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## CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

## Version 01

# A. Background

1. Paragraphs 30–45 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) define the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) (hereinafter referred to as Track 2 procedure).

2. The present document clarifies the conditions under which monitoring periods of a JI project implemented under the Track 2 procedure may overlap.

#### B. Clarification regarding overlapping monitoring periods

3. In principle, whenever practically reasonable, monitoring periods of a JI project during the crediting period should not overlap.

- 4. However, monitoring periods of a JI project during the crediting period may overlap, where:
  - (a) The underlying project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals can be calculated independently; and
  - (b) Monitoring can be performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
  - (c) The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

5. The monitoring plan shall explicitly provide for overlapping monitoring periods of clearly defined project components, justify its need and state how the conditions mentioned in paragraph 4 above are met.

6. The accredited independent entity (AIE) shall assess whether the requirements listed in paragraphs 4 and 5 above are fulfilled as part of the determination in accordance with paragraph 33 of the JI guidelines.

7. The monitoring periods per component of the JI project have to be clearly specified in the monitoring reports and shall not overlap.

8. As part of the determination of emission reductions or enhancements of removals in accordance with paragraph 37 of the JI guidelines (hereinafter referred to as verification), the AIE shall:

- (a) Clearly indicate any verifications for the same project covering (part of) the same monitoring period that are already final in accordance with paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines; and
- (b) Explicitly indicate whether the verified emission reductions or enhancements of removals in question were already covered by any verification mentioned in paragraph 8 (a) above.



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9. A verification shall not be made publicly available in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines as long as published verifications for the same project covering (part of) the same monitoring period are not final in accordance with paragraph 39 of the JI guidelines.

