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- 2ND PERIODIC –

YARA PARDIES NITRIC ACID PLANT

YARA PARDIES N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT

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	“Yara Pardies N ₂ O Abatement Project”	Version01 2012-03-15	Version 02 2012-09-20	
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	Rainer Winter (TL) Sabine Meyer Dirk Speyer	Ulrich Walter Susanne Pasch	Eric Krupp	
Emission reductions: [t CO_{2e}]	Verified amount	As per Draft MR:	As per PDD:	
	84,729	92,338	In year 2011: 90,349 In year 2012: 63,836	
Summary of Verification Opinion:	<p>Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program to carry out the 2nd periodic verification of the project: “Yara Pardies N₂O Abatement Project”, with regard to the relevant requirements for JI (Track 1) project activities. The project reduces GHG emissions due to reduction of N₂O emissions. This verification covers the period from 2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29 (including both days).</p> <p>In the course of the verification 6 Corrective Action Requests (CAR) and 1 Clarification Requests (CL) were raised and successfully closed. Furthermore 1 FAR was raised to improve the monitoring system in the future. The verification is based on the draft monitoring report, revised monitoring report, and the monitoring plan as set out in the registered PDD, the determination report, emission reduction calculation spreadsheet and supporting documents made available to the TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP by the project participant.</p> <p>As a result of this verification, the verifier confirms that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - all operations of the project are implemented and installed as planned and described in the project design document. - the monitoring plan is in accordance with the applied country specific methodology: Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques: “Réduction catalytique du N₂O dans des usines d’acide nitrique”. - the installed equipment essential for measuring parameters required for calculating emission reductions are calibrated appropriately. - the monitoring system is in place and functional. The project has generated GHG emission reductions. <p>As the result of the 2nd periodic verification, the verifier confirms that the GHG emission reductions are calculated without material misstatements in a conservative and appropriate manner. TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP herewith confirms that the project has achieved emission reductions in the above mentioned reporting period as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Emission reductions: 84,729 t CO_{2e}</p> <p>Including a deduction of 10% according to the Arrêté du 2 mars 2007.</p>			



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Abbreviations:

AIE	Accredited Independent Entity
AMS	Automated Measuring System
CA	Corrective Action / Clarification Action
CAR	Corrective Action Request
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CL	Clarification Request
CNA	High Concentrated Nitric Acid
CO₂	Carbon dioxide
CO_{2eq}	Carbon dioxide equivalent
DVM	Determination and Verification Manual
ER	Emission Reduction
ERU	Emission Reduction Units
FAR	Forward Action Request
GHG	Greenhouse gas(es)
HnO₃	Nitric Acid
JI	Joint Implementation
MP	Monitoring Plan
MR	Monitoring Report
N₂O	Nitrous Oxide
PCS	Process Control System
PDD	Project Design Document
PP	Project Participant
QA/QC	Quality Assurance / Quality Control
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
XLS	Emission Reduction Calculation Spread Sheet



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1. INTRODUCTION

YARA PARDIES NITRIC ACID PLANT (Yara France) has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program (CP) to carry out the 2nd periodic verification of the project

“YARA PARDIES N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT”

with regard to the relevant requirements for JI (Track 1) project activities. The verifiers have reviewed the implementation of the monitoring plan (MP) in the registered JI project number FR1000186¹.

GHG data for the monitoring period covering 2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29 was verified in detailed manner applying the set of requirements, audit practices and principles as required under the Determination and Verification Manual ^{/DVM/} of the UNFCCC.

This report summarizes the findings and conclusions of this 2nd periodic verification of the above mentioned UNFCCC registered project activity.

1.1. Objective

The objective of the verification is the review and ex-post determination by an independent entity of the GHG emission reductions. It includes the verification of the:

- implementation and operation of the project activity as given in the PDD,
- compliance with applied approved monitoring plan,
- data given in the monitoring report by checking the monitoring records, the emissions reduction calculation and supporting evidence,
- accuracy of the monitoring equipment,
- quality of evidence,
- significance of reporting risks and risks of material misstatements.

1.2. Scope

The verification of this registered project is based on the project design document ^{/PDD/}, the monitoring reports ^{/MR/}, emission reduction calculation spreadsheet ^{/XLS/}, supporting documents made available to the verifier and information collected through performing interviews and during the on-site assessment. Furthermore publicly available information was considered as far as available and required.

The verification is carried out on the basis of the following requirements, applicable for this project activity:

- Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol ^{/KP/},

¹ <http://ji.unfccc.int/JIITLProject/DB/TZLM2JQ5F6I5W6QA5KCX7QQH8ZYX66/details>



- guidelines for the implementation of Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol as presented in the Marrakech Accords under decision 9/CMP.1 ^{/MA/}, and subsequent decisions made by the JISC and COP/MOP,
- other relevant rules, including the host country legislation,
- JI Validation and Verification Manual ^{/DVM/},
- monitoring plan as given in the registered PDD ^{/PDD/},
- Projet Domestique Methodology: “Catalytic reduction of N₂O at nitric acid plants “
Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques: “Réduction catalytique du N₂O dans des usines d'acide nitrique”



2. GHG PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1. Project Characteristics

Essential data of the project is presented in the following Table 2-1.

Table 2-1: Project Characteristics

Item	Data
Project title	Yara Pardies N ₂ O Abatement Project
Ji Track	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Track 2 <input type="checkbox"/> JPA
Project size	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Scale <input type="checkbox"/> Small Scale
Ji Approach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ji Specific Approach <input type="checkbox"/> Approved CDM Methodology
Project Scope (according to UNFCCC sectoral scope numbers for CDM)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Energy Industries (renewable- /non-renewable sources)
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Energy distribution
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Energy demand
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Manufacturing industries
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 Chemical industry
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Construction
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Transport
	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Mining/Mineral production
	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 Metal production
	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Fugitive emissions from fuels (solid, oil and gas)
	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 Fugitive emissions from production and consumption of halocarbons and hexafluoride
	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Solvents use
	<input type="checkbox"/> 13 Waste handling and disposal
	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 Land-use, land-use change and forestry
	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Agriculture
Methodology:	<i>Projet Domestique Methodology: "Catalytic reduction of N₂O at nitric acid plants"</i>
Technical Area(s):	5.1 (Q: N ₂ O)
ITL Project ID No.:	FR1000186
Crediting period	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewable Crediting Period (7 y) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fixed Crediting Period (2.39y) ^{*)}

^{*)} Until the end of the 1st Kyoto Commitment period on 31/12/2012, in accordance with the host country LoA.

2.2. Project Verification History

Essential events since the registration of the project are presented in the following Table 2-2.

Table 2-2: Project verification history

#	Item	Time	Status
1	Date of registration	2010-08-12 ^{a)}	-
2	Start of crediting period	2010-08-12	-
3	1 st Monitoring period	2010-08-12 to 2010-12-31	Verified and closed
4	2 nd Monitoring period	2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29	Matter of this verification



a) Date of registration is the date of issuing of the LoA by the French DFP (MEEDDM); a revised version was issued on 14/01/2011

2.3. Involved Parties and Project Participants

The following parties to the Kyoto Protocol and project participants are involved in this project activity (Table 2-3).

Table 2-3: Project Parties and project participants

Characteristic	Party	Project Participant
Host party	France	YARA France SAS (Nanterre) YARA International ASA, Oslo (Norway) N.serve Environmental Services GmbH (Germany)
Other Involved Party	Belgium	YARA France SAS

2.4. Project Location

The details of the project location are given in table 2-4:

Table 2-4: Project Location

No.	Project Location
Host Country:	France
Region:	Region: South West; Department: Pyrénées-Atlantiques; Commune: Pardies;
Project location:	Plant absorption towers and tail gas stacks: 43°22'20.90"N & 0°35'10.08"W; Ammonia burners: 43°22'21.32"N & 0°35'10.20"W;

2.5. Technical Project Description

The project activity aims to reduce levels of N₂O emissions from the production of nitric acid with a secondary N₂O abatement technology: the project involves the installation of a secondary N₂O reduction catalyst at the nitric acid production plant. The emission reductions are a result of the catalytic decomposition of nitrous oxide. Nitrous oxide which is formed as by-product of the nitric acid production will be removed by the catalyst installed below the standard precious metal gauze pack in the ammonia burner. The nitrous oxide would otherwise be emitted as part of the tail gas of the nitric acid plant to the atmosphere.

The key parameters for the project are given in table 2-5:

Table 2-5: Technical data of the nitric acid plant (2 lines)

Parameter	Unit	Value
2 Ammonia Oxidation Reactors		
Plant type		3.6 medium pressure plant
Start of commercial production	-	November 1960
Numbers adsorption towers		11
Products		53% and 63% concentrated nitric acid, high Concentrated Nitric Acid (CAN) and Nitrogen Peroxide (N ₂ O ₄)
Operating conditions as per specifications (trip point values)		
- Temperature (min/max):	°C	750 - 890
- Pressure (max):	Bar abs	No trip point
- Ammonia to Air ratio (max)	Vol.-%	8 to 12
Ammonia Oxidation Catalyst		
Manufacturer	-	K.A. Rassmussen AS
Type	-	n.a.
Composition:	-	Pt-Rh-Pd
Design campaign length	days	300
Absorber		
Design capacity per day (100 %)	tHNO ₃ /d	430
Design capacity per day (legal)	tHNO ₃ /d	460 incl. 30t N ₂ O ₄
Annual production (design)	days/year	340
Annual production	tHNO ₃	160,140
Secondary Catalyst		
Start of operation	-	August 2009
Manufacturer	-	YARA
Type	-	58-Y1
Composition:	-	cobalt (ii, iii) oxide dialuminium cobalt tetraoxide Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, Ce
Design efficiency N ₂ O reduction (guaranteed by supplier)	%	About 88-95 %
2 X N₂O Analyzers (2 stacks)		
Manufacturer	-	Dr. Födisch Umweltmesstechnik GmbH
Type	-	MCA 04
Measurement Principle	-	IR absorption
2 X Stack volume flow rate measurement		
Manufacturer	-	Dr. Födisch Umweltmesstechnik GmbH
Type	-	FMD 99
Measurement Principle	-	Differential pressure

3. METHODOLOGY AND VERIFICATION SEQUENCE

3.1. Verification Steps

The verification consisted of the following steps:

- Contract review
- Appointment of team members and technical reviewers
- Publication of the monitoring report
- A desk review of the Monitoring Report^{/MR/} submitted by the client and additional supporting documents with the use of customised verification protocol^{/CPM/} according to the Determination and Verification Manual^{/DVM/},
- Verification planning,
- On-Site assessment,
- Background investigation and follow-up interviews with personnel of the project developer and its contractors,
- Draft verification reporting
- Resolution of corrective actions (if any)
- Final verification reporting
- Technical review
- Final approval of the verification.

The sequence of the verification is given in the table 3.1 below:

Table 3.1: Verification sequence

Topic	Time
Assignment of verification	2012-03-28 till
On-site-visit	From 2012-03-28 till 2012-03-29
Draft reporting finalised	2012-04-14
Final reporting finalised	2012-09-28
Technical review finalised	2012-09-28

3.2. Contract review

To assure that

- the project falls within the scopes for which accreditation is held,



- the necessary competences to carry out the verification can be provided,
- Impartiality issues are clear and in line with the CDM accreditation requirements

a contract review was carried out before the contract was signed.

3.3. Appointment of team members and technical reviewers

On the basis of a competence analysis and individual availabilities a verification team, consistent of one team leader and 3 additional team members, was appointed. Furthermore also the personnel for the technical review and the final approval were determined.

The list of involved personnel, the tasks assigned and the qualification status are summarized in the table 3-1 below.

Table 3-1: Involved Personnel

	Name	Company	Function ¹⁾	Qualification Status ²⁾	Scheme competence	Technical competence ⁴⁾	Verification competence ⁵⁾	Host country Competence	Onsite Visit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Rainer Winter	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TL	SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Sabine Meyer	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TM ^{A)}	LA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Dirk Speyer	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TM ^{A)}	LA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Ulrich Walter	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TR ^{B)}	LA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Susanne Pasch	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TR ^{B)}	A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Eric Krupp	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	FA ^{B)}	SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-

¹⁾ TL: Team Leader; TM: Team Member, TR: Technical review; OT: Observer-Team, OR: Observer-TR; FA: Final approval

²⁾ GHG Auditor Status: A: Assessor; LA: Lead Assessor; SA: Senior Assessor; T: Trainee; TE: Technical Expert

³⁾ GHG auditor status (at least Assessor)



- 4) As per S01-MU03 or S01-VA070-A2 (such as 1.1, 1.2, ...)
- 5) In case of verification projects
 - A) Team Member: GHG auditor (at least Assessor status), Technical Expert (incl. Host Country Expert or Verification Expert), not ETE
 - B) No team member

3.4. Publication of the Monitoring Report

In accordance with decision 9/CMP.1 (§ 36) the draft monitoring report, as received from the project participants, has been made publicly available on the TÜV NORD Website www.global-warming.de during a 30 days period from 2012-03-15 to 2012-04-16. Comments received are taken into account in the course of the verification, if applicable. No comments were received.

3.5. Verification Planning

In order to ensure a complete, transparent and timely execution of the verification task the team leader has planned the complete sequence of events necessary to arrive at a substantiated final verification opinion.

Various tools have been established in order to ensure an effective verification planning.

Risk analysis and detailed audit testing planning

For the identification of potential reporting risks and the necessary detailed audit testing procedures for residual risk areas table A-1 is used. The structure and content of this table is given in table 3-2 below.

Table 3-2: Table A-1; Identification of verification risk areas

Table A-1: GHG calculation procedures and management control testing / Detailed audit testing of residual risk areas and random testing				
Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing performed	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including Forward Action Requests)



Table A-1: GHG calculation procedures and management control testing / Detailed audit testing of residual risk areas and random testing

Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing performed	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including Forward Action Requests)
<p>The following potential risks were identified and divided and structured according to the possible areas of occurrence.</p>	<p>The potential risks of raw data generation have been identified in the course of the monitoring system implementation. The following measures were taken in order to minimize the corresponding risks.</p> <p>The following measures are implemented:</p>	<p>Despite the measures implemented in order to reduce the occurrence probability the following residual risks remain and have to be addressed in the course of every verification.</p>	<p>The additional verification testing performed is described. Testing may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sample cross checking of manual transfers of data - Recalculation - Spreadsheet 'walk throughs' to check links and equations - Inspection of calibration and maintenance records for key equipment - Check sampling analysis results <p>Discussions with process engineers who have detailed knowledge of process uncertainty/error bands.</p>	<p>Having investigated the residual risks, the conclusions should be noted here. Errors and uncertainties are highlighted.</p>

The completed table A-1 is enclosed in the annex 1 (table A-1) to this report.

Project specific periodic verification checklist

In order to ensure transparency and consideration of all relevant assessment criteria, a project specific verification protocol has been developed. The protocol shows, in a transparent manner, criteria and requirements, means and results of the verification. The verification protocol serves the following purposes:

- It organises, details and clarifies the requirements a JI project is expected to meet for verification
- It ensures a transparent verification process where the verifying AIE documents how a particular requirement has been proved and the result of the verification.

The basic structure of this project specific verification protocol for the periodic verification is described in table 3-3.



Table 3-3: Structure of the project specific periodic verification checklist

Table A-2: Periodic verification checklist						
No.	DVM² paragraph / Checklist Item <i>(incl. guidance for the determination team)</i>	Initial Finding <i>(Means and results of assessment)</i>	Ref.	Action requested to project participant <i>(CAR, CL, FAR)</i>	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
<i>Number of the checklist item</i>	<i>The section gives a reference to the relevant paragraph of the DVM. The checklist items are linked to the various requirements the project should meet. The checklist is organised in various sections. Each section is then further subdivided as per the requirements of the topic and the individual project activity.</i>	<i>The section is used to elaborate and discuss the checklist item in detail. It includes the initial assessment of the verification team and how the assessment was carried out.</i>	<i>Gives reference to the information source on which the assessment is based on.</i>	<i>Assessment based on evidence provided if the criterion is not fulfilled a CAR, CL or FAR (details of each finding are elaborated in chapter 4) is raised otherwise no action is requested. The assessment refers to the draft verification stage.</i>	<i>Assessment based on the project participant action in response to the raised CAR, CL or FAR (details of each finding are elaborated in chapter 4). The assessment refers to the final verification stage.</i>	<i>Final assessment at the final verification stage is given.</i>

The periodic verification checklist (verification protocol) is the backbone of the complete verification starting from the desk review until final assessment. Detailed assessments and findings are discussed within this checklist and not necessarily repeated in the main text of this report.

The completed verification protocol is enclosed in the annex (table A-2) to this report.

² JISC 19 Annex 4

3.6. Desk review

During the desk review all documents initially provided by the client and publicly available documents relevant for the verification were reviewed. The main documents are listed below:

- the last revision of the PDD including the monitoring plan^{/PDD/},
- the last revision of the determination report^{/DET/},
- the monitoring report, including the claimed emission reductions for the project^{/MR/},
- the emission reduction calculation spreadsheet^{/XLS/}.

Other supporting documents, such as publicly available information on the UNFCCC / host country website and background information were also reviewed.

3.7. On-site assessment

As most essential part of the verification exercise it is indispensable to carry out an inspection on site in order to verify that the project is implemented in accordance with the applicable criteria. Furthermore the on-site assessment is necessary to check the monitoring data with respect to accuracy to ensure the calculation of emission reductions. The main tasks covered during the site visit include, but are not limited to:

- The on-site assessment included an investigation of whether all relevant equipment is installed and works as anticipated.
- The operating staff was interviewed and observed in order to check the risks of inappropriate operation and data collection procedures.
- Information processes for generating, aggregating and reporting the selected monitored parameters were reviewed.
- The duly calibration of all metering equipment was checked.
- The monitoring processes, routines and documentations were audited to check their proper application.
- The monitoring data were checked completely.
- The data aggregation trails were checked via spot sample down to the level of the meter recordings.

The following verification team members attended the site visit: S. Winter and D. Speyer.

Before and during the on-site visit the verification team performed interviews with the project participants to confirm selected information and to resolve issues identified in the document review.

Representatives of N.serve and Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant including the operational staff of the plant were interviewed. The main topics of the interviews are summarised in Table 3-4.



Table 3-4: Interviewed persons and interview topics

Interviewed Persons / Entities	Interview topics
1. Projects & Operations Personnel, Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General aspects of the project - Technical equipment and operation - Changes since validation - Calibration procedures - Quality management system - Involved personnel and responsibilities - Training and practice of the operational personnel - Implementation of the monitoring plan - Monitoring and measurement equipment - Maintenance
2. Consultant, N.serve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remaining issues from validation - Monitoring data management - Data uncertainty and residual risks - GHG emission reduction calculation - Procedural aspects of the verification - Environmental aspect - ER-calculation

3.8. Draft verification reporting

On the basis of the desk review, the on-site visit, follow-up interviews and further background investigation the verification protocol is completed. This protocol together with a general project and procedural description of the verification and a detailed list of the verification findings from the draft verification report. This report is sent to the client for resolution of raised CARs, CLs and FARs.

3.9. Resolution of CARs, CLs and FARs

Non-conformities raised during the verification can either be seen as a non-fulfilment of criteria ensuring the proper implementation of a project or where a risk to deliver high quality emission reductions is identified.

Corrective Action Requests (CARs) are issued, if:

- Non-conformities with the monitoring plan or methodology are found in monitoring and reporting, or if the evidence provided to prove conformity is insufficient;
- Mistakes have been made in applying assumptions, data or calculations of emission reductions which will impair the estimate of emission reductions;

- Issues identified in a FAR during validation or previous verifications requiring actions by the project participants to be verified during verification have not been resolved.

The verification team uses the term Clarification Request (CL), which is issued if:

- information is insufficient or not clear enough to determine whether the applicable JI requirements have been met.

Forward Action Requests (FAR) indicate essential risks for further periodic verifications. Forward Action Requests are issued, if:

- the monitoring and reporting require attention and / or adjustment for the next verification period.

For a detailed list of all CARs, CLs and FARs raised in the course of the verification pl. refer to chapter 4.

3.10. Final reporting

Upon successful closure of all raised CARs and CLs the final verification report including a positive verification opinion can be issued. In case not all essential issues could finally be resolved, a final report including a negative verification opinion is issued.

The final report summarizes the final assessments w.r.t. all applicable criteria.

3.11. Technical review

Before submission of the final verification report a technical review of the whole verification procedure is carried out. The technical reviewer is a competent GHG auditor being appointed for the scope this project falls under. The technical reviewer is not considered to be part of the verification team and thus not involved in the decision making process up to the technical review.

As a result of the technical review process the verification opinion and the topic specific assessments as prepared by the verification team leader may be confirmed or revised. Furthermore reporting improvements might be achieved.

3.12. Final approval

After successful technical review an overall (esp. procedural) assessment of the complete verification will be carried out by a senior assessor located in the accredited premises of TÜV NORD.

After this step the request for issuance can be started.



4. VERIFICATION FINDINGS

In the following paragraphs the findings from the desk review of the monitoring report^{/MR/}, the calculation spreadsheet^{/XLS/}, PDD^{/PDD/}, the Determination Report^{/DET/} and other supporting documents, as well as from the on-site assessment and the interviews are summarised.

The summary of CAR, CL and FAR issued are shown in Table 4-1:

Table 4-1: Summary of CAR, CL and FAR

Verification topic	No. of CAR	No. of CL	No. of FAR
A – Project Approvals	0	0	1
B – Project Implementation	0	0	0
C – Monitoring Plan Compliance	1	0	0
D – Monitoring Plan Revision	0	0	0
E – Data Management	5	1	0
SUM	6	1	1

The following tables include all raised CARs, CLs and FARs and the assessments of the same by the verification team. For an in depth evaluation of all verification items it should be referred to the verification protocols (see Annex).

Finding:	A1		
Classification	<input type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	The verifier of subsequent verification shall check that the sum of registered ERUs from former verifications and the ERUs of the actual period do not exceed the cap defined in the French LoA.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>			
AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure,</i>			



Finding:	A1
<i>additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the next periodic verification <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements

Finding:	C1
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR <input type="checkbox"/> CL <input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	Clarification is requested on the used determination method of nitric acid equivalent. For this monitoring period the amount of nitric acid produced at Yara Pardies site is only determined by the complex stoichiometric production calculation (mass balance). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The PP should explain why the three Flexim mass flow meters as indicated in PDD and monitoring report (of first verification) has not been used for the measurements of NAP flows. b) The description of the production calculation procedure for 53% nitric acid is not complete. c) Furthermore, please describe complete the measure uncertainties for the instruments that take part in the determination. d) Please clarify why the used monitoring method (stoichiometric production calculation) is accurate and how this approach can be considered as conservative.



Finding:	C1
<p>Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i></p>	<p>a) <i>The reasons why the flow meters are not the best method for measurement of NAP at this plant have been listed in the 2nd paragraph of section 5.3.4</i></p> <p>b) <i>The additional product Calcium Nitrate has now been added to the product description of the 53% nitric acid in the first bullet point of section 5.3.4</i></p> <p>c) <i>The measurement uncertainties have been added to steps 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the calculation procedure in section 5.3.4</i></p> <p>d) <i>The entire stoichiometric production calculation has been verified and approved by the French authorities for the reporting of the total HNO₃ production at Pardies. Please find below a summary of the cross-check procedures for each product to prove the accuracy and correctness of the calculation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 53% HNO₃: <i>Tank level readings cross-checked against NH₃ flow – NH₃ flow meters are regularly calibrated and accurate. Readings also checked against ultrasonic flow meter on product line.</i> • 63% HNO₃: <i>Results are cross-checked against readings from coriolis flow meter automatically measuring density and concentration of acid flowing to trucks for export. Samples also taken for lab analysis of acid concentration.</i> • CNA: <i>Tank level readings accurate to +/- 1%. Results are cross-checked against readings from coriolis flow meter measuring acid flowing to trucks for export. Samples also taken for lab analysis of acid concentration.</i> • HNO₃ equivalent from N₂O₄: <i>weighing of the storage tank is accurate to +/-0,05%</i> <p><i>All resulting figures are cross-checked against mass balance calculation using NH₃ consumption of the burners.</i></p>



Finding:	C1												
<p>AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added..</i></p>	<p>The relevant section of the MR has been updated. The verification team confirms that provided information and description reflect the real situation observed during the on-site visit.</p> <p>The PP uses a “mass balance calculation” in this context for the complete NAP determination process based on production figures. The verifier accepts the more exact way of NAP determination since production figures and results of NAP calculation based on daily Ammonia conversion are higher which supports the conservative approach:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Theoretical amount of NAP 100% based on NH₃ consumption and a conservative conversion efficiency of 95%</th> <th>measured amount of NAP 100% used for ER</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Line 1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">83,283 t</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Line 2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">70,321 t</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sum</td> <td style="text-align: center;">153,603 t</td> <td style="text-align: center;">148,910.7 t</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The verification team has carefully checked the monitoring methods and production records for the four separate product lines and concludes that the monitored amount of NAP was calculated and determined in line with relevant requirements and on a sufficient and exact way. All instruments for this determination process were proper calibrated. Therefore CAR has been closed out.</p>		Theoretical amount of NAP 100% based on NH ₃ consumption and a conservative conversion efficiency of 95%	measured amount of NAP 100% used for ER	Line 1	83,283 t		Line 2	70,321 t		Sum	153,603 t	148,910.7 t
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Finding:	E1
<p>Classification</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR <input type="checkbox"/> CL <input type="checkbox"/> FAR </p>
<p>Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i></p>	<p>During the document review an inconsistency in the ER excel spreadsheet regarding the extra hour at 2:00 on 2011-10-30 (summer - winter time change) has been identified. The PP should also clarify the reason.</p>



Finding:	E1
<p>Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i></p>	<p><i>It was checked and confirmed that the correct number of operating hours were recorded for 30/10/2011 (25 hours due to summer - winter time change). However, in column A (date and time) of the raw data sheet the hour 02:00 is shown 3 times instead of 2 times and the hour 23:00 is missing. In column B (time) the correct time is shown. The reason for this could not be clarified and the project participant will check this issue again during the next summer - winter time change.</i></p>
<p>AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>The project documentation (ER excel spreadsheet) was manually corrected by PP; as originally the correct number of operating hours were taken into account there was no influence on ER figure. The CAR has been closed out.</p>
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements </p>

Finding:	E2		
Classification	<input type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
<p>Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i></p>	<p>The justification on the concentration gradient of N₂O in the stack gas during the Monitoring Period shall be further elaborated. The course shows strong depressions as well an abrupt increase of the N₂O concentration at the end of the monitoring period. The PP is requested to clarify the main reasons of the course of measured N₂O concentration (NCSG of line 1 and 2) in the stack gas over the campaign.</p>		



Finding:	E2
<p>Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i></p>	<p><i>The large fluctuations in the N₂O concentration during the monitoring period were due to the following reasons:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>11/01/2011: high peak in N₂O emissions from line 2. Burner 1 was shut down, causing all gas to be emitted through line 2.</i> • <i>13/01/2011: Drop in emissions from line 1 due to primary catalyst gauze change and addition of extra de-N₂O catalyst</i> • <i>10/02/2011: Drop in emissions from line 2 due to primary catalyst gauze change and addition of extra de-N₂O catalyst</i> • <i>Mid Jan to end Feb 2012: Significant increase in N₂O emissions due to problems with the basket seal in burner 2, which was leading to gas by-passing. The plant was shut down on 24/02/2012 in order to repair the basket. The N₂O levels have since returned to normal.</i>



Finding:	E2
<p>AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>The verifier concludes that the description of the relevant reasons responsible for concentration gradient of N₂O in the stack gas during the Monitoring Period is traceable. The course of NCSG over the second monitoring period is shown in the following figure. Furthermore the explanation is in accordance to the situation verified onsite via interviews with the plant staff and in accordance with plant operation history. The verifier confirms that the concentration of N₂O in the stack gas is further more in relation to (a) the mean residence time in AOR (secondary catalyst and flow velocity); (b) the conditions of precious metal gauze; (c) concentration of NO_x in the stack gas flow as a function of the produced concentration and amount of HNO₃ (a part of N₂O is generated in the De-NO_x reactor from NO_x during the destruction process. Depending on the process parameter of the nitric acid plant and De-NO_x reactor conditions different N₂O concentration can be expected.) The verifier checked during the on site audit the reasons for drops of NCSG figures and found the reasonable explanations given by the plant operator acceptable.</p> <p>The CAR is closed.</p>
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements </p>



Finding:	E3		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	During the on-site visit for the second verification it has been identified that the processing of the monitoring data during is incorrect. The N ₂ O concentrations in the stack gas are measured by the both Födisch analysers in ppm. But the values are not (correctly) converted in mg/Nm ³ as indicated in the raw data sheet neither in the DCS or Excel program. Therefore the project emissions are about 1.96 times higher. A correction of the emission reduction calculation and a revision of the monitoring report are requested.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	<i>The Raw data sheet was corrected accordingly and N₂O measurement values were converted from ppm to mg/Nm³, using a conversion factor of 1.964 mg/Nm³ / ppm. All relevant figures in the monitoring report (version 02) and the ERU calculation sheet (ver 03) have been updated accordingly.</i>		
AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	The verifier checked revised calculations in detail and concludes that the conversion from ppm in mg/Nm ³ of N ₂ O concentrations is now carried out correct. The verification team confirms also that no other conversion procedure is implemented in DSC or AMS. As a consequence the emission factor changed to EF _n = 0.3710 kgN ₂ O/ tHNO ₃ (before 0.1878 kgN ₂ O/ tHNO ₃). Based on the corrections (conversion from ppm in mg/Nm ³ and correction of N ₂ O concentration to dry conditions) the achieved CO ₂ e emission reductions including a deduction of 10% are 84,729 tCO ₂ e (before 92,338 tCO ₂ e). Furthermore the PP revised all relevant figures in the monitoring report. The CAR has been closed out.		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the next periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies the requirements		



Finding:	E4		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	<p>During the onsite visit the verifier checked both Födisch analysers for the N₂O concentration determination and found different settings regarding the correction of water vapour: The analyser used for line 2 did not use the automatic moisture correction but N₂O concentration for line 1 was corrected automatically by the analyser to dry conditions. Clarification is requested regarding the used parameter in the Födisch analyser for the N₂O concentration determination: The PP shall provide the “Parameter list regarding the correction of water vapour” as evidence that the calculation system of the analyser works correctly.</p>		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	<p><i>The settings in the analyser for line 1 and line 2 were checked and it was noted, that the N₂O concentration for line 1 was corrected by the analyser to dry conditions and that the N₂O concentration for line 2 were not corrected and therefore measured in wet conditions. As evidence a screenshot of the parameter settings for both analyzers is provided to TÜV Nord.</i></p> <p><i>The N₂O results for line 2 were corrected to dry conditions in the raw data calculation sheet by application of the measured moisture content.</i></p>		
AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	<p>The verifier checked the revised raw data calculation sheet and concludes that the calculation for the correction of N₂O concentration to dry conditions is correct. The used water concentrations in stack gas for this correction were measured by the Födisch analyser in an exact way. Therefore the verifier concludes that this approach is acceptable and CAR is closed out.</p>		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the next periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies the requirements		



Finding:		E5		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR	
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	The MR states that there are no hours in which the plant emissions exceed the EF _{BM} . But the evidence is missing. Therefore the PP is requested to demonstrate in ER calculation that hourly emission factors are lower than EF _{BM} .			
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	<p><i>Due to the configuration of the monitoring setup (two AMS for NCSG and VSG at line 1 and line 2 with hourly measurement results and only one total NAP measurement with daily average results) it is not possible to calculate emission factors on hourly basis for comparison with the benchmark. However, according to the IPPC BREF document³ a N2O concentration of 400 ppm (785.6 mg/Nm³) corresponds to an emission factor of 2.5 kgN₂O/tHNO₃ and a N2O concentration of 296 ppm (581.34 mg/Nm³) corresponds to an emission factor of 1.85 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.</i></p> <p><i>In case of the AMS at line 1 the maximum N2O concentration was 488.5 mg/Nm³, at line the maximum N2O concentration was 629.6 mg/Nm³. In total only two results of line 2 were higher than 581.34 mg/Nm³. For the reasons described above it can't be clearly decided if the benchmark values were exceeded during these two hours. As a conservative approach it was decided for this monitoring period not to exclude this two hours from the ERU calculations.</i></p>			
AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	The verifier accepts the used approach and concludes that two hourly mean values results of line 2 (602.06 and 629.6 mg/Nm ³) were higher than 581.34 mg/Nm ³ . The MR was revised accordingly. Furthermore it is a conservative approach to take the both values into account for the statistical analyse. Therefore CL E5 has been closed out.			
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements			

Finding:		E6		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR	

³ EC: Reference document on best available techniques for the manufacture of large volume inorganic chemicals, 2007, page 102



Finding:	E6
<p>Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i></p>	<p>The following issues need to be addressed in the Monitoring Report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Information regarding organisation structure of this project, roles and responsibilities of personnel are missing. 2. The measurement frequency of all Data and Parameters has to be reported in Annex 1 according to the methodology and PDD. 3. Information about project data storage and duration are missing. 4. The operating experience regarding the “lifetime” of the secondary catalyst should be amended. 5. The table of events concerning the project in this monitoring period should be completed. 6. Correct units have to be used in the table in section 5.1. 7. Correct dates AST audits should be reported. <p>Please revise.</p>
<p>Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>The roles and responsibilities of Pardies plant staff has been included in Annex 3 of the MR</i> 2. <i>The measurement frequency of all parameters has been included in Annex 1</i> 3. <i>Information about project data storage and duration has been included before the table in Annex 1</i> 4. <i>Additional information regarding the ‘lifetime’ of the secondary catalyst has been added in section 3</i> 5. <i>The table of events in Annex 2 has now been completed for the entire monitoring period</i> 6. <i>The correct units have been added to the table in section 5.1</i> 7. <i>The dates of the AST audits have now been corrected in Annex 2</i>



Finding:	E6
<p>AIE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-2. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and AIE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>The verifier checked the verification report in detail and concludes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roles and responsibilities for the JI project operation are properly defined. The information in Annex 3 of MR has been checked by the verifier and it can be concluded that the description is consistent with roles, management and responsibility charts^{/MSR/} of internal project documentation. 2. The correct measurement frequencies of all parameters (as observed during the on-site visit) are included in Annex 1. 3. Missing information about project data storage and duration are added in Annex 1. 4. Further information is given regarding the lifetime of secondary catalyst. 5. All project relevant events are reported. 6. Correct units are used. 7. The reported dates are consistent with the AST reports. <p>Therefore CAR has been closed out.</p>
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the next periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements </p>

5. SUMMARY OF VERIFICATION ASSESSMENTS

The following paragraphs include the summary of the final verification assessments after all CARs and CLs are closed out. For details of the assessments pl. refer to the discussion of the verification findings in chapter 4 and the verification protocol (Annex 1).

5.1. *Implementation of the project*

During the verification a site visit was carried out. On the basis of this site visit and the reviewed project documentation it can be confirmed that w.r.t. the realized technology, the project equipments, as well as the monitoring and metering equipment, the project has been implemented and operated as described in the registered PDD.

5.2. *Project history*

During the determination or former verifications the AIE raised issues that could not be closed or resolved during the validation/verification stage. No FARs have been raised relevant to this verification.

5.3. *Special events*

No major events, apart from the reported plant shut downs for regular maintenance and due to trips with effect on the monitoring of the project have been observed during the monitoring period:

- Scheduled shut downs for maintenance and unplanned situations:
(Plant line 1: Totally 413h downtime or plant out of operation; 9,787h plant operation.
Plant line 2: Totally 738h downtime or plant out of operation; 9,462h plant operation.)

Events:

- Line 2 shutdown due to reduced demand
- Line 1 shutdown for catalyst gauze change and N₂O catalyst top-up
- (Both AMS down for supplier maintenance)
- Line 2 shutdown for catalyst gauze change and N₂O catalyst top-up

- Annual shutdown, line 2
 - Annual shutdown, line 1
 - Unscheduled shutdown on both lines
 - Plant trips, both lines
- Malfunction of N₂O abatement system:
 - During the period 01/01/2011 to 31/12/2011, the N₂O emission factor did not exceed the benchmark emissions factor of 2.50 kg N₂O/tHNO₃.
 - During the period 01/01/2012 to 29/02/2012, the N₂O emission factor did not exceed the benchmark emissions factor of 1.85 kg N₂O/tHNO₃.
 - N₂O analyser downtime:
 - Line 1: For 60 out of the 9,787 hourly average data sets, the analyzer status signals indicated that the analyzer was considered out of operation (downtime) for more than 50% of the hour. The substitute value for this verification period was 236.45 mg/m³.
 - Line 2: For 51 out of the 9,462 hourly average data sets, the analyzer status signals indicated that the analyzer was considered out of operation (downtime) for more than 50% of the hour. The substitute value for this verification period was 215.02 mg/m³.

5.4. Compliance with the monitoring plan

The monitoring system and all applied procedures are completely in compliance with the registered monitoring plan.

5.5. Monitoring parameters

During the verification all relevant monitoring parameters (as listed in the PDD) have been verified with regard to the appropriateness of the applied measurement / determination method, the correctness of the values applied for ER calculation, the accuracy, and applied QA/QC measures. The results as well as the verification procedure are described parameter-wise in the project specific verification checklist.

N₂O concentration (NCSG) and volume flow of the stack gas (VSG) were monitored continuously as per PDD.

The nitric acid plant at Pardies produces four separate products: 53% and 63% concentrated nitric acid, Nitrogen Peroxide (N₂O₄) and high concentrated nitric acid

CNA (near 100%). As per PDD the NAP equivalents (total metric tons of 100% concentrated nitric acid) must be measured and determined from three sources: (a) flow meters for each concentration stream; (b) stoichiometric mass balance calculation; and (c) nitric acid storage levels.

During the second monitoring period the new installed flow meters for CNA and 53% HNO₃ caused problems and some double counting situations occurred during the determination of 63% HNO₃. Therefore the nitric acid produced during the second verification period was only calculated on a sufficient and exact way on a daily basis of production figures, and flow meter results were used only for the purpose of cross checking.

The verification team has carefully checked the monitoring methods and production records and confirms that the monitored amount of NAP was calculated and determined in line with relevant requirements and on a sufficient and exact way.

After appropriate corrections to raised CARs and CLs were carried out by the project participant it can be confirmed that all relevant monitoring parameters have been measured / determined without material misstatements and in line with all applicable standards and relevant requirements.

Parameter:	Applied value:	Unit:
NCSG _n (line 1)	155.12	mg N ₂ O/Nm ³
VSG _n (line 1)	18,524.25	Nm ³ /h
PE _n (line 1)	28,122.97	kgN ₂ O
OH _n (line 1)	9,787	h
NCSG _n (line 2)	145.73	mg N ₂ O/Nm ³
VSG _n (line 2)	19,666.00	Nm ³ /h
PE _n (line 2)	27,117.67	kgN ₂ O
OH _n (line 2)	9,462	h
PE _n total	55,240.64	kgN ₂ O
NAP _n for both lines	148,910.72	tHNO ₃
EF _n	0.3710	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
EF _{BM} (2011)	2.50	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
EF _{BM} (2012)	1.85	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃

Table 5.5.1: Monitoring parameter



5.6. Monitoring report

A draft monitoring report was submitted to the verification team by the project participants. The team has made this report publicly available prior to the start of the verification activities. No comments were received.

During the verification, mistakes and needs for clarification were identified. The PP has carried out the requested corrections so that it can be confirmed that the monitoring report is complete and transparent and in accordance with the registered PDD and other relevant requirements.

5.7. ER Calculation

During the verification, mistakes in the Excel ER calculation sheet were identified. A revised ER calculation was prepared by the PP and presented to the verification team. All raised issues were addressed appropriately so that the corresponding CARs could be closed out.

Thus it is confirmed that the ER calculation is overall correct.

The calculation of the emission reduction is based on raw data (daily averages in the case of NAP else hourly averages) received from the data processing unit.

A statistical evaluation of raw data (hourly averages) was applied for calculating campaign specific emissions for line 1 and 2:

- For all N₂O data sets a plausibility check was conducted. All data sets containing values that are implausible was eliminated.
- Calculation of the sample mean;
- Calculation of the sample standard deviation;
- Calculation of the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation);
- Elimination of data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval;
- Calculation of the new sample mean from the remaining values.

The verification team confirm the correctness of the calculated values.

Parameter:	Line 1	Line 2	Applied value:
NCSG _n	[mg N ₂ O/Nm ³]	[mg N ₂ O/Nm ³]	
	155.12	145.73	mean value
	28.09	25.16	lower limit of confidence interval
	30.85	50.91	lowest value in confidence interval
	307.26	292.15	upper limit of

			confidence interval
	307.22	292.15	highest value in confidence interval
VSG _n	[Nm ³ /h]	[Nm ³ /h]	
	18,524.25	19,666.00	mean value
	13,216.00	15,974.00	lower limit of confidence interval
	13,219.97	16,004.53	lowest value in confidence interval
	23,816.00	23,698.00	upper limit of confidence interval
	23,814.87	23,691.47	highest value in confidence interval

Table 5.5.1: Upper/Lower limits and mean value of NCSG and VSG (line 1 and 2) according to statistical analysis applied for ER-calculation

The total amount of N₂O as project emission is calculated as:

$$PE_n (\text{line 1}) = VSG_n * NCSG_n * OH_n * 10^{-6} \quad (\text{kgN}_2\text{O})$$

+

$$PE_n (\text{line 2}) = VSG_n * NCSG_n * OH_n * 10^{-6} \quad (\text{kgN}_2\text{O})$$

$$PE_n \text{ total} = 55,240.64 \text{ kgN}_2\text{O}$$

Relating to metric tonnes of 100% concentrated nitric acid:

$$EF_n = (PE_n \text{ total} / NAP_n) = 0.3710 \text{ kgN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3$$

PE_n Total N₂O emissions during the specific Verification Period

EF_n Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from the defined Verification Period n

NCSG_n Mean concentration of N₂O in the tail gas stream during the verification period

VSG_n Mean tail gas volume flow rate during the verification period

NAP_n Nitric acid production during the Verification Period

OH_n Operating hours of the plant during the Verification Period

GWP_{N₂O} 310 tCO₂e/tN₂O .

$$ERU_{2011} = ((EF_{BM2011} - EF_n)/1000 \times NAP_{2011} \times GWP_{N2O}) * 0.9 \quad (76,257tCO_2e)$$

$$+ \\ ERU_{2012} = ((EF_{BM2012} - EF_n)/1000 \times NAP_{2012} \times GWP_{N2O}) * 0.9 \quad (8,472tCO_2e)$$

$$ERU = 84,729 tCO_2e$$

5.8. Quality Management

Quality Management procedures for measurements, collection and compilation of data, data storage and archiving, calibration, maintenance and training of personnel in the framework of this JI project activity have been defined and applied. The procedures defined can be assessed as appropriate for the purpose.

5.9. Overall Aspects of the Verification

All necessary and requested documentation was provided by the project participants so that a complete verification of all relevant issues could be carried out.

Access was granted to all installations of the plant which are relevant for the project performance and the monitoring activities.

No issues have been identified indicating that the implementation of the project activity and the steps to claim emission reductions are not compliant with the UNFCCC / host country criteria and relevant guidance provided by the COP/CMP and the JISC (clarifications and/or guidance).

5.10. Hints for next periodic Verification

No Forward Action Requests have been raised for the next verification.

6. VERIFICATION OPINION

Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program to carry out the 2nd periodic verification of the project: “YARA PARDIES N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT”, with regard to the relevant requirements for JI project activities. The project reduces GHG emissions due to the reduction of N₂O emissions from the production of nitric acid with secondary N₂O abatement technology (secondary catalyst). This verification covers the period from 2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29 (including both days).

In the course of the verification 6 Corrective Action Requests (CAR) and 1 Clarification Requests (CL) were raised and successfully closed. Furthermore 1 FAR was raised to improve the monitoring system in the future. The verification is based on the draft monitoring report, revised monitoring report, the monitoring plan as set out in the registered PDD, the determination report, emission reduction calculation spreadsheet and supporting documents made available to the TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP by the project participant.

As a result of this verification, the verifier confirms that:

- all operations of the project are implemented and installed as planned and described in the project design document.
- the monitoring plan is in accordance with the applied country specific methodology: Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques: “Réduction catalytique du N₂O dans des usines d'acide nitrique”.
- the installed equipment essential for measuring parameters required for calculating emission reductions are calibrated appropriately.
- the monitoring system is in place and functional. The project has generated GHG emission reductions.

As the result of the 2nd periodic verification, the verifier confirms that the GHG emission reductions are calculated without material misstatements in a conservative and appropriate manner. TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP herewith confirms that the project has achieved emission reductions in the above mentioned reporting period as follows:

Emission reductions: **84,729** t CO₂e

Including a deduction of 10% according to the Arrêté du 2 mars 2007.

Essen, 2012-09-30



Rainer Winter
TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP
Verification Team Leader

Essen, 2012-09-30



Eric Krupp
TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP
Final Approval

7. REFERENCES

Table 7-1: Documents provided by the project participant(s)

Reference	Document
/ARRETE/	'Arrêté préfectoral' from local DREAL (Directions Régionales de l'Environnement, de l'Aménagement et du Logement, Prefet des Pyrenees Atlatiques) dated 25.01.1999, regarding max. Emission from Yara Pardies Nitric Acid plant (<2.5 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃).
/AR/	"final Arrêté Préfectorale" from local DREAL (Directions Régionales de l'Environnement, de l'Aménagement et du Logement, Prefet des Pyrenees Atlatiques) dated 24 th August 2010, regarding max. Emission from Yara Pardies Nitric Acid plant (<2.5 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃).
/AS/	Aspentech Production Management & Execution and Data Collection & Storage system – technical description and documentation
/AST/	Annual Surveillance Test AST (carried out by Müller-BBM): Test for year 2011 performed on 22/02/2011; Report Nos. M91 045/1 (line 1) and M91 045/2 (line 2). Test for year 2012 performed on 07-08/02/2012; Report Nos. M98 036/1 (line 1) and M98 036/2 (line 2).
/APP/	Application for approval of a first track JI project activity.
/AZR/	Automatic zero check. Print out of the Aspentech Production Management & Execution (also Data Collection and Storage system)
/CAL1/	Calibration of NH ₃ -Flow Meters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calibration Certificate N° MO012432 ,dated 02/12/2008: Calibration of the Debitmetre Vortex, Endress Hauser; Prowirl 70F, SNr: 7209E802000. TAG: FT 2210 A performed by Ceglec. • Calibration Certificate N° MO012421 ,dated 02/12/2008: Calibration of the Debitmetre Vortex Endress Hauser; Prowirl 70F, SNr: 5D623628. TAG: FT 2210 B performed by Ceglec. • Calibration Certificate N° MO012432 ,dated 02/12/2008: Calibration of the Debitmetre Vortex, Endress Hauser; Prowirl 70F , SNr: 603021. TAG: FT 2210 A performed by Ceglec. • Calibration Certificate N° MO012421 ,dated 02/12/2008: Calibration of the Debitmetre Vortex Endress Hauser; Prowirl



Reference	Document
	70F , SNr:683870. TAG: FT 2210 B performed by Ceglec.
/CAL2/	Procedure for in-house recalibration of the NH ₃ -flow meters (TAG: FT 2210 A and TAG: FT 2210 B).
/CAL 3/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weight bridge calibrations, performed by Societe Levaufre, • Weight bridge control checks, performed by Societe Levaufre
/CHECK/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOJO Control jour – overview daily HNO₃ production and consumption. • Daily aggregation of all charging levels and changes. • Daily overview production and consumption/sold N₂O₄. • Daily overview distribution nitric acid 53%. • Daily overview distribution nitric acid 63%. • Daily overview distribution nitric acid ANC. • Daily overview distribution nitric acid – Ammonium Nitrate solution. • Daily overview distribution nitric acid – Calcium Nitrate.
/FG/	Announcement in the German Federal Gazette regarding the suitability of the AMS Dr. Foedisch MCA 04 .
/FOED-MAIN/	<p>-Working, maintenance and service report about commissioning of the gas analyser MCA 04 and FMD 99 by Dr. Foedisch Umweltmesstechnik AG.</p> <p>-Assembly, maintenance and calibration protocol, about the check of MCA 04 by Dr. Foedisch Umweltmesstechnik AG.</p>
/FLOWS/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flow-sheet of nitric acid process at Pardies Nitric Acid Plant (I). • Flow-sheet of nitric acid process at Pardies Nitric Acid Plant (II). • Pardies HNO₃ plant – simplified process flow chart showing key process equipment relevant for the JI N₂O reduction project.
/LOA/	<p>Host country LoA France (old version) : LoA issued by the French “Ministère de l’Écologie, de l’Énergie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer, en charge des Technologies vertes et des Négociations sur le climat” on 2010-08-12.</p> <p>Host country LoA France (actuel version) : LoA issued by the French “Ministère de l’Écologie, de l’Énergie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer, en charge des Technologies vertes et des Négociations sur le climat” on 2011-01-14.</p>



Reference	Document
/LOA/	Investor country LoA issued by the Belgian Designated Focal Point (DFP), National Climate Commission of Belgium on 2011-04-04, DFP Ref-No.: NKC/FP/4.
/MR/	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Published Monitoring report of GHGs emission reductions (2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29) “Yara Pardies N₂O Abatement” dated 2012-03-15, Vers. 01, issued by N.serve. 2. Monitoring report of GHGs emission reductions (2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29) “Yara Pardies N₂O Abatement” 2012-08-01, Vers. 02, issued by N.serve. 3. FINAL Monitoring report of GHGs emission reductions (2011-01-01 to 2012-02-29) “Yara Pardies N₂O Abatement” 2012-09-20, Vers. 02, issued by N.serve.
/MCF/	Basic maintenance description MCA04 and FMD 99.
/MPRA/	Maintenance Protocol Remote Maintenance by Dr. Foedisch Umweltmesstechnik AG. Date: 26.01.2011.
/MSR/	Management and Responsibility Charts (general and local responsibilities).
/PLOT/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plot of NAP(total) in verification period. • Plot of N₂O-concentrations in verification period (Source: XLS).
/PP/	Plant Permit from 1999, with the production capacity of the nitric acid unit stated in Annex 2, Article 1, section 1.2.: The production of the whole unit is stated as 460t/day product, of which 30t/day is Nitrogen Peroxide, leaving 430t/day for the three HNO ₃ concentrations.
/QA/	Parts of the electronic overall quality assurance programme/electronic control card. Implemented QA system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SAP plot of the maintenance control cards - Control cards “N₂O Analyser Dr. Födisch” MCA 04.
/QAL1A/	<p>QAL1 Certificate 0000025929 dated 2010-03-10 regarding suitability of the AMS MCA 04 (Dr. Födisch) according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland.</p> <p>QAL1 Certificate 0000025929_1 dated 2010-08-02 regarding suitability of the AMS MCA 04 according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland.</p> <p>(i.a. with extended calibration periods: 3 months).</p>



Reference	Document
/QAL1V/	QAL1 Certificate No: 936/808005/C 2000-04-10 regarding FMD 99 Volumeter, English issued by TÜV Rheinland. QAL1 Certificate No: 936/808005/C 2000-04-10 regarding FMD 99 Volumeter, German.
/QAL2CALI B/	Report on performance tests and calibration of the AMS according to EN 14181 performed by Müller-BBM on 15/02/2010 (Report Nos. M82 450/19 “line 1” and M82 450/22 “line 2”).
/QPROCE/	Quality procedures and instrument verification: “Procedure for calibration and management of maintenance of AMS : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plan de maintenance AMS. - PRD-12003 – Gestion de AMS – management system. - PRD-12005 – Contrôle visuel analyseurs. - PRD-12006 – Etalonnage sur site – calibration procedures. - PRD-12004 – Stockage et traitement des données – data storage processing.
/SPECPRO C/	Specifications of monitoring equipments for NAP determination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - transmitter 53% HNO₃ storage level. - transmitter 63% HNO₃ storage level. - transmitter CAN storage level. Calibration information for monitoring instrument (N ₂ O ₄ storage). Calibration and maintenance procedure for tank level transmitters. Lab procedure for sample analyses for HNO ₃ (trucks).
/TRIP/	Print out of the Aspentech Production Management & Execution (also Data Collection and Storage system): safety parameter and Trip points of the AOR1 and AOR2.
/Water/	-Operation manual MCA04 2.3f. - Screenshots of the parameter settings regarding moisture content of both analysers.
/XLS/	ERU Excel calculation spreadsheet “Pardies Monitoring Data 2 nd Ver: “Calc_No_02_Pardies_V02_20120314_MS.xlsx”. ERU Excel calculation spreadsheet for Pardies Monitoring Data 2 nd Ver: “Calc_No_02_Pardies_V03_20120731_MS.xlsx” (final).

Table 7-2: Background investigation and assessment documents

Reference	Document
/14181/	European Standard DIN EN 14181: “Stationary source emissions – Quality assurance of automated measuring systems.
/AM0034/	Approved baseline and monitoring methodology AM0034: “Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants”, version 3.4.
/AR/	Arrêté du 2 mars 2007 of the ‘Ministère de l’écologie et du développement durable (Implementation of the JI-Guidelines in France).
/BACK/	Background paper: “N ₂ O EMISSIONS FROM ADIPIC ACID AND NITRIC ACID PRODUCTION“, Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories issued by the NGGIP.
/BELGIUM/	Rules established by the National Climate Commission for the submission of an application for approval for a project activity.
/BREF/	Reference Document on Best Available Techniques for the Manufacture of Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals - Ammonia, Acids and Fertilisers.
/CPM/	TÜV NORD JI / CDM CP Manual (incl. CP procedures and forms).
/DET/	Determination Report of the JI track 1 project: Yara Pardies N ₂ O Abatement Project, Report No.: 600500365, dated 2010-07-05, issued by TÜV Sued.
/DVM/	Ji Determination and Verification Manual.
/GUIDE/	Guidance: Developing a CDM or JI project to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, issued by the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Ministry for Economy, Industry and Employment. • French Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Town and Country Planning. • French Global Environment Facility.

Reference	Document
/IPCC/	1. 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: work book. 2. 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: work book.
/KPI/	Kyoto Protocol (1997).
/MA/	Decision 3/CMP. 1 (Marrakesh – Accords).
/METH/	Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques. Réduction catalytique du N ₂ O dans des usines d'acide nitrique (Projet Domestique Methodology: Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O at nitric acid plants).
/METHE/	Projet Domestique Methodology. Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O at nitric acid plants (Translation of ^{/METH/})
/PDD/	Project Design Document Version 03 dated 24.05.2010 “YARA Pardies N ₂ O abatement project”.
/SAFE/	SAFETY DATA SHEET, YARA N ₂ O Abatement Catalyst 58-Y1, 58-Y1-S in accordance with EU REACH regulation.

Table 7-3: Websites used

Reference	Link	Organisation
/belgium/	http://www.cnc-nkc.be/KLIMAATPLAN/EN/Home/Focalpoint/ApprovalNCC/	Website of the Belgian DFP
/bref/	http://eippcb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/reference/	Website of the European Commission, Joint Research Centre, Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (Provision of BAT-Reference documents)
/dehst/	http://www.dehst.de	German Emissions Trading Authority (DEHSt) at the Federal Environment Agency



Reference	Link	Organisation
/dfp/	http://www.developpement-durable.gouv.fr/	Ministère de l'Écologie, de l'Énergie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer, en charge des Technologies vertes et des Négociations sur le climat
/douane/	http://www.douane.gouv.fr/data/file/6146.pdf	Web-file regarding N ₂ O emission taxation.
/gw/	http://www.global-warming.de/	TÜV Nord platform hosting projects open for comments at the determination stage
/ipcc/	www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp	IPCC publications
/lf/	http://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/	Site of the Legifrance (La service public de la diffusion du droit)
/mist/	http://www.ecologie.gouv.fr/Methodologies-de-projets.html	Ministère de l'Écologie, de l'Énergie, du Développement durable et de la Mer (Ministry of ecology and sustainable development)
/nfg/	http://www.effet-de-serre.gouv.fr/accueil	Mission interministérielle sur l'effet de serre (French Inter-Ministry Mission on the Greenhouse Effect)
/qal1/	http://qal1.de/de/hersteller/foedisch.htm	www-database of federal environment agency for QAL 1 certified AMS
/unfccc/	http://ji.unfccc.int	JI-FC

Table 7-4: List of interviewed persons

Reference	Mol ¹		Name	Organisation / Function
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms	Philippe Michiels	Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant (Production/Plant Manager)



Reference	Mol ¹		Name	Organisation / Function
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms	Sebastian Prat	Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant
/IM01/	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms	Isabelle Barthe	Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant (resp. Electrique/ EI Manager)
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Olivier Gauguier	Yara Pardies Nitric Acid Plant (Process Engineer)
/IM02/	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Rebecca Cardani-Strange	N.serve (Project Manager)
/IM02/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Martin Stilkenbäumer	N.serve (Monitoring Expert)

¹⁾ Means of Interview: (Telephone, E-Mail, Visit)

ANNEX

A1: Verification Protocol



ANNEX 1: VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

Table A-1: GHG calculation procedures and management control testing / detailed audit testing of residual risk areas and random testing

Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including <i>Forward Action Requests</i>)
Raw data generation				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of measuring equipment • Dysfunction of installed equipment • Maloperation by operational personnel • Downtimes of equipment • Exchange of equipment • Change of measurement equipment characteristic • Insufficient accuracy • Change of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of modern and state of the art equipment • Process control automation • Internal data review • Regular visual inspections of installed equipment • Only skilled and trained personnel operates the relevant equipment • Daily raw data checks • Immediate exchange of dysfunctional equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequate installation / operation of the monitoring equipment • Inadequate exchange of equipment • Change of personnel • Undetected measurement errors • Inappropriateness of Management system procedures w.r.t. monitoring plan requirements (e.g. substitute value strategies) • Non-application of management system procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site – visit (maintenance dept., gas supplier) • Check of equipment • Check of technical data sheets • Check of suppliers information / guarantees • Check of calibration records, if applicable • Check of maintenance records • Counter-check of raw data and commercial data • Check of JI management system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Table A-2



Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including <i>Forward Action Requests</i>)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> technology Accuracy of values supplied by Third Parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stand-by duty is organized Training Internal audit procedures Internal check of QA/QC measures of involved Third Parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient accuracy Inappropriate QA/QC measures of Third Parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check of JI related procedures Application of JI management system procedures Check of trainings Check of responsibilities Check of QA/QC documentation / evidences of involved Third Parties 	
Raw data collection and data aggregation				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrong data transfer from raw data to daily and monthly aggregated reporting forms IT Systems Spread sheet programming Manual data transmission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross-check of data Plausibility checks of various parameters. Appropriate archiving system Clear allocation of responsibilities Application of JI Management system procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unintended usage of old data that has been revised Incomplete documentation Ex-post corrections of records Ambiguous sources of information Non-application of management system procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check of data aggregation steps Counter-calculation Data integrity checks by means of graphical data analysis and calculation of specific performance figures Check of management system certification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Table A-2



Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including <i>Forward Action Requests</i>)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data protection Responsibilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Usage of standard software solutions (Spreadsheets) Limited access to IT systems Data protection procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manual data transfer mistakes Unintended change of spread sheet programming or data base entries Problems caused by updating/upgrading or change of applied software 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check of data archiving system Check of application of Management system procedures 	
Other calculation parameters				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emission factors, oxidation factors, coefficients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The values and data sources applied are defined in the PDD and monitoring plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unintended or intended Modification of calculation parameters Wrong application of values Misinterpretations of the applied methodology and/ or the PDD Missing update of applicable regulatory framework (e.g. IPCC values) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update-check of regulatory framework Countercheck of the applied MP in the MR against the approved version 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Table A-2
Calculation Methods				



Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including <i>Forward Action Requests</i>)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applied formulae • Miscalculation • Mistakes in spreadsheet calculation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced calculation and reporting tools • A JI coordinator is in charge of the JI related calculations • Usage of tested / counterchecked Excel spreadsheets • Involvement of external consultants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The danger of miscalculation can only be minimized. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countercheck on the basis of own calculation. • Spread sheet walk-through. • Plausibility checks • Check of plots 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Table A-2
Monitoring reporting				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data transfer to the author of the monitoring report • Data transfer to the monitoring report • Unintended use of outdated versions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An experienced JI consultant is responsible for monitoring reporting. • JI QMS procedures are defined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The danger of data transfer mistakes can only be minimized • Inappropriate application of QMS procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counter check with evidences provided. • Audit of procedure application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Table A-2

Table A-2: (Project specific) Periodic Verification Checklist

No.	DVM ⁴ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
A	Project Approvals by Parties involved					
A.1	<p><i>DVM § 90</i> Has the DFPs of at least one Party involved, other than the host Party, issued a written project approval when submitting the first verification report to the secretariat for publication in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, at the latest?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The host country approval was issued by the French DFP and provided to the verifier during before the verification. The investor country approval was issued by the Belgian DFP and provided to the verifier before the verification. Both documents were provided to the verification team by PP. The report will be submitted directly to the DFP by the PP because it is a track 1 project. <i>Means of determination:</i> DFP-website, LoA, Unfccc-website, MR <i>Conclusion:</i> The project approvals from the host country and the investor country are in line with the requirements by the DVM and the JI guidelines.</p>	/LOA/ /dfp/ /unfccc/	OK		OK
A.2	<i>DVM § 91</i>	<i>Description:</i> The applicable benchmark value can be limited	/AR/	FAR A1	Pls. see	FAR

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No.	DVM ⁴ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
	<p>Are all the written project approvals by Parties involved unconditional?</p>	<p>lower than the nationwide benchmark emissions factors according a specific regulatory Emissions Factor (plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”).</p> <p>The French LoA has two conditions, which need to be taking into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only 90 % of the verified emission reductions of one period shall be claimed by the PP. The ERU quantity stated in this report already takes into account the 10% deduction. • The total amount of verified emission reductions until 2012-12-31 is limited to 213,146 tonnes CO₂e (before 10 % reduction, 191.831 tonnes CO₂e after 10% reduction). <p><i>Means of determination: French Method, plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”, LoA, PDD, MR, and XLS-spreadsheet.</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 % of the emission reductions are subtracted from the initial result. The ERU quantity stated in this report already takes into account the 10% deduction. • The sum of emission reduction does not exceed the maximum. However, this must be checked for 2012 during the next verification. The corresponding FAR A1 was raised: 	<p>/ARRET E/ /METH/ /LOA/ /PDD/ /XLS/ /MR/ /dfp/ /unfccc/</p>		<p>Chapter 4</p>	<p>A1</p>

No.	DVM ⁴ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
		FAR A1: The verifier of subsequent verification shall check that the sum of registered ERUs from former verifications and the ERUs of the actual period do not exceed the cap defined in the French LoA.				
B	Project implementation					
B.1	DVM § 92 Has the project been implemented in accordance with the PDD regarding which the determination has been deemed final and is so listed on the UNFCCC JI website?	<p><i>Description:</i> The project installations (Abatement catalyst, AMS) were checked by the verification team and compared with the description given in the registered PDD. The installation of the abatement catalyst and monitoring system is in line with the PDD.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Interviews, PDD, certificates provided by the PP, on-site visit</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The project installations (Abatement catalyst, AMS) and procedures were checked by the verification team and compared with the description given in the registered PDD. The installation of the abatement catalyst and monitoring system is in line with the PDD. The verification team found no inconsistencies in the project documentation.</p>	/IM01/ /IM02/ /PDD/ /DET/ /QAL1A/ /QAL1V/ /QAL2 CALIB/ /MR-1/ /14181/	OK		OK
B.2	DVM § 93 What is the status of operation	<i>Description:</i> The project is running according to the description provided in the PDD. YARA PARDIES has	/IM01/ /IM02/	GLE2	Pls. see Chapter	OK



No.	DVM ⁴ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
	of the project during the monitoring period?	<p>installed the YARA 58 Y 1® catalyst system consisting of an additional base metal catalyst that is positioned below the standard precious metal gauze pack in the ammonia burner. The secondary catalyst significantly reduces N₂O levels in the gas mix resulting from the primary ammonia oxidation reaction. The abatement efficiency has been shown as predicted in the PDD; the secondary catalyst system can significantly reduce N₂O emissions for at least three years, before the catalyst material needs to be replaced. But in the case of Pardies there are no plans to replace the sec. catalyst since the abatement performance is still good.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Calculation sheets annexed to the monitoring report, PDD, interviews, on-site visit and inspection of implementations.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The project is in accordance to the description provided in the PDD and every other stipulation or requirement mentioned in all sections of the methodology.</p> <p>Nevertheless the following finding CL E2 were raised:</p> <p>CL E2: The justification on the concentration gradient of N₂O in the stack gas during the Monitoring Period shall be further elaborated. The course shows strong depressions as well an abrupt increase of the N₂O concentration at the end of the monitoring period. The PP is requested to clarify the main reasons of the course of measured N₂O concentration (NCSG of line 1 and</p>	/PDD/ /XLS/ /MR-1/		4	



No.	DVM ⁴ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
		2) in the stack gas over the campaign.				
C Compliance with monitoring plan						
C.1	<p><i>DVM § 94</i></p> <p>Did the monitoring occur in accordance with the monitoring plan included in the PDD regarding which the determination has been deemed final and is so listed on the UNFCCC JI website?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> Monitored parameter and parameter used for calculation are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCSG [mg N₂O/m³] monitored • VSG [Nm³/h] monitored • TSG [°C] monitored • PSG [Pa] monitored • PE_n [kgN₂O] calculated • OH [h] monitored • NAP [tHNO₃] monitored/calculated • OT [°C] monitored • AFR [kgNH₃/h] monitored • AIFR [%] monitored • EF_{reg} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃] used for calculation • EF_{BM} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃] used for calculation 	<p>/PDD/ /DET/ /MR/ /14181/</p>	<p>CAR-C1 CAR-E3 CAR-E4</p>	<p>Pls. see Chapter 4</p>	<p>OK</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GWP_{N₂O} [tCO₂e/tN₂O] used for calculation • ERU [ERUs (tCO₂e)] calculated <p>The PP refers to the project methodology and European standard 14181 regarding implementation of monitoring equipment and procedures.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> DIN EN 14181, methodology, quality related procedures provided by the plant staff, on-site inspections and interviews.</p> <p><i>Conclusion</i> The verification team can confirm that the monitoring of the relevant parameter implemented in the project and the referenced standards are in accordance with the monitoring plan of the final PDD. Checks details are i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement frequency • Data source • Measurement procedures • Quality procedures • Measuring points • Cross checks • Data handling, storage and processing <p>Nevertheless some findings were raised: CAR C1: Clarification is requested on the used determination method of nitric acid equivalent.</p>				



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		<p>For this monitoring period the amount of nitric acid produced at Yara Pardies site is only determined by the complex stoichiometric production calculation (mass balance).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The PP should explain why the three Flexim mass flow meters as indicated in PDD and monitoring report (of first verification) has not been used for the measurements of NAP flows. b) The description of the production calculation procedure for 53% nitric acid is not complete. c) Furthermore, please describe complete the measure uncertainties for the instruments that take part in the determination. <p>Please clarify why the used monitoring method (stoichiometric production calculation) is accurate and how this approach can be considered as conservative.</p> <p>CAR E3: During the on-site visit for the second verification it has been identified that the processing of the monitoring data during is incorrect. The N₂O concentrations in the stack gas are measured by the both Födisch analysers in ppm. But the values are not (correctly) converted in mg/Nm³ as indicated in the raw data sheet neither in the DCS or Excel program. Therefore the project emissions are about 1.96 times higher. A correction of the emission reduction calculation and a revision of the monitoring report are requested.</p> <p>CAR E4: During the onsite visit the verifier checked both Födisch analyser for the N₂O concentration determination and found different settings regarding the correction of water vapour: The analyser used for line 2 did not use the automatic moisture</p>				



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		correction but N ₂ O concentration for line 1 was corrected automatically by the analyser to dry conditions. Clarification is requested regarding the used parameter in the Födisch analyser for the N ₂ O concentration determination: The PP shall provide the “Parameter list regarding the correction of water vapour” as evidence that the calculation system of the analyser works correctly.										
C.2	<p><i>DVM § 95a)</i></p> <p>For calculating the emission reductions or enhancements of net removals, were key factors, e.g. those listed in 23 (b) (i)-(vii) above, influencing the baseline emissions or net removals and the activity level of the project and the emissions or removals as well as risks associated with the project taken into account, as appropriate?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> Project baselines are set by default values in the French methodology which was issued by the French DFP. Default values are expressed in benchmark values [kg N₂O/t HNO₃):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="775 874 1182 943"> <tr> <td>Year: 2010</td> <td>2011</td> <td>2012</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Value: 2.5</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>1.85</td> </tr> </table> <p>This benchmark factor is the key factor, which influences the baseline scenario and reduces the accountable emission reductions from realistic baseline emissions to the above mentioned values.</p> <p>The results of risk assessment are extensive measures to prevent a bypass of process gases in the catalyst bed since this will lead to a reduction of catalyst efficiency. Decreasing catalyst efficiency was identified as most important project risk</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”, French methodology, LoA, PDD</p>	Year: 2010	2011	2012	Value: 2.5	2.5	1.85	/METH/ /LoA/ /ARRET E/ /AR/ /PDD/ / DVM/	OK	Pls see Chapter 4	OK
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		<p><i>Conclusion:</i> The benchmark values are correctly considered in the calculation of baseline emissions and take into account the sectoral reform policies and legislation (point 23 (b) (i) of DVM).</p> <p>The verification team can confirm, that the result of risk assessment (risks associated with the project) was taken into account.</p>				
C.3	<p><i>DVM § 95b)</i> Are data sources used for calculating emission reductions or enhancements of net removals clearly identified, reliable and transparent?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> Parameter and related data sources are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCSG_n [mg N₂O/m³] (line 1 and 2); 2 x Dr. Födisch MCA 04 Continuous Emissions N₂O Analyser (part of the AMS) • VSG_n [Nm³/h]; (line 1 and 2); 2 x Dr. Födisch FMD 99 gas volume flow meter (part of the AMS) • PE_n [kgN₂O]; Calculation from measured data • OH_n [h]; Production Log – taking into account: plant status signal, NH₃ valve status signal, trip point parameters • NAP_n [tHNO₃]; daily average of total Nitric acid amount, 100% (production of 53% HNO₃ PLUS production of 63% HNO₃ PLUS production of CNA PLUS production of HNO₃ equivalent from N₂O₄). The above production 	<p>/PDD/ /METH/ /PDD/ /MR/ /XLS/ /IM01/ /IM02/ /AS/</p>	OK		OK

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		<p>figures are then cross-checked against a calculation of the NH₃ consumption of the burners and the conversion efficiency of the primary catalyst.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EF_{BM} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃]. • GWP_{N₂O} [tCO₂e/tN₂O]; Climate Change 1995, The Science of Climate Change: Summary for Policymakers and Technical Summary of the Working Group I Report, page 22. • ERU [ERUs (tCO₂e)]; Calculated from measured data. <p><i>Means of determination:</i> PDD, methodology, monitoring report, on-site visit of plant, ASPENTECH data server.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The PP could clearly demonstrate that data sources are clearly identified, reliable and transparent. No findings were raised in this context.</p>												
C.4	<p><i>DVM § 95c)</i> Are emission factors, including default emission factors, if used for calculating the emission reductions or enhancements of net removals, selected by</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> As described under C.2., the French DFP sets emission factors as benchmark values [kg N₂O/t HNO₃]:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="775 1254 1182 1318"> <tr> <td>Year:</td> <td>2010</td> <td>2011</td> <td>2012</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Value:</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>1.85</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> “Arrêté Préfectoral”, Methodology,</p>	Year:	2010	2011	2012	Value:	2.5	2.5	1.85	/PDD/ /METH/ /MR/ /AR/	CAR-E3 and CAR-E4.	Pls see Chapter 4	OK
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	carefully balancing accuracy and reasonableness, and appropriately justified of the choice?	<p>Monitoring report, XLS calculation spreadsheet.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The benchmark value, as set by the French method was correctly included in emission reduction calculation. The stack gas concentration of N₂O, which correlates with the emission factor, was not correct calculated as required. the following fins were raised: CAR E3 and CAR E4 .</p> <p>CAR E3: During the on-site visit for the second verification it has been identified that the processing of the monitoring data during is incorrect. The N₂O concentrations in the stack gas are measured by the both Födisch analysers in ppm. But the values are not (correctly) converted in mg/Nm³ as indicated in the raw data sheet neither in the DCS or Excel program. Therefore the project emissions are about 1.96 times higher. A correction of the emission reduction calculation and a revision of the monitoring report are requested.</p> <p>CAR E4: During the onsite visit the verifier checked both Födisch analyser for the N₂O concentration determination and found different settings regarding the correction of water vapour: The analyser used for line 2 did not use the automatic moisture correction but N₂O concentration for line 1 was corrected automatically by the analyser to dry conditions. Clarification is requested regarding the used parameter in the Födisch analyser for the N₂O concentration determination: The PP shall provide the “Parameter list regarding the correction of water vapour” as evidence that the calculation system of the analyser works correctly.</p>	/ARETE/ /XLS/			

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C.5	<p><i>DVM § 95d)</i></p> <p>Is the calculation of emission reductions or enhancements of net removals calculated based on conservative assumptions and the most plausible scenarios in a transparent manner?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The transparent calculation of emission reduction follows the methodology described in the PDD. All data used is based on measurements, therefore no assumptions are used.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> “Arrêté Préfectoral”, Methodology, PDD, XLS, on-site visit of plant, ASPENTECH data server.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The used methodology, data processing, implementation of the benchmark values and 10% reduction is a conservative approach.</p> <p>The following findings were raised in this context:</p> <p>CAR E1: During the document review an inconsistency in the ER excel spreadsheet regarding the extra hour at 2:00 on 2011-10-30 (summer - winter time change) has been identified. The PP should also clarify the reason.</p>	<p>/PDD/ /METH/ /ARETE/ /AR/ /MR/ /AS/ /CHECK / /TRIP/ /QUALC ALIB/ /XLS/</p>	CAR-E1	Pls see Chapter 4	OK
Applicable to JI SSC projects only						
C.6	<p><i>DVM § 96</i></p> <p>Is the relevant threshold to be classified as JI SSC project not exceeded during the monitoring period on an annual average</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The project is classified as large-scale project.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> PDD</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> N/A.</p>				



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	basis? If the threshold is exceeded, is the maximum emission reduction level estimated in the PDD for the JI SSC project or the bundle for the monitoring period determined?					
Applicable to bundled JI SSC projects only						
C.7	DVM § 97a) Has the composition of the bundle not changed from that is stated in F-JI-SSCBUNDLE?	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
C.8	DVM § 97b) If the determination was conducted on the basis of an overall monitoring plan, have the project participants submitted a common monitoring report?	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
C.9	DVM § 98 If the monitoring is based on a monitoring plan that provides for	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				



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	overlapping monitoring periods, Are the monitoring periods per component of the project clearly specified in the monitoring report? Do the monitoring periods not overlap with those for which verifications were already deemed final in the past?					
D	Revision of monitoring plan					
Applicable only if monitoring plan is revised by project participants						
D.1	DVM § 99a) Did the project participants provide an appropriate justification for the proposed revision?	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
D.2	DVM § 99b) Does the proposed revision improve the accuracy and/or applicability of information collected compared to the	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				

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	original monitoring plan without changing conformity with the relevant rules and regulations for the establishment of monitoring plans?					
E	Data management					
E.1	<p><i>DVM § 101a)</i></p> <p>Is the implementation of data collection procedures in accordance with the monitoring plan, including the quality control and quality assurance procedures?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> Data collection is in accordance with the monitoring plan. The installed automated monitoring systems (AMS) provide separate hourly average values for NCSG_n and VSG_n for each stack, based on 10-second interval measurements that are recorded and stored electronically. The nitric acid plant is equipped with an Aspentech 'Info Plus 21' data collection and storage system, which records and stores all monitoring values for NCSG, VSG, TSG, PSG, as well as different status signals of the AMS and the NH₃ valve status signal from the nitric acid plant that defines whether or not the plant is in operation.</p> <p>The system reports hourly averages for all the monitored parameters to N.serve, who is responsible for the correct analysis of the delivered data.</p> <p>Data collection procedures, quality control and quality assurance are implemented as follows:</p> <p>For all N₂O data sets a plausibility check is conducted. All data sets containing implausible values are eliminated from</p>	<p>/PDD/ /METH/ /MR/ /XLS/ /DVM/ /IM01/ /IM02/ /EN1418 1/ /QA/ /AS/ /CHECK /TRIP/</p>	CAR-C1	Pls see Chapter 4	OK



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		<p>the calculation of the average values. Implausible values are those which are negative or clearly out of the range of “normal operating conditions”.</p> <p>During data processing, measured values were evaluated according to statistical methods.</p> <p>The PP chooses a monitoring standard that requires the establishment of a calibration curve (EN14181). The correction factors derived from this calibration curve during the QAL2 audit are applied onto both VSG and NCSG-measuring.</p> <p>VSG: QAL2 correction factors: 0.95 and 0.97 NCSG: QAL2 correction factors = 0.99 and 1.03 TSG: QAL2 correction factors: 0.98 and 0.96 PSG: QAL2 correction factors: 1.0 and 1.0</p> <p>The Uncertainty for N₂O mass flow measurement as calculated during the QAL2 test is:</p> <p>AMS Line 1 Lower range (0 to 200ppm): 3.48 % Upper range (to 1000ppm): 3.16%</p> <p>AMS Line 2 Lower range (0 to 200ppm): 3.06% Higher range (to 1000ppm): 3.15%</p>	/QAL2 CALIB/			



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		<p>All values are below the permitted overall uncertainty of 7.5 %. (The methodology requires that the permitted overall uncertainty of the average hourly annual emissions is less than 7.5% if technical possible.)</p> <p>Acc. to the methodology, downtimes of the AMS was handled as following: The hourly average was calculated based on the remaining values for the rest of the hour in question. If these remaining values account for less than 50% of the hourly data for one or more parameters, then this hour was eliminated from the calculation and substitute values were used instead.</p> <p>Nevertheless further information is requested for the four NAP determination procedures (CAR C1).</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Methodology, Monitoring report, on-site visit of plant incl. control room with data server. The original data as excel file produced by the data acquisition system sent to N.serve by the plant operator has been (random) checked together with the final ER calculations accounted as per the applied methodology and determined PDD (spot-check of single hours and days).</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> It has been confirmed that the data collection procedures for all monitoring parameters except NAP are according the description in the determined monitoring plan.</p>				



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		<p>No further issues have been identified in this regard.</p> <p>CAR C1: Clarification is requested on the applied determination method of nitric acid equivalent. For this monitoring period the amount of nitric acid produced at Yara Pardies site is only determined by the complex stoichiometric production calculation (mass balance).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The PP should explain why the three Flexim mass flow meters as indicated in PDD and monitoring report (of first verification) has not been used for the measurements of NAP flows. b) The description of the production calculation procedure for 53% nitric acid is not complete. c) Furthermore, please describe complete the measure uncertainties for the instruments that take part in the determination. <p>Please clarify why the used monitoring method (stoichiometric production calculation) is accurate and how this approach can be considered as conservative.</p>				
E.2	<p><i>DVM § 101b)</i></p> <p>Is the function of the monitoring equipment, including its calibration status, in order?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> All relevant monitoring instruments incl. the AMS are included in the quality procedures which are established for proper operation of the plant. (Yara Pardies is certified to international standards ISO 9001 Quality Management Systems, carried out by Det Norske Veritas.)</p> <p>a) <i>AMS:</i></p>	/QAL1A/ QAL1V/ /FG/ /QAL2 CALIB/	CL-C7	Pls. see Chapter 4	OK

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		<p>Additional measures are related to the European Norm EN14181 (2004) “Stationary source emissions - Quality assurance of automated measuring systems”:</p> <p>QAL 1: performance approval: the AMS is suitable for purpose and in line with the European norm. The PP provides a QAL1 Certificate 0000025929 dated 2010-03-10 according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland. QAL1 Certificate No: 936/808005/C 2000-04-10 regarding FMD 99 Volumeter,</p> <p>QAL2 tests according to EN 14181, is to be performed at least every 3 years. The most recent QAL2 test was conducted by Müller-BBM on 15/02/2010 (Report Nos. M82 450/19 and M82 450/22), with successful approval of the AMS.</p> <p>QAL 3 (ongoing operation and maintenance) N₂O-Analyzer Zero Calibration The zero calibration is conducted automatically every 24 hours. Manual calibrations are done at least once per month. Manual span calibrations are done with certified calibration gas at least once per month and the calibration results are all documented as part of the QAL3 documentation.</p> <p>Furthermore the AMS is checked during AST tests performed in February 2011 and February 2012 according</p>	/FOED-MAIN/ /MCF/ /AS/ /AZR/ /MPRA/ /IM01/ /IM02/ /QA/ /QPRO CE/			

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		<p>EN 14181. AST tested by Müller-BBM on 22/02/2011 - Report Nos. M91 045/1 (line 1) and M91 045/2 (line 2)- and 07-08/02/2012 - Report Nos. M98 036/1 (line 1) and M98 036/2 (line 2).</p> <p><i>b) Other monitoring installations, equipment and devices:</i></p> <p>Operation maintenance and calibration intervals are carried out by qualified and trained staff from the EI/ instrument department according to the vendor's specification. Activities are controlled and documented as part of an electronic overall quality assurance programme.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The PP implemented a quality assurance system to prove the ongoing compliance of the AMS with the norm. The most maintenance activities are monitored and controlled as part of an electronic overall quality assurance programme.</p>				
E.3	<p><i>DVM § 101c)</i></p> <p>Are the evidence and records used for the monitoring maintained in a traceable manner?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The nitric acid plant is equipped with AspenTech Production Management & Execution and Data Collection & Storage system (DCS), which records and stores all monitoring values for NCSG, VSG, TSG, PSG, OH as well as different status signals of the AMS and the NH₃ valve status signal from the nitric acid plant that defines whether or not the plant is in operation. All monitoring data are collected from plant via on 10 second basis. A data extract</p>	<p>/XLS/ /AS/ /IM01/ /IM02/</p>	<p>CAR-C10 CAR-C14</p>	<p>Pls. see Chapter 4</p>	<p>OK</p>

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		<p>of hourly mean values (excel) is reported to N.serve.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> The original spreadsheets created by the DCS have been checked and the functioning of DCS was checked during the on-site visit (spot-check of single hours and days).</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The evidences and records used for the monitoring are maintained in a traceable manner. No findings were raised in this context.</p>				
E.4	<p><i>DVM § 101d)</i></p> <p>Is the data collection and management system for the project in accordance with the monitoring plan?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The data collection and the management system are conducted as per the description in the determined monitoring plan. The data acquisition system records the hourly average data which is sent to N.serve for the quality and plausibility check, statistical analysis and final emission reduction calculation.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> by means of interview with the plant operator and N.serve representatives.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> No further issues were found with this regard.</p>	/AS/ /PDD/ /MR/ /XLS/ /IM01/ /IM02/	OK		OK
F	Verification regarding programmes of activities (additional elements for assessment)					
F.1	<p><i>DVM § 102</i></p> <p>Is any JPA that has not been added to the JI PoA not verified?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> N/A</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> N/A</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> N/A</p>				



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F.2	<p><i>DVM § 103</i></p> <p>Is the verification based on the monitoring reports of all JPAs to be verified?</p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
F.3	<p><i>DVM § 103</i></p> <p>Does the verification ensure the accuracy and conservativeness of the emission reductions or enhancements of removals generated by each JPA?</p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
F.4	<p><i>DVM § 104</i></p> <p>Does the monitoring period not overlap with previous monitoring periods?</p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
F.5	<p><i>DVM § 105</i></p> <p><i>If the AIE learns of an erroneously included JPA, has the AIE informed the JISC of its findings in writing?</i></p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
Applicable to sample-based approach only						



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F.6	<p><i>DVM § 106</i></p> <p><i>Does the sampling plan prepared by the AIE:</i></p> <p><i>(a) Describe its sample selection, taking into account that:</i></p> <p><i>(i) For each verification that uses a sample-based approach, the sample selection shall be sufficiently representative of the JPAs in the JI PoA such extrapolation to all JPAs identified for that verification is reasonable, taking into account differences among the characteristics of JPAs, such as:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>– The types of JPAs;</i> <i>– The complexity of the applicable technologies and/or measures used;</i> <i>– The geographical location of each JPA;</i> 	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The amounts of expected emission reductions of the JPAs being verified;</i> - <i>The number of JPAs for which emission reductions are being verified;</i> - <i>The length of monitoring periods of the JPAs being verified; and</i> - <i>The samples selected for prior verifications, if any?</i> <p><i>(ii) If, in its sample selection, the AIE does not identify and take into account such differences among JPAs, then (does the sampling plan) provide a reasonable explanation and justification for not doing so?</i></p> <p><i>(b) Provide a list of JPAs selected for site inspections,</i></p>					



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	<i>based on a statistically sound selection of sites for inspection in accordance with the criteria listed in (a) (i) above?</i>					
F.7	DVM § 107 <i>Is the sampling plan ready for publication through the secretariat along with the verification report and supporting documentation?</i>	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
F.8	DVM § 108 <i>Has the AIE made site inspections of at least the square root of the number of total JPAs, rounded to the upper whole number? If the AIE makes no site inspections or fewer site inspections than the square root of the number of total JPAs, rounded to the upper whole number, then does the AIE provide a reasonable explanation and justification?</i>	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				



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F.9	<p><i>DVM § 109</i></p> <p><i>Is the sampling plan available for submission to the secretariat for the JISC.s ex ante assessment? (Optional)</i></p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
Applicable to both sample based and non-sample based approaches						
F.10	<p><i>DVM § 110</i></p> <p><i>If the AIE learns of a fraudulently included JPA, a fraudulently monitored JPA or an inflated number of emission reductions claimed in a JI PoA, has the AIE informed the JISC of the fraud in writing?</i></p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				