JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

Seventh meeting

Proposed agenda and annotations

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Membership issues (including disclosure of possible conflict of interest)

1. **Background:** According to paragraph 14 of the annex to decision 9/CMP.1 on guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol (hereinafter referred to as JI guidelines) at least two thirds of the members of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC), representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

2. According to paragraph 10 (b) of the JI guidelines members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any aspect of a JI project. Paragraph 2 of rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the JISC additionally stipulates that members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any accredited independent entity (AIE), or any designated operational entity (DOE) acting provisionally as an AIE.

3. According to paragraph 11 of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 1 of rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, the JISC may suspend and recommend to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) the termination of the membership of a particular member, including an alternate member, for cause including, inter alia, breach of the conflict of interest provisions or failure to attend two consecutive meetings of the JISC without proper justification.

4. **Action:** The Chair may wish to ascertain whether (a) the members present constitute a quorum and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”.

5. The Chair may wish to request the members and alternate members of the JISC to disclose whether they consider to have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.

6. The JISC may wish to consider information provided by any member or alternate member, including with respect to any potential conflict of interest, and take action, if appropriate.

2. Adoption of the agenda

7. **Background:** The JISC agreed, at its sixth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its seventh meeting. In accordance with rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the JISC, subsequent additions or changes to the provisional agenda of a meeting may be proposed to the secretariat by any member, or alternate member, and incorporated in the proposed agenda. No suggestion for additions or changes was received by the secretariat before the relevant deadline. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 12 April 2007 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC JI website.

8. **Action:** The members of the JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the seventh meeting.

3. Work plan

(a) Accreditation of independent entities

9. **Background:** On the basis of the accreditation procedure adopted by the JISC at its fourth meeting, on 6 October 2006 independent entities (IEs), including DOEs under the clean development mechanism (CDM), could start submitting applications for accreditation under JI to the secretariat.
10. Based on the terms of reference for JI assessment teams (JI-ATs), agreed on by the JISC also at its fourth meeting, the secretariat, as mandated, launched three public calls for experts to be included in the roster of experts for JI-ATs, open for applications from 9 October until 20 November 2006, from 13 December 2006 until 17 January 2007, and from 28 February 2007 (open-ended), respectively.

11. The JI-AP held its fifth meeting on 15–16 April 2007. At this meeting, the JI-AP maintained the roster of experts for JI-ATs, considered the applications for accreditation from IEs received by the secretariat by early April 2007, and selected or replaced members of JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on internal procedural issues.

12. Based on a request by the JISC at its sixth meeting, the JI-AP, also at its fifth meeting, considered measures to facilitate the accreditation process of applicant IEs that are DOEs under the CDM, and measures to facilitate the accreditation particularly regarding the function of determination of emission reductions or enhancements of removals.

13. Following the resignation of a JI-AP member, Mr. Ken Beck Lee, as of 14 February 2007, the JISC, at its sixth meeting, requested the secretariat to open a new call for experts with a particular emphasis on the expertise in methodological issues and to prepare a shortlist of candidates for the position with a view to appointing a new member as soon as possible. The call was open for applications from 28 February until 27 March 2007.

14. **Action:** The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the third progress report on the work of the JI-AP and an oral report by its Chair, Mr. Oleg Pluzhnikov, on the work of the panel, (b) consider the recommendations by the JI-AP and take action, as appropriate, and (c) consider further guidance to the JI-AP, as appropriate.

15. The JISC may wish to select a new JI-AP member based on the shortlist prepared by the secretariat in accordance with paragraph 13 of the “Terms of reference for the establishment of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel”.

(b) **Determination reports regarding project design documents**

16. **Background:** At its fifth meeting, the JISC officially launched the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as JI Track 2 procedure) on 26 October 2006 and noted that the information from Parties regarding their designated focal points (DFPs) and national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects, in accordance with paragraph 20 (a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, required for the submission of determination reports regarding project design documents, had not been provided to the secretariat by a number of Parties.

17. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider and discuss the status of (a) projects submitted under the JI Track 2 procedure as well as (b) information provided by Parties in accordance with paragraph 20 of the JI guidelines, and take action, as appropriate.

(c) **Management plan for the biennium 2006–2007**

18. **Background:** According to paragraph 4 of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC shall keep the joint implementation management plan (JI-MAP) under review and make adjustments as necessary to continue ensuring the efficient, cost-effective and transparent functioning of the JISC and related activities on JI.

19. At its fourth meeting, the JISC agreed on the JI-MAP for the biennium 2006–2007, and further revised it at its fifth meeting to take into account issues regarding the accountability between the JISC, the Executive Secretary of the secretariat and the CMP and to reflect the latest cost estimation on the basis of an updated budget for 2006–2007.
20. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss, in view of the decision of the CMP referred to in paragraph 18 above and the needs arising, possible revisions to the JI-MAP with a view to adopting the revised version at its next meeting. The JISC may also wish to request the secretariat, in accordance with paragraph 5 of decision 3/CMP.2, to prepare a draft of the revised JI-MAP 2006–2007 for consideration at its next meeting. Furthermore, in the context of its discussions on the JI-MAP 2006–2007, the JISC may also wish to consider its work programme for 2007 on the basis of the tentative list of tasks already identified and included in the JI-MAP 2006–2007, as well as other elements of work that the JISC identifies.

(d) **Management plan for the biennium 2008–2009**

21. **Background:** According to paragraph 4 of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC shall keep the JI-MAP under review and make adjustments as necessary to continue ensuring the efficient, cost-effective and transparent functioning of the JISC and related activities on JI. Furthermore, in accordance with paragraph 5 (c) of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC shall submit the latest version of the management plan to the CMP at each session for information.

22. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss, in view of the decisions of the CMP referred to in paragraph 21 above and, in particular, with a view to submitting the JI-MAP for the biennium 2008–2009 to the CMP at its third session, the elements of the JI-MAP 2008–2009. Following its discussions, the JISC may wish to request the secretariat, in accordance with paragraph 5 of decision 3/CMP.2, to prepare a draft of the JI-MAP 2008–2009 for consideration at its next meeting.

4. **Other matters**

**Collaboration of the JISC with others**

23. **Background:** The CMP, through paragraph 5 of decision 10/CMP.1, encouraged the JISC to collaborate with (a) the Executive Board of the CDM, (b) the Compliance Committee under the Kyoto Protocol, in particular with regard to the list of Parties referred to in paragraph 27 of the JI guidelines, (c) the DFPs for Article 6 under the Kyoto Protocol and (d) observers to meetings of the JISC, referred to in paragraph 18 of the JI guidelines, through regular question-and-answer sessions held in this context.

24. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 23 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

**Other business**

25. **Background:** According to paragraph 1 of rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the JISC the JISC shall, at each meeting, agree upon the provisional agenda of its next meeting.

26. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss and agree on the provisional agenda of its eighth meeting.

27. As necessary, the JISC may wish to consider other issues.

**Informal interaction with registered observers**

28. **Background:** The CMP, through paragraph 5 (d) of decision 10/CMP.1, encouraged the JISC to collaborate with observers to its meetings through regular question-and-answer sessions held in this context. Since its establishment, the JISC met with observers for a webcasted question-and-answer session at each meeting.
29. **Action:** The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers referred to in paragraph 28 above at the second day of its seventh meeting.

5. **Conclusion of the meeting**

30. **Action:** The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.

31. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its seventh meeting.