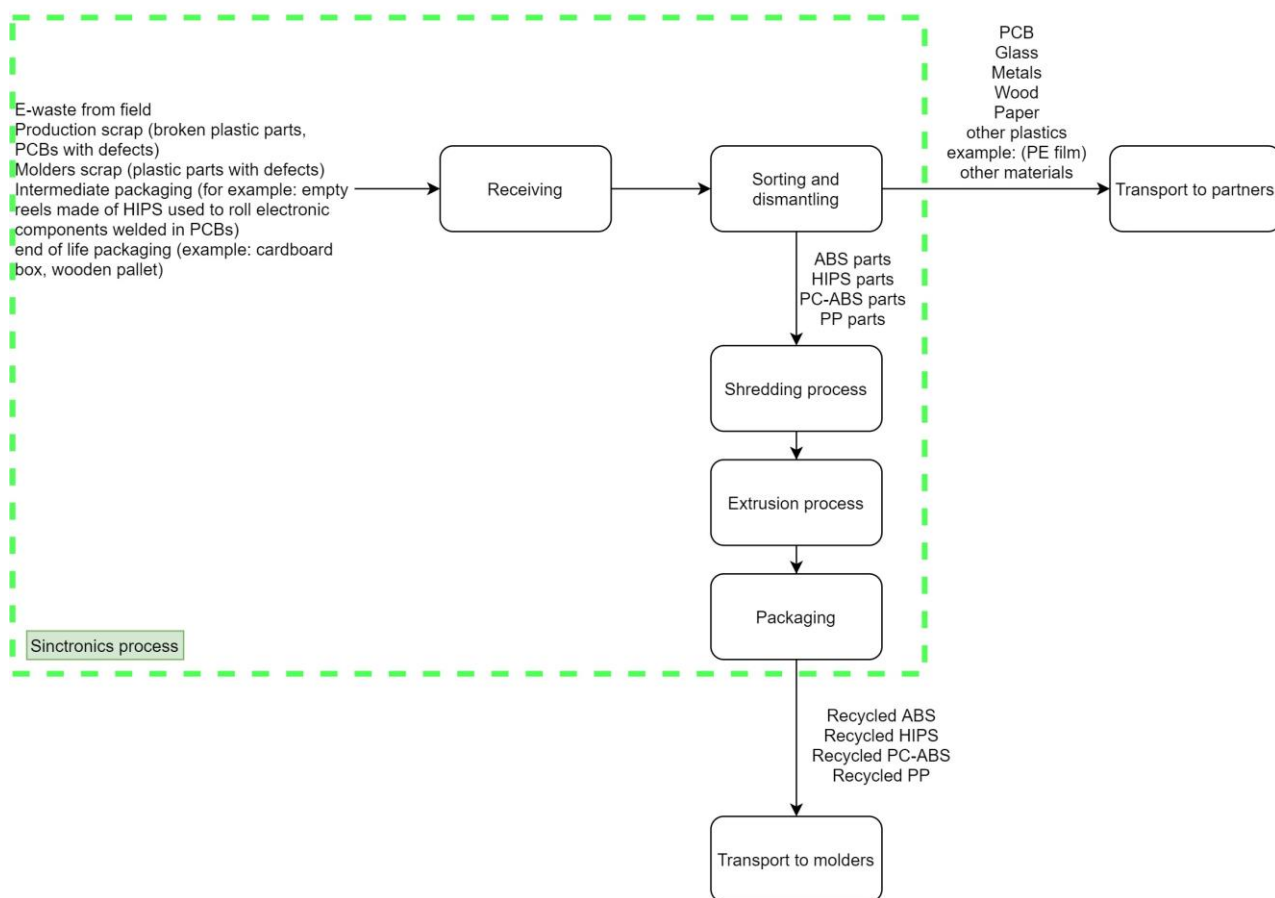
My name is Mariane and I am responsible for introducing Flex to carbon credit market. Our project is about recycling and recovering materials from e-waste. We are responsible for sorting, disassembling and recycling ONLY plastic internally. We send all other materials to third part recycling.

Considering that scope, I would like to know if we are eligible for CDM "Small-scale Methodology Recovery and recycling of materials from Ewaste". I am wondering that because topic 2.2 says:

"The recycling facility includes E-waste sorting and processing of at least the non-ferrous metals fraction of the waste. Other common materials (ferrous metals, aluminium, plastics, glass) can be processed at the facility after sorting or be shipped to third party processors;"

What that's mean? In order to be eligible shall we recle nonferrous metals inside our company? Or only recycling plastic internally its ok?

Additional information provided by the submitter on 18/02/2021



Clarification by the secretariat or Panel / WG

The Meth Panel would like to thank the submitted of the clarification.

According to paragraph 3(a) of the methodology, projects are eligible if it includes a recycling facility that sorts and processes **at least** the non-ferrous **metals fractions** of the waste.

The definitions of sorting and processing of E-waste are provided in paragraphs 13(d) and 13(e) of the methodology, as follows:

- Sorting of E-waste is defined as the separation of collected e-waste into different categories of recyclable materials to facilitate further processing;
- Processing of E-waste is defined as the processing of the E-waste sorted into secondary materials (the secondary material may be produced utilizing fully or partially the recycled metal).

According to the flow-chart submitted by the proponent containing the steps of the recycling process and the materials involved, the facility sorts and processes plastics (including ABS and HIPS) into secondary materials, whereas metals are only sorted from the E-waste and transported to other parties.

Therefore, the Meth Panel clarifies that facilities that sorts and processes only plastics are not eligible under the current version of AMS-III.BA. However, the proponent may wish to prepare and submit a revision of the methodology to broaden its applicability (e.g. to include additional plastic materials as per footnote 3, and to possibly revisit the limitation of the methodology to sorting and processing of at least the non-ferrous materials) through the procedure “Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”¹.

¹ Available at <https://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html>.

Further, it should be noted that the applicability of the current version of the methodology is limited solely to E-wastes, which is defined as “end-of-life, discarded, surplus, obsolete, or damaged electrical and electronic equipment (EEE)”. Therefore, some of input materials listed in the flowchart (e.g. intermediate packaging) may not be eligible to generate emission reductions under the methodology.

Version(s) of the approved methodology / methodological tool to which the clarification is applicable:

AMS-III.BA.: Recovery and recycling of materials from E-waste --- Version 2.0

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