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Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee thirty-second meeting

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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC) shall ascertain whether: (a) the members present constitute a quorum; and (b) the absence of any member or alternate member is “without proper justification”.

Background: According to the Rules of procedure of the JISC, at least two-thirds of the members of the JISC, representing a majority of members from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention and a majority of members from Parties not included in Annex I, must be present to constitute a quorum.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the thirty-second meeting.

Background: At its previous meeting, the JISC agreed on items to be included in the provisional agenda of its thirty-second meeting. The proposed agenda was transmitted to the JISC on 27 May 2013 and thereafter posted on the UNFCCC joint implementation (JI) website in accordance with rule 19 of the Rules of procedure of the JISC.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Membership issues

3. ► **Action:** Members and alternate members of the JISC may wish to disclose whether they have any conflict of interest relating to the work of the JISC.

Background: According to paragraph 10(b) of the JI guidelines, quoted in paragraph 2 of rule 9 of the Rules of procedure of the JISC, members, including alternate members, of the JISC shall have no pecuniary or financial interest in any aspect of a JI project.

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, on grounds including, inter alia, breach of the conflict of interest provisions, breach of the confidentiality provisions or failure to attend two consecutive meetings of the JISC without proper justification.

Agenda item 3. Workplan

Agenda item 3.1. Accreditation of independent entities

4. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to give feedback on the concept note regarding broad options for the appropriate strategic direction for how the JI accreditation system should

develop over time in relation to the clean development mechanism (CDM) accreditation system, as contained in annex 1 to these annotations.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-first meeting, took note of the ongoing work by the CDM Executive Board on the revision of the CDM accreditation standard and procedure, as well as the designated operational entity (DOE) performance monitoring procedure. The JISC requested the secretariat to prepare a concept note on options for the development of the JI accreditation system in relation to the CDM accreditation system. The JISC also agreed to provide, as appropriate, a recommendation to the ninth session of the CMP on the possible alignment or integration of the two systems.

5. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to approve the draft workplan of the JI Accreditation Panel (JI-AP) for 2013, as contained in annex 2 to these annotations.

Background: Based on the approved JI management plan (JI-MAP) 2013–2014, the workplan of the JI-AP has been prepared, including products and routine operations that the panel is requested to consider during the year. The JISC will receive a report on the status of implementation of the work of the panel every six months.

Agenda item 3.2. Matters relating to determination and verification reports

6. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the status of: (a) projects submitted under the JI Track 2 procedure; (b) information provided by Parties in accordance with paragraph 20 of the JI guidelines.

Background: On 26 October 2006, during its fifth meeting, the JISC officially launched the verification procedure under the JISC (hereinafter referred to as the JI Track 2 procedure). Since the launch of the procedure, the information regarding Parties' designated focal points (DFPs), national guidelines and procedures for approving JI projects, in accordance with paragraph 20(a) and (b) of the JI guidelines, have not been provided to the secretariat by some Parties, as required for the submission of determination reports regarding project design documents (PDDs).

Agenda item 3.3. Management plan and resources for the work on joint implementation

7. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider the draft workplan of the JISC for 2013, as contained in annex 3 to these annotations.

Background: Based on the approved "Joint implementation two-year business plan and management plan 2013–2014" (JI-MAP) and routine operations, the workplan of the JISC has been prepared including products that the JISC plans to consider during the year 2013.

8. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to give feedback on a concept note for revised guidance on criteria for baseline-setting and monitoring to allow for positive lists, standardized approaches and standardized baselines, as contained in annex 4 to these annotations.

Background: The JISC, through its JI-MAP 2013, agreed to facilitate the development of JI projects through the revision of the "Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring". At its thirty-first meeting, the JISC agreed to reconsider at a future meeting the guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring with regard to changes in baselines.

Agenda item 4. Other matters

Agenda item 4.1. Guidance by the CMP

9. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider what recommendations it wishes to make to the ninth session of the CMP on specific substantive matters as a contribution to the review of the JI guidelines, taking into account the work referred to in paragraphs 4 and 8.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-first meeting, took note of the status of the review of the JI guidelines under the CMP and the submissions from Parties and admitted observer organizations on this subject. The JISC also agreed to provide recommendations to the ninth session of the CMP on specific substantive matters, as described in paragraph 24 of the report of the thirty-first meeting of the JISC. In this regard, the JISC requested the secretariat to prepare preliminary options for its consideration.

Agenda item 4.2. Relations with stakeholders, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

10. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider written inputs from the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum, if any, invite the Chair of the forum to the meeting and interact with the Chair, as appropriate.

Background: The JISC, at its tenth meeting, decided to recognize the DOE/AIE Coordination Forum as a communication channel between the JISC and accredited independent entities (accredited independent entities (AIEs) and applicant independent entities (IEs). The JISC also invited written inputs from the forum for discussion under an agenda item dedicated to interactions between the JISC and the forum.

11. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider any inputs received from the Project Developer Forum (PD Forum), and interact with its representative, as appropriate.

Background: The JISC, at its nineteenth meeting, decided to recognize the PD Forum as a communication channel between the JISC and project participants. The JISC also invited the PD Forum to send a representative as an observer to every meeting of the JISC, in order to interact with the JISC.

12. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to: (a) agree to make itself available for informal briefings with registered observers; and (b) invite members and alternates to share information on events in which they have participated.

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 has met with observers for a webcast question-and-answer session at each meeting.

Agenda item 4.3. Other business

13. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of an update on the work relating the enhanced media engagement strategy and implementation plan.

Background: The JISC, through its JI-MAP 2013, decided to enhance the engagement with market participants, stakeholders and policymakers through planning and implementing proactive communication efforts, in order to ensure understanding and appreciation of the benefits of JI, including its evolving role as a tool in the international response to climate change.

14. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of the report on carbon market and policy developments over the past few months.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-first meeting, requested the secretariat to continue providing an update on developments and prospects in the carbon market and related governmental policies at its next meeting.

15. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to consider a presentation on the use of electronic decisions in the verification procedure in JI.

Background: The JISC, at its thirty-first meeting, requested the secretariat to propose options to streamline the process for electronic decision-making covered in the procedures for reviews under the verification procedure.

16. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to take note of a report on the timelines between the requests for verification and the issuance of emission reduction units (ERUs).

Background: The JISC, at its thirtieth meeting, took note of the letter from the DFP of Ukraine in response to the request for clarification regarding the operational timelines for Track 2 processes of the DFP of Ukraine and requested the secretariat to monitor the time between verification and issuance of ERUs.

Agenda item 5. Conclusion of the meeting

17. ► **Action:** The JISC may wish to approve the report of the thirty-second meeting.

Background: The Chair will summarize the meeting and adopt the report, including references to any decisions taken.

Annexes to the annotations

- Annex 1 - Concept note on options for the strategic direction of the JI accreditation system
- Annex 2 - Draft workplan of the Joint Implementation Accreditation Panel for 2013
- Annex 3 - Draft workplan of the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee for 2013
- Annex 4 - Concept note on the revision of the “Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring” to allow positive lists, standardized approaches and standardized baselines

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