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#### JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

#### Ninth 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 eighth meeting, on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its ninth 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 5 November 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 ninth 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.





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- 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 until 24 September 2007, respectively.
- 11. The JI-AP held its eighth meeting on 4–5 November 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 late October 2007, and selected/withdrew members of JI-ATs with regard to these applications. The JI-AP also agreed on procedural issues, including a revised JI accreditation procedure to be recommended to the JISC.
- 12. Following the resignation of a JI-AP member, Mr. Vijay Mediratta, as of 6 November 2007, the JISC, at its eighth meeting, requested the secretariat to open a new call for experts with a view to filling the vacant position in the JI-AP as soon as possible, for consideration of the results by the JISC at its ninth meeting. The call is open for applications from 20 October until 19 November 2007.
- 13. **Action:** The JISC may wish to (a) take note of the fifth 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.

#### (b) <u>Matters relating to determination reports regarding project design documents</u>

General issues

- 14. **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 (PDDs) had not been provided to the secretariat by a number of Parties.
- 15. At its eighth meeting, the JISC agreed on modalities of communication of project participants with the JISC, as well as on procedures for including additional project participants or Parties involved in JI projects after final determination under the verification procedure under the JISC. Moreover, the JISC requested the secretariat to prepare draft procedures for the withdrawal of project participants or Parties involved in JI projects, as appropriate, for consideration by the JISC at its ninth meeting. On this basis, the secretariat prepared draft procedures for the withdrawal of project participants after final determination under the verification procedure under the JISC.
- 16. **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.
- 17. Additionally, the JISC may wish to discuss and agree on procedures for the withdrawal of project participants after final determination under the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee, on the basis of the draft contained in annex 1.



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Case related issues

- 18. **Background:** At least three members of the JISC or a Party involved in the project have requested a review of the determination regarding the PDD for the project "Rehabilitation of Dolna Arda Hydropower Cascade, Bulgaria (reference number: 0040)". In accordance with paragraph 13 of the procedures for reviews under the verification procedure under the JISC, the JISC shall decide at its ninth meeting whether the determination is accepted, without conditions or subject to certain conditions, or a more detailed review is required. If the JISC decides to undertake a detailed review, it shall also decide on its scope and on the composition of the review team.
- 19. **Action:** The JISC shall consider the issues mentioned in paragraph 18 above and decide accordingly.

#### (c) Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

- 20. **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.
- 21. At its eighth meeting, the JISC agreed on the JI-MAP for the biennium 2008–2009 and included it in the annual report of the JISC to the CMP. In its report, the JISC highlighted the necessity to continually keep the JI-MAP under review to ensure the assumptions and arrangements included therein are adequate.
- 22. In accordance with paragraph 4 (b) of decision 3/CMP.2, the JISC is to adopt appropriate management indicators. At its eighth meeting, the JISC noted in its annual report to the CMP its intention to consider this issue in its forthcoming meetings.
- 23. **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the JI-MAP as necessary. In this context, the JISC as well may wish to take note of the status of resources and contributions.
- 24. The JISC may wish to consider the information to be provided by the secretariat with regard to possible management indicators and their development.

#### 4. Other matters

#### (a) Collaboration of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee with others

- 25. **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.
- 26. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss means by which to collaborate with stakeholders, in particular with those mentioned in paragraph 25 above, on the basis of experience gained in this respect since its establishment.

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#### (b) Other business

- 27. **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.
- 28. **Action:** The JISC may wish to discuss and agree on the provisional agenda of its tenth meeting.
- 29. As necessary, the JISC may wish to consider other issues.

#### Informal interaction with registered observers

- 30. **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.
- 31. **Action:** The JISC may wish to continue the practice of informal interaction with observers, referred to in paragraph 30 above, at the second day of its ninth meeting.

#### 5. Conclusion of the meeting

- 32. **Action:** The Chair may wish to summarize the meeting and the decisions taken.
- 33. The JISC may wish to adopt the report of its ninth meeting.

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