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The Project Developer Forum (PD Forum) is writing to request that the UNFCCC secretariat make available MS Word versions of CDM methodologies to the general public. At present only PDF versions of large-scale methodologies are available for download while both word and PDF versions are available for small-scale methodologies.

Project developers who wish to prepare revisions of existing CDM methodologies require a Word version of the methodology as the basis for the proposed request for revision. At present word versions of large-scale CDM methodologies can only be obtained through a Designated Operational Entity (DOE). As DOEs are not involved in the preparatory phase project developers are dependent on the good will of the DOEs to share the word versions. In practice DOEs are sometimes less than helpful in providing the MS Word versions unless a contract for their validation services is signed. This potential obstacle to proposing methodology revisions is clearly not what the UNFCCC had in mind.

The PD Forum therefore requests that the UNFCCC Secretariat make available on its website for download Word versions of the methodologies. A secondary benefit of making Word versions available is that this allows project developers to cut and paste formulae, tables, etc. directly from the methodology into the PDD hence improving efficiency and reducing the chances of typographical errors.

Thank you sincerely for your consideration, and we look forward to your response on this issue.

Kind regards,



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