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DETERMINATION OF THE JI-PROJECT:

## Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric Acid Plant in AB Achema Fertilizer Factory

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#### Abbreviations

ACM	Approved Consolidated Methodology
AM	Approved Methodology
AOR	Ammonia Oxidation Reactor
BASF	BASF is a multinational company producing chemicals, plastics, per- formance products, agricultural products, fine chemicals, crude oil and natural gas
CAR	Corrective Action Request
CR	Clarification Request
DOE	Designated Operational Entity
DNA	Designated National Authority
DP	Determination Protocol
EIA / EA	Environmental Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment
EN	English
ER	Emission reduction
GHG	Greenhouse gas(es)
JI	Joint Implementation
JISC	Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee
KP	Kyoto Protocol
LoE	Letter of Endorsement
LoA	Letter of Approval
LT	Lithuanian
MP	Monitoring Plan
N/A	not applicable
NGO	Non Governmental Organisation
PDD	Project Design Document
PP	Project Participant
SC	Supervisory Committee
TÜV SÜD	TÜV SÜD Industrie Service GmbH
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
VVM	Validation and Verification Manual

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#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 Objective

The determination objective is an independent assessment by a Third Party (Accredited Independent Entity = AIE) of a proposed project activity against all defined criteria set for the registration under the Joint Implementation Mechanism (JI). Determination is part of the JI project cycle and will finally result in a conclusion by the executing AIE whether a project activity is valid and should be submitted for registration to the JI-SC. The ultimate decision on the registration of a proposed project activity rests at the JI Supervisory Committee and the Parties involved.

The project activity discussed by this determination report has been submitted under the project title: "Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric Acid Plant in AB Achema Fertilizer Factory".

#### 1.2 Scope

The scope of any assessment is defined by the underlying legislation, regulation and guidance given by relevant entities or authorities. In the case of JI project activities the scope is set by:

- The Kyoto Protocol, in particular § 6
- Decisions 3/CMP.3, Decision 2/CMP.2 and Decision 3/CMP.2, Decision 9/CMP.1 and 10/CMP.1
- Furthermore relevant aspects of Decision 12/CMP.1 and Decision 13/CMP.1
- Decisions by the JI-SC published under <u>http://ji.unfccc.int</u>
- Specific guidance by the JI published under <u>http://ji.unfccc.int</u>
- Guidelines for Completing the Project Design Document (JI-PDD), and the Proposed Baseline and Monitoring Methodology, also with reference to CDM - Proposed New Baseline and Monitoring Methodology (CDM-NM)
- The applied approved methodology
- > The technical environment of the project (technical scope)
- Internal and national standards on monitoring and QA/QC
- > Technical guideline and information on best practice

The determination is not meant to provide any consulting towards the client. However, stated requests for clarifications and/or corrective actions may provide input for improvement of the project design.

Once TÜV SÜD receives a first PDD version, it is made publicly available on the internet at TÜV SÜD's webpage as well as on the UNFCCC JI-webpages for starting a 30 day global stakeholder consultation process (GSP). In case of any request a PDD might be revised (under certain conditions the GSP will be repeated) and the final PDD will form the basis for the final evaluation as presented by this report. Information on the first and on the final PDD version is presented at page 1.

The only purpose of a determination is its use during the registration process as part of the JI project cycle. Hence, TÜV SÜD cannot be held liable by any party for decisions made or not made based on the determination opinion, which will go beyond that purpose.

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#### 2 METHODOLOGY

The project assessment aims at being a risk based approach and is based on the methodology developed in the Validation and Verification Manual, an initiative of Designated and Applicant Entities, which aims to harmonize the approach and quality of all such assessments.

In order to ensure transparency, a determination protocol was customised for the project. TÜV SÜD developed a "cook-book" for methodology-specific checklists and protocol based on the templates presented by the Validation and Verification Manual. The protocol shows, in a transparent manner, criteria (requirements), the discussion of each criterion by the assessment team and the results from validating the identified criteria. The Determination protocol serves the following purposes:

- It organises, details and clarifies the requirements a JI project is expected to meet;
- It ensures a transparent Determination process where the validator will document how a particular requirement has been validated and the result of the Determination.

The Determination protocol consists of three tables. The different columns in these tables are described in the figure below.

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Determination Protocol Table 1: Conformity of Project Activity and PDD								
Checklist Topic / Question	Reference	Comments	PDD in GSP	Final PDD				
The checklist is organised in sec- tions following the arrangement of the applied PDD version. Each section is then further sub- divided. The low- est level consti- tutes a checklist question / crite- rion.	Gives ref- erence to documents where the answer to the check- list question or item is found in case the comment refers to documents other than the PDD.	The section is used to elaborate and discuss the checklist question and/or the conformance to the question. It is further used to explain the conclusions reached. In some cases sub-checklist are applied indicating yes/no decisions on the compliance with the stated criterion. Any <b>Re-</b> <b>quest</b> has to be substanti- ated within this column	Conclusions are presented based on the assessment of the first PDD ver- sion. This is either acceptable based on evidence pro- vided (之), or a <b>Corrective Action</b> <b>Request (CAR)</b> due to non- compliance with the checklist question (See below). <b>Clari- fication Request</b> <b>(CR)</b> is used when the Determination team has identified a need for further clarification.	Conclusions are presented in the same manner based on the as- sessment of the final PDD version.				

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As for this specific project the final PDD was applying a different version of the methodology than the first one, a table 1a and a table 1b are presented reflecting the changes by the revision of the methodology.

Determination Protocol Table 2: Resolution of Corrective Action and Clarification Requests								
Clarifications and cor- rective action re- quests	Ref. to table 1	Summary of project owner response	Determination team con- clusion					
If the conclusions from table 1 are either a Cor- rective Action Request or a Clarification Re- quest, these should be listed in this section.	Reference to the checklist question number in Table 1 where the Corrective Action Request or Clarification Request is explained.	The responses given by the client or other project participants during the communica- tions with the Determi- nation team should be summarised in this section.	This section should summa- rise the Determination team's responses and final conclu- sions. The conclusions should also be included in Table 1, under "Final PDD".					

In case of a denial of the project activity more detailed information on this decision will be presented in table 3.

Determination Protocol Table 3: Unresolved Corrective Action and Clarification Requests							
<i>Clarifications and cor- rective action re- quests</i>	Id. of CAR/CR 1	Explanation of the Conclusion for Denial					
If the final conclusions from table 2 results in a denial the referenced request should be listed in this section.	Identifier of the Re- quest.	This section should present a detail explanation, why the project is finally considered not to be in compliance with a criterion.					

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#### 2.1 Appointment of the Assessment Team

According to the technical scopes and experiences in the sectoral or national business environment TÜV SÜD has composed a project team in accordance with the appointment rules of the TÜV SÜD certification body "climate and energy". The composition of an assessment team has to be approved by the Certification Body ensuring that the required skills are covered by the team. The Certification Body TÜV SÜD operates four qualification levels for team members that are assigned by formal appointment rules:

- Assessment Team Leader (ATL)
- Greenhouse Gas Auditor (GHG-A)
- Greenhouse Gas Auditor Trainee (T)
- Experts (E)

It is required that the sectoral scope linked to the methodology has to be covered by the assessment team.

The Determination team was consisting of the following experts (the responsible Assessment Team Leader in written in bold letters):

Name	Qualification	Coverage of technical scope	Coverage of sectoral expertise	Host coun- try experi- ence
Thomas Kleiser	ATL	M	M	M
Nikolaus Kröger	GHG-A	$\checkmark$	$\mathbf{N}$	

**Thomas Kleiser** is head of division CDM and JI at TÜV Industrie Service GmbH. In this position he is responsible for validation, determination, verification and certifications processes for GHG mitigation projects as well as trainings for internal auditors. As assessment team leader he already conducted numerous validations and verifications of CDM and JI projects. Before entering this department he worked as expert on air quality measurements and emissions inventories as well as on environmental auditing within the environmental branch of the company. Reflecting on earlier projects he is familiar with political, economical and technical random conditions in host country

**Nikolaus Kröger** is environmental engineer and expert for emissions monitoring and quality assurance at the department "TÜV SÜD Carbon Management Service". He is located in the TÜV SÜD Hamburg office and is also engaged as personally accredited verifier in the EU-ETS serving the Northern German market and being Regional Manager for carbon business development in the Middle East (MENA region) and Central Asia. Being ghg auditor for sectoral scopes 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and assessment team leader for CDM and JI projects he has already been involved in multitude of JI and CDM activities with a special focus on industrial non-CO2 projects. Constitutive on 13 years experience at the department "Environmental Service" he verified many metallurgical plants, refineries, chemical plants, waste treatment and power plants and process engineering in many types of facilities. One of his former focal points had been implementation and calibration of complex automatic Environment-Data-Systems.

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#### 2.2 Review of Documents

The first PDD version submitted by the client and additional background documents related to the project design and baseline were reviewed as initial step of the Determination process. A complete list of all documents and proofs reviewed is attached as annex 2 to this report.

#### 2.3 Follow-up Interviews

In the period of July 3~4, 2007 TÜV SÜD performed interviews on-site with project stakeholders to confirm selected information and to resolve issues identified in the first document review. The table below provides a list of all persons interviewed in the context of this on-site visit.

Name	Organisation
Mr Vaidotas Kuodys	UAB COWI Baltic, project manager
Mr Juozas Tunaitis	AB Achema, Technical director
Mr Andrejus Sostakas	AB Achema, manager of innovation centre
Mr Tadas Kastanauskas	UAB Koncernas Achemas Grupe, ecologist
Mr Ramunas Pilsudskas	AB Achema, deputy hand of nitric acid plant
Mr Stasys Pakstys	AB Achema, instrumentation department man- aging engineer

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#### 2.4 Resolution of Clarification and Corrective Action Requests

The objective of this phase of the Determination is to resolve the requests for corrective actions and clarifications and any other outstanding issues which needed to be clarified for TÜV SÜD's positive conclusion on the project design. The Corrective Action Requests and Clarification Requests raised by TÜV SÜD were resolved during communication between the client and TÜV SÜD. To guarantee the transparency of the Determination process, the concerns raised and responses that have been given are summarised in chapter 3 below and documented in more detail in the Determination protocol in annex 1.

#### 2.5 Internal Quality Control

As final step of a Determination the Determination report and the protocol have to undergo and internal quality control procedure by the Certification Body "climate and energy", i.e. each report has to be approved either by the head of the certification body or his deputy. In case one of these two persons is part of the assessment team approval can only be given by the other one.

It rests at the decision of TÜV SÜD's Certification Body whether a project will be submitted for requesting registration by the JISC or not. Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric Acid Plant in AB Achema Fertilizer Factory Page 11 of 15



#### **3 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

As informed above all finding are summarized in table 2 of the attached Determination protocol. In total the assessment team expressed 15 Clarification Requests and 10 Corrective Action Requests.

One of the key findings was discussion about additionality and consistency with current laws and regulations. Using methodology AM0034 "Catalytic reduction of N2O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants" requires the identification of baseline scenario using procedure for identification of the baseline scenario described in the approved methodology AM0028 "Catalytic N2O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric Acid Plants" version 03. Related to the aforementioned the assessment team required further information about identification of all feasible baseline scenario alternatives and discussion of all technically feasible alternatives to handle NOx emissions (at least all scenarios listed under step 1 in AM0028, vers.3). Further TÜV SÜD asked to identify and exclude those options not in line with regulatory or legal requirements, to develop a complete list of barriers developed that prevent alternatives to occur, to make transparent and document the evidence provided on the existence and significance of these barriers same as show transparently that at least one of the alternatives is not prevented by the identified barriers (step 3b).

The discussion of issues related to CAR2 to CAR7 was relatively simple as there was no incentive to invest for N2O abatement technology in the host country other than revenue from CERs. The PP updated the required discussion and information as given in the revised final version of PDD. To the more complex issue of regulatory and legal requirements TÜV SÜD received a comment during GSP from German DNA (DEHSt). By request of TÜV SÜD the PP had initiated intense communication with the local authority – the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania – to clarify authorization with focus onto N2O regulations in general in Lithuania and in detail at AB Achema. Please refer to following section 4 of this report wherein this topic is widely discussed. To view of the assessment team the discussion about this issue was settled.

To sight of TÜV SÜD assessment team it's very notable for the project's confidentiality, that the PP started a local stakeholder meeting held at AB Achema in Jonava where representatives of AB Achema have discussed with officials of regional environmental protection department. As result the conclusion was made that installation of the secondary catalyst is not to be considered as economic activity as it does not alter production level nor makes modification to production lines and finally therefore no environmental impact assessment (EIA) is required.

Another one of key findings was about the way of determining permitted operating range as historical. AM0034 requires to determine the normal ranges for operating conditions for the following parameters: (i) oxidation temperature; (ii) oxidation pressure; (iii) ammonia gas flow rate, and (iv) air input flow rates. During on-site mission it became apparent that available datasets were limited because neither legislation in Lithuania nor the internal regulation of AB Achema requires keeping records of the concerned data longer than for 1 year. AB Achema took historical data in concern which are available from 01.04.2005 in records for every 12 hours. The revised PDD updated in section B in table 3 *Permitted data range based on historical data*. Additional parameter AFR had been added to the revised PDD with an analogue approach on data sets as mentioned above. The given estimation is reproducible and substantiated by verified data and assumptions.

The version 02 of AM0034 requires strict monitoring on baseline and project emissions and the PDD addressed those requirements generally satisfactorily following the EN14181. Nevertheless the result of monitoring including QAL2 result will be the most important issue at later verification. To ensure that the monitoring meets the requirements according EN14181 BASF as PP assigned an accredited independent Third Party for a conformity check of measurement instrumentation. The report of declaration about conformity dated June 29 had been submitted to the assessment team at July 12, 2007 and ensures the meeting of any EN14181 related requirements.

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Further during the analysis of historic data sets an obviously differing length in campaign No.1 and No.2 compared with campaign No.3 and No.4 was noted. On request AB Achema clarified that due lack of experience with new technology shorter lifespan gauzes were ordered for first campaign. Stopping and launching of the plant for maintenance negatively affects the gauzes. For the first campaign it was needed quite often. While having more experience, gauzes for the second and third campaign were ordered with gradually longer lifespan. The campaign length was also planed to have maintenance period during the summer as it was not possible to stop the plant during the cold season because many lines might frozen in such case. TÜV SÜD assessment team crosschecked in detail -between others- installation dismantling reports for campaign No.1 to 4, reception protocols for campaign No.1 to 4 same as operation ordinances of AB Achema GP plant and GP operation schedule. Additional hard proofs had been requested for the gauze use at burner 1, 2, 3, 4 at campaign No.1, burner 3, 4 at campaign 2 and burner 1, 2 at campaign No.4. Though detailed crosschecks of campaigns are considered to be part of later verification the result of this first spot check due determination was considered sufficient. Nonetheless the later verifier will have to discuss this issue within his verification report for to settle it finally.

For any further detail about submitted CR or CAR please refer to Annex 1 Table 2 *Resolution of Corrective Action and Clarification Requests* of the Determination report.

A first Determination Report No. 1029455 was issued on March 11, 2008. During the upload process some inconsistencies between PDD and Determination Report had been identified. In this context the TÜV SÜD assessment team identified necessary corrections relating to length and dates of the crediting period and requested corrections in the PDD. Subsequent to this clarification the PP updated the PDD and submitted its revision 10.0 at December 12, 2008 to the TÜV SÜD assessment team. Afterwards TÜV SÜD issued this final report dated December 16, 2008.

The length and dates of the crediting period have been corrected to 4 years and 4,5 months (August 16, 2008 to December 31, 2008). The consistency of the indication of the crediting period throughout the whole submission, in particular in PDD sections A.4.3.1. and C.3., was crosschecked. The annual average of emission reductions over the crediting period has been corrected from a previous basis of a 5 years crediting period to a basis of 4 years and 4,5 months crediting period. The total estimated emission reductions over the crediting period is 2,465,585 tCO2e and the annual average of estimated emission reduction over the crediting period is 563,562 tCO2e. The aforementioned estimation are arithmetic correct calculated and based on a plausible assumption. All changes are consistent throughout PDD revision 10.0.

In general there are two issues that have a potential to affect the emission projection. These are a) IPPC regulation and b) possible inclusion of N<sub>2</sub>O into the EU Emission Trading Scheme. Nevertheless, the baseline under the JI mechanism is affected by the IPPC regulation and has to be evaluated. In this context it had to mention that after the first issue of the Determination Report No. 10295455 on March 11, 2008 the IPPC permit was updated on April 30, 2008. Previous the IPPC permit of AB Achema was issued on December 28, 2004 by the Kaunas Regional Department for Environmental protection. The aforementioned IPPC permit from December 2004 had been the ground laying information at the determination visit in June 2007.

The TÜV SÜD assessment team requested a recalculation of the estimated baseline and project emissions taken into account the IPPC permit revision from April 2008. In table 4 of the updated PDD version 10.0 from December 12, 2008 the yearly N<sub>2</sub>O limit values for the GP plant are stated as follows:  $3174,5 \text{ t} \text{ N}_2\text{O}$  in 2008, 2009 and 2010, of 2926 t N<sub>2</sub>O in 2011, 2040,5 t N<sub>2</sub>O in 2012 and 1256,5 t N<sub>2</sub>O in 2013. The revised IPPC limit values were considered as a new level in cases where these limits were lower than the estimated baseline, namely in year 2012. In years 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 the projected N2O emissions are below the allowable emission level. All figures which are presented in Chapter A.4.3.1 of the PDD reflect this impact of the IPPC regulation on the estimated emission reductions.

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#### 4 COMMENTS BY PARTIES, STAKEHOLDERS AND NGOS

TÜV SÜD published the project documents on UNFCCC website by installing a link to TÜV SÜD's own website and invited comments by Parties, stakeholders and non-governmental organisations during a period of 30 days.

The following table presents all key information on this process:

webpage:	webpage:						
http://www.netinform.de/KE/Wegweiser/Guide2_1.aspx?ID=3288&Ebene1_ID=26&Ebene2_ID=994&mode=1							
Starting data of the global ate	kakaldar aanaultatian praasaa						
	kenolder consultation process:						
2007-07-03							
Comment submitted by:	Issues raised:						
2007-07-20	On page 6 (A.4.3) in the second paragraph, it is stated that "N2O is						
Dr. Karsten Karschunke	Lithuanian environmental legislation." Based on this statement, on page						
Umweltbundesamt Deutsche Emissionshandels-	14 under Sub-step 1b), it is concluded that the scenario "C) Continuation of the current situation (no project activity or other alternatives under-						
stelle (DEHSt) Verfahrenssteuerung, Quali- tätssicherung, II/CDM	is the only option expected to take place in the absence of the JI project and considered in determining the baseline.						
Bismarckplatz 1 D-14193 Berlin	Since Lithuania is a member state of the European Union the "Acquis						
Federal Republic of Germany	proposed project activities according to Article 11b of the Emission Trad- ing Directive (2003/87/EC and 2004/101/EC), we are missing a refer- ence to the IPPC-Directive (96/61/EC).						
	Nitric acid plants are listed in Annex I Nr. 4.2 b) of the IPPC-directive and nitrous oxide (N2O) is listed as an air pollutant in Annex III Nr. 2. Therefore according to article 9 of the IPPC-Directive, BAT based emission limit values should be set in the permit by the competent authority. The production of nitric acid is dealt with in detail in Chapter 3 of the BAT Reference Document "Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals - Ammonia, Acids, Fertilizers" (BREF LVIC-AAF), prepared by the European Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Bureau (EIPPCB) of the European Commission.						
	We kindly ask you to include in your determination report a thorough analysis of the legal requirements for nitric acid plants in Lithuania with taking the European requirements in consideration.						

#### Response by TÜV SÜD:

TÜV SÜD and DEHSt (Dr. Karschunke) discussed by phone at 2007-09-17 the issues raised by DEHSt and came to conclusion that DEHSt will not abide receiving a written response by TÜV SÜD.

TÜV SÜD ensured to clarify with project participants same as with Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania the state of authorization in Lithuania with a special focus on N2O and embedding of Lithuanian legislature towards EC legislature.

The following offsets deliberate the current state of legal requirements for nitric acid plants in Lithuania with taking the European requirements in consideration:

AB Achema operates according to the permit No. 4/15-04, issued December 28, 2004, revised November 04, 2005 and revised April 30, 2008. The revised permit approved by the Kaunas Regional Department for

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Environmental Protection, is based on the requirements of the IPPC-Directive (96/61/EC), being in force since 2004 when Lithuania entered the European Union. The directive was transposed to the national IPPC regulation from February 27, 2002.

The nitric acid plant, listed in Annex I Nr. 4.2.b of the IPPC-directive, is exclusively used for the production of inorganic fertilizers. The nitric acid plant is a section of the fertilizer plant, listed in Annex I Nr. 4.3 of the IPPC-directive. Nitrogen compounds are listed as an air pollutant in Annex III No. 2 of the IPPC-directive. Therefore according to article 9 of the IPPC-Directive, BAT (best available techniques) based emission limit values were taken into consideration in the permit by the authority for NH3 and NOx to control the production of nitric acid.

Chapter 3 of the BAT Reference Document "Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals - Ammonia, Acids, Fertilizers" (BREF LVIC-AAF), prepared by the European Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Bureau of the European Commission describes the best available techniques for the production of nitric acid in detail. AB Achema's process is designed, built, maintained and operated according to the best available techniques bearing in mind the likely costs and benefits of a measure and the principles of precaution to prevent and to reduce emissions. The accessible and implemented techniques were selected under economically and technically viable conditions, taking into consideration the costs and advantages.

The emission limit values to control the production of nitric acid set in the permit take into account the technical characteristics of the installation concerned, its geographical location and the local environmental conditions. In all circumstances, the conditions of the permit contain provisions on the minimization of longdistance or transboundary pollution and ensure a high level of protection for the environment as a whole. Therefore no further legal obligation to limit emissions of nitrogen compounds NO, NO2 and N2O is in force in Lithuania and AB Achema has no legal obligation and no financial incentives to install an additional nitrogen compounds destruction or abatement technology.

AB Achema has initiated a comprehensive stakeholder process on the issue of IPPC regulation and JI baseline related to N2O reduction projects in AB Achema. A number of meetings were held during the period of November 2007 to February 2008. The representatives of the following organizations participated in the meetings: authorities, AB Achema, association of industries, consultants and other stakeholders. The following official institutions were involved: Ministry of Environment, Environmental Protection Agency and Regional Department for Environmental Protection.

The aim of the stakeholder process was to clarify the IPPC requirements for N2O limit values, its impact on the baseline of N2O reduction projects and the position of the authorities towards the issue.

The current IPPC permit issued to AB Achema sets restrictions related to N2O. These restrictions are reflected in the updated baseline and estimated emission reductions of the project.

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#### **5 DETERMINATION OPINION**

TÜV SÜD has performed a Determination of the following proposed CDM project activity:

"Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric Acid Plant in AB Achema Fertilizer Factory" The review of the project design documentation and the subsequent follow-up interviews have provided TÜV SÜD with sufficient evidence to determine the fulfilment of stated criteria. In our opinion, the project meets all relevant UNFCCC requirements for the JI. Hence TÜV SÜD will recommend the project for registration by the JISC under track 2 of the JI.

An analysis as provided by the applied methodology demonstrates that the proposed project activity is not a likely baseline scenario. Emission reductions attributable to the project are hence additional to any that would occur in the absence of the project activity. Given that the project is implemented as designed, the project is likely to achieve the estimated amount of emission reductions as specified within the final PDD version.

The Determination is based on the information made available to us and the engagement conditions detailed in this report. The Determination has been performed using a risk based approach as described above. The only purpose of this report is its use during the registration process as part of the JI project cycle. Hence, TÜV SÜD can not be held liable by any party for decisions made or not made based on the Determination opinion, which will go beyond that purpose. This report had been submitted on basis of the latest publicly available regulations in the host country. This excludes assertive any mandatory requirement which will be appointed belated.

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Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric Acid Plant in AB Achema Fertilizer Factory



### **Annex 1: Determination Protocol**

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A. Gene	eral description of project activity				
A.1. Tit	le of the project activity				
A.1.1.1.	Does the used project title clearly enable to identify the unique JI activity?	3, 4, 5	The project title clearly enables the identification of the CDM ac- tivity. No second JI activity exists with a similar title at the same site. Nevertheless a second JI activity according to Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction in same site exists with a different name. <b>Clarification Request 1</b> Please change in project title from GP Nitric acid aggregate to GP nitric acid plant.	<del>CR1</del>	V
A.1.1.2.	Are there any indication concerning the revision number and the date of the revision?	3, 4, 5	The revision number and the date of the issuance of this revision are correctly indicated. The available PDD is indicated as version 01 submitted June 29, 2007.	V	V
A.1.1.3.	Is this consistent with the time line of the project's history?	3, 4, 5	So far we know for the moment the given dates are in consistency with timeline of the project development. Nevertheless the possi- bility of a future delay in change of the secondary catalysts (gauze) had been identified. Proximately the gauzes will be changed in September 2008 instead of July 2008.	Ŋ	V
A.2. De	scription of the project activity				
A.2.1.1.	Is the description delivering a transparent overview of the project activities?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	V	V
A.2.1.2.	What proofs are available demonstrating that the project description is in compliance with the actual situation or planning?	3, 4, 5, 9	Yes, it is.	V	Ø
A.2.1.3.	Is the information provided by these proofs consistent with the information pro- vided by the PDD?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	V	V

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A.2.1.4.	Is all information pr3, 4, 5esented consis- tent with details provided by further chap- ters of the PDD?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	V	
A.3. Project participants					
A.3.1.1.	Is the form required for the indication of project participants correctly applied?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	$\square$	V
A.3.1.2.	Is the participation of the listed entities or Parties confirmed by each one of them?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is. Clarification Request 2: During on-site audit the LoE from Lithuanian side had not been available. Please submit the acquired documents to hand of As- sessment team leader.	<del>CR2</del>	Ŋ
A.3.1.3.	Is all information on participants / Parties provided in consistency with details pro- vided by further chapters of the PDD (in particular annex 1)?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	Ŋ	Q
A.4. Te	chnical description of the project activ	ity			
A.4.1.	Location of the project activity				
A.4.1.1.	Does the information provided on the lo- cation of the project activity allow for a clear identification of the site(s)?	3, 4, 5	Yes it is. The project location could be clearly identified according to the PDD. The address of the plant is given as well as corres- ponding maps. The project activity is located within AB Achema in Kaunas region, Rukla county, Jonalaukis village, Lithuania. <b>Clarification Request 3:</b> Please provide detailed coordinates (e.g. GPS) on the location within the PDD for easier identification of the project site	<del>CR3</del>	



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A.4.1.2.	How is it ensured and/or demonstrated, that the project proponents can implement the project at this site (ownership, li- censes, contracts etc.)?		The legal status of implementation of the project at this site had been ensured by submitting cover page and key pages of the con- tract between AB Achema and BASF.	Ŋ	Ŋ
A.4.2.	Technology(ies) to be employed, or mea	asures,	operations or actions to be implemented by the project activity		
A.4.2.1.	Does the technical design of the project activity reflect current good practices?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it does.		$\mathbf{V}$
A.4.2.2.	Does the description of the technology to be applied provide sufficient and trans- parent input/ information to evaluate its impact on the greenhouse gas balance?	3, 4, 5	Yes, the description of the technology to be applied provides suf- ficient and transparent input/ information to evaluate its impact on the greenhouse gas balance.	Ŋ	Ŋ
A.4.2.3.	Does the implementation of the project ac- tivity require any technology transfer from annex-I-countries to the host country(ies)?	3, 4, 5	Yes, the implementation of the project activity requires technology transfer from annex-I-countries. AB Achema is using a new type of gauzes for N2O abatement from annex-I-country-provider Johnson & Matthews.	ß	Q
A.4.2.4.	Is the technology implemented by the pro- ject activity environmentally safe?	3, 4, 5	The additional catalyst is made of precious metals and does not create significant negative environmental effect. Obsolete catalyst is to be recycled.	V	V
A.4.2.5.	Is the information provided in compliance with actual situation or planning?	3, 4, 5, 9	The information provided is in compliance with actual situation and planning. During on-site inspection, the presentation materi- als related to the project technology, which are provided by cata- lyst suppliers, were confirmed.	Ŋ	Ŋ
A.4.2.6.	Does the project use state of the art tech- nology and / or does the technology result in a significantly better performance than any commonly used technologies in the host country?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is a state of art technology providing significant N2O emis- sion reduction with simple "end of pipe technology"	ß	N

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A.4.2.7.	Is the project technology likely to be sub- stituted by other or more efficient tech- nologies within the project period?	3, 4, 5	Not likely as it is expected to reduce 80-90% of N2O emission.	V	Ø
A.4.2.8.	Does the project require extensive initial training and maintenance efforts in order to be carried out as scheduled during the project period?	3, 4, 5, 9, 10	Extensive training is required in the context of monitoring. This is correctly described by the PDD. During on-site inspection, it was confirmed that experienced in- strument technician are employed in this project and that plant employees and responsible person for monitoring received inten- sive training. Training had been conducted by BASF Prozessana- lysentechnik in May 2007. See: BASF training schedule and addi- tional Item 16 of project implementation schedule		
A.4.2.9.	Is information available on the demand and requirements for training and mainte- nance?	3, 4, 5	After placing of the secondary catalysts the internal QA of Achema requires special training in maintenance. Information on this issue is available.	Q	Ŋ
A.4.2.10.	Is a schedule available for the implemen- tation of the project and are there any risks for delays?	3, 4, 5	A schedule is available but so far we know yet Achema's sched- ule is very ambitious and there are serious risks for time line de- lays of implementation. The biggest risk would be at schedule of new AMS delivery and at a result of QAL2 test on existing AMS. However they will affect on verification, but they are not immedi- ate issues of validation.	ß	Ø
A.4.3. inc po	Brief Explanation of how the anthropogen cluding why the emission reduction would not licies and circumstances	nic emis t occur i	ssions of greenhouse gases by sources are to be reduced by the prop in the absence of the proposed project, taking into account national a	posed JI p nd/or sect	oroject, oral
A.4.3.1.	Is there a brief explanation of how the an- thropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases by sources are to be reduced by the proposed JI project, including why the emission reduction would not occur in the absence of the proposed project, taking	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	Ŋ	V

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	avaliable:					
A.4.6.	A.4.6. Public funding of the project activity (not required in JI; here: just additional information)					
A.4.6.1.	Is the information provided on public fund- ing provided in compliance with the actual situation or planning as available by the project participants?	3, 4, 5	<b><u>Clarification Request 4:</u></b> As in PDD its considered that assent from the Lithuanian Envi- ronmental Investment Fund was taken into consideration in the decision making procedure, please explain the current situation of	CR4	V	

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			public funding.		
A.4.6.2.	Is all information provided consistent with the details given in remaining chapters of the PDD (in particular annex 2)?	3, 4, 5, 11	So far we know baseline (Annex 2) started June 30, 2007. Base- line monitoring data is expected to be available in summer 2008.	Ø	V
			Printscreens of graphic trend June 26, 2007 to July 03, 2007		
B. Base	line			L L	
B.1. De	escription and justification of the basel	ine cho	osen		
B.1.1.1.	Are reference number, version number, and title of the baseline and monitoring methodology clearly indicated?	3, 4, 5	Reference number, version number, and title of the baseline and monitoring methodology are clearly indicated.	V	V
B.1.1.2.	Is the applied version the most recent one and / or is this version still applicable?	3, 4, 5	The PDD applies AM0034, version 02 and refers in the baseline section to AM0028, version 04.1. For both methodologies the referred version is the most recent one.	Ø	
Justificati	ion of the choice of the methodology and	why it i	s applicable to the project activity		
B.1.1.3. the	Is the applied methodology considered most appropriate one?	3, 4, 5	AM0034 is solely addressing the destruction of nitrous oxide by secondary measures. Hence it is considered that AM0034 is the appropriate choice for this project activity also applying a secondary technology in the ammonia burner of a nitric acid plant.	Ŋ	V
Integrate t answered	he required amount of sub-checklists on the a with "No";	applicat	bility criteria as given by the applied methodology and comment on at	least ever	y line
B.1.1.4.	Criterion 1: The applicability is limited to the existing production capacity measured in tonnes of nitric acid, where the commercial produc- tion had began no later than 31 December 2005. Definition of "existing" production	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?Yes	<del>CR5</del>	



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	capacity is applied for the process with the existing ammonia oxidization reactor where N2O is generated and not for the process with new ammonia oxidizer. Ex- isting production "capacity" is defined as the designed capacity, measured in tons of nitric acid per year.		<b><u>Clarification Request 5:</u></b> What proofs are available that there has already been regular operation on Dec 31, 2005? During on-site mission AB Achema confirmed that commercial production started in January 2004. Nevertheless fitting documents e.g. production log sheets from 2004 had not been available on-site. Please present fitting docu- ments for some representative month.		
B.1.1.5.	Criterion 2: The project activity will not result in the shut down of any existing N2O destruction or abatement facility or equipment in the plant.	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesDuring on-site audit, no such equipment was seen. And there is no indication in schematic drawing either.	V	V
B.1.1.6.	Criterion 3: The project activity shall not affect the level of nitric acid production	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesBASF (secondary catalyst supplier) guarantees that no impact tolevel of nitric acid production will take place. Nevertheless by explanation of Achema project management a very small pressuredrop of up to 19 mbar might be possible. Anyway this will notharm the level of nitric acid production.	V	V
B.1.1.7.	Criterion 4: There are currently no regulatory require- ments or incentives to reduce levels of	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklist Yes / No		V



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N2O emissions from nitric acid plants in the host country.		$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$		
B.1.1.8. Criterion 5: No N2O abatement technology is cur- rently installed in the plant.	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesDuring the monitoring check it has been verified that there is no abatement technology installed.	Ŋ	V
B.1.1.9. Criterion 6: The project activity will not increase NOx emissions.	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesNOx monitoring is already performed due to requirements by the environmental authority. No increases should occur. The concen- trations will be monitored anyway.	V	V
B.1.1.10. Criterion 7: NOx abatement catalyst installed, if any, prior to the start of the project activity is not a Non- Selective Catalytic Reduction (NSCR) DeNOx unit.	12	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?Yes	Ø	Ø



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		During on-site inspection, it was confirmed that there is no NOx abatement catalyst installed. It had been confirmed that, if any prior to the start of the project activity is not a Non-Selective Cata- lytic Reduction (NSCR) DeNOx unit. The proof was taken from general description of SCR technology submitted by provider En- vironmental Catalysts & Systems			
B.1.1.11. Criterion 8: Operation of the secondary N2O abate- ment catalyst installed under the project activity does not lead to any process emissions of greenhouse gases, directly or indirectly.	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesThere is no further impact on greenhouse gas emissions by thiskind of technology.	Ŋ	V	
<ul> <li>B.1.1.12. Criterion 9: Continuous real-time measurements of N2O concentration and total gas volume flow can be carried out in the stack:</li> <li>Prior to the installation of the secondary catalyst for one campaign, and</li> <li>After the installation of the secondary catalyst throughout the chosen crediting period of the project activity</li> </ul>	3, 4, 5	Applicability checklistYes / NoCriterion discussed in the PDD?YesCompliance provable?YesCompliance verified?YesDuring the monitoring check it has been verified that the required measurement equipment is installed.	Ŋ	V	
The baseline scenario shall be identified using procedure for Identification of the baseline scenario described in the approved methodolog "Catalytic N2O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric Acid Plants" version 03.					
B.1.1.13. Have all technically feasible baseline sce- nario alternatives (at least all scenarios listed under step 1a in AM0028, vers.3) to the project activity been identified and dis- cussed by the PDD? Why can this list be	3, 4, 5, 33, 34,	Using methodology AM0034 "Catalytic reduction of N2O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants" requires the identification of baseline scenario using procedure for Identification of the base- line scenario described in the approved methodology AM0028 "Catalytic N2O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric Acid Plants"	CAR1	V	



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	considered as being complete?		version 03. <u>Corrective Action Request 1:</u> Please identify and discuss all feasible baseline scenario alterna- tives (at least all scenarios listed under step 1a in AM0028,vers.3)		
B.1.1.14.	Have all technically feasible alternatives (at least all scenarios listed under step 1a in AM0028, vers.3) to handle NOx emis- sions been identified and discussed by the PDD?	3, 4, 5, 33, 34,	Corrective Action Request 2: Please identify and discuss all technically feasible alternatives (at least all scenarios listed under step 1a in AM0028, vers.3) to han- dle NOx emissions (Please see also CAR1 at B.4.1)	CAR2	V
B.1.1.15.	Does the project identify correctly and ex- clude those options not in line with regula- tory or legal requirements?	3, 4, 5, 33, 34,	Corrective Action Request 3: Please identify and ex-clude those options not in line with regula- tory or legal requirements? (Please see also CAR1 at B.4.1)	CAR3	V
B.1.1.16.	Have applicable regulatory or legal re- quirements been identified?	3, 4, 5, 33, 34,	The existing regulation in Lithuania does not require implementa- tion any technologies for N2O abatement. There are no subsidies or other support available for such technologies. Hence the instal- lation of different N2O abatement technologies (other than secon- dary catalysts) is not feasible as any of the existing N2O abate- ment technologies imply additional costs and no revenues outside the JI mechanism.	V	V
B.1.1.17.	Is a complete list of barriers developed that prevent alternatives to occur (step 3a)?	3, 4, 5, 34	Corrective Action Request 4: Please develop a complete list of barriers developed that prevent alternatives to occur (step 3a). (Please see also CAR1 at B.4.1)	CAR4	V
B.1.1.18.	Is transparent and documented evidence provided on the existence and signifi- cance of these barriers?	3, 4, 5, 34	Corrective Action Request 5: Please make transparent and document the evidence provided on the existence and significance of these barriers.	CAR5	V
B.1.1.19.	Is it transparently shown that at least one	3, 4,	Corrective Action Request 6:	CAR6	$\checkmark$

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	of the alternatives is not prevented by the identified barriers (step 3b)?	5, 34	Please make show transparently that at least one of the alterna- tives is not prevented by the identified barriers (step 3b)?		
B.1.1.20.	Does the PDD include an appropriate dis- cussion if and how any alternatives gen- erate financial or economic benefits? (step 4)	3, 4, 5, 34	Although it is not presented explicitly it can be concluded from the previous steps that no alternative is remaining that would generate financial or economic benefits.	V	Ŋ
B.1.1.21.	In case of Option I: Is the least costly al- ternative clearly identified?	3, 4, 5, 34	The continuation of the recent situation is clearly identified as the least costly option.	V	V
B.1.1.22.	In case of Option II: Is the most suitable financial indicator clearly identified?	-	Not applicable	V	V
B.1.1.23.	In case of Option II: Is the calculation of financial figures for this indicator correctly done for all remaining alternatives?	-	Not applicable	V	V
B.1.1.24.	In case of Option II: Is the investment analysis presented in a transparent man- ner providing public available proofs for data?	-	Not applicable	V	Ŋ
B.1.1.25.	In case of Option II: Is the sensitivity analysis evidencing the robustness of the financial attractiveness of the selected baseline scenario?	-	Not applicable	V	V
B.1.1.26.	In case of Option II: Have reasonable variations been applied in critical assumptions?	-	Not applicable		V
B.1.1.27.	In case of a re-assessment in the course of the project's lifetime: Are there any new or modified NOx-emission regulations, which may address the project baseline?	-	Not applicable	V	

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B.1.1.28. In case of a re-assessment in the course of the project's lifetime: Have new base- line scenarios been properly discussed re flecting the altered situation?	-	Not applicable	V	Ŋ
B.1.1.29. In case of a re-assessment in the course of the project's lifetime: Are there any new or modified N2O-emission regulations, which may address the project baseline?	-	Not applicable	V	V
B.1.1.30. In case of a re-assessment in the course of the project's lifetime: Have new base- line scenarios been properly discussed re flecting the altered situation?	-	Not applicable	V	Q
B.2. Description of how the anthropogenic e have occurred in the absence of the JI p	mission roject (a	ns of greenhouse gases by sources are reduced below thos assessment and demonstration of additionality):	se that w	ould
B.2.1.1. In case of applying step 2 / investment analysis of the additionality tool: Is the analysis method identified appropriately (step 2a)?	3, 4, 5, 34	As in chapter B.2 the investment analysis has been selected as the appropriate choice of possible methods.	V	Ŋ
B.2.1.2. In case of Option I (simple cost analysis): Is it demonstrated that the activity pro- duces no economic benefits other than JI income?	3, 4, 5, 34	It is clearly shown that there is no economical benefit by the re- duction of the nitrous oxide concentration other than the CDM revenues.	V	Ŋ
B.2.1.3. In case of Option II (investment compari- son analysis): Is the most suitable finan- cial indicator clearly identified (IRR, NPV, cost benefit ratio, or (levelized) unit cost)?	-	Not applicable		V
B.2.1.4. In case of Option III (benchmark analysis) Is the most suitable financial indicator	-	Not applicable		V

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	clearly identified (IRR, NPV, cost benefit ratio, or (levelized) unit cost)?				
B.2.1.5.	In case of Option II or Option III: Is the calculation of financial figures for this indi- cator correctly done for all alternatives and the project activity?	-	Not applicable	V	$\mathbf{\Sigma}$
B.2.1.6.	In case of Option II or Option III: Is the analysis presented in a transparent man- ner including publicly available proofs for the utilized data?	-	Not applicable	V	$\mathbf{\nabla}$
B.2.1.7.	In case of applying step 3 (barrier analy- sis) of the additionality tool: Is a complete list of barriers developed that prevent the different alternatives to occur?	-	Not applicable	V	$\mathbf{N}$
B.2.1.8.	In case of applying step 3 (barrier analy- sis): Is transparent and documented evi- dence provided on the existence and sig- nificance of these barriers?	-	Not applicable	V	
B.2.1.9.	In case of applying step 3 (barrier analy- sis): Is it transparently shown that the execution of at least one of the alterna- tives is not prevented by the identified bar- riers?	-	Not applicable	V	N
B.2.1.10.	Have other activities in the host country / region similar to the project activity been identified and are these activities appro- priately analyzed by the PDD (step 4a)?	-	Not applicable		
B.2.1.11.	If similar activities are occurring: Is it demonstrated that in spite of these simi-	-	See above	$\checkmark$	V

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larities the project activity would not be implemented without the JI componen (step 4b)?	e t			
B.2.1.12. Is it appropriately explained how the a proval of the project activity will help to overcome the economic and financial dles or other identified barriers (step 5	p- 3, 4, 5, 34 hur- )?	As there is no other incentive than the JI this criterion is fulfilled.	Ø	V
B.3. Description of how the definition of	the project	boundary is applied to the project		
Integrate the required amount of sub-checklists fo swered with "No"	r sources and	d gases as given by the methodology applied and comment on at lea	st every lir	ne an-
<ul> <li>B.3.1.1. Source: Waste stream exiting the stack of the tric Acid plant (Burner inlet to stack) Gas(es): N2O Type: Baseline Emissions and Project Emissions</li> </ul>	Ni-	Boundary checklistYes / NoSource and gas(es) discussed in the PDD?YesInclusion / exclusion justified?YesExplanation / Justification sufficient?YesConsistency with monitoring plan?Yes		
B.3.1.2. Do the spatial and technological boun ries as verified on-site comply with the discussion provided by / indication in- cluded to the PDD?	da- 3, 4, 5, 34	The boundaries as verified at the monitoring check comply with the discussion in the PDD		V
B.4. Further baseline information, includ the baseline:	ing the date	e of baseline setting and the name(s) of the person(s)/entity	/(ies) set	ting
B.4.1.1. Are the name(s) of the per- son(s)/entity(ies) whom setting the bas line available?	3, 4, se- 5	The baseline study was prepared by consulting company UAB Ekostrategija and completed June 01, 2007.	V	V



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B.4.1.2.	Is the date of baseline setting available?	3, 4, 5	The baseline for the project activity had not been set yet. The PDD presents preliminary estimates of the baseline and project emissions. AB Achema intends to start baseline at the beginning of 5th campaign. Hence – after 4 available historic campaigns – the 5 <sup>t</sup> th campaign will be the baseline campaign.		
C. Dura	tion of the project activity / crediting	g perio	od in the second s		
C.1. St	arting date of the project:				
C.1.1.	Is the project's starting date clearly de- fined and reasonable?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is. The installation for secondary catalyst is envisioned for July 2007.		N
C.2. Expected operational lifetime of the project:					
C.2.1.	Is the expected operational lifetime of the project clearly defined and reasonable?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is. The expected operational lifetime of this project is 20 years.		N
C.3. Length of the crediting period:					
C.3.1.	Is the assumed crediting period clearly de- fined and reasonable?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is. The length of the crediting period is 4 years and 4,5 months.		Ŋ
D. Monitoring plan					
D.1. Description of monitoring plan chosen:					
D.1.0.1	Is it explained how the procedures pro- vided in the methodology are applied by the proposed project activity?	3, 4, 5	The discussion under section B.6.1 is referencing all formulae and emissions in compliance with the applied methodology and the project boundaries as presented earlier in the PDD.		Ŋ
D.1.0.2.	Is every selection of options offered by the methodology correctly justified and is this justification in line with the situation verified on-site?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it does.	V	Ø

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D.1.0.3.	Is the operational and management struc- ture clearly described and in compliance with the envisioned situation?	23, 26	The operational and management structure is clearly described and in compliance with the envisioned situation.		N
D.1.0.4.	Are responsibilities and institutional ar- rangements for data collection and archiv- ing clearly provided?	23, 26	Responsibilities and institutional arrangements for data collection and archiving are clearly provided.	V	V
D.1.0.5.	Does the monitoring plan provide current good monitoring practice?	23, 26,	The monitoring plan provides current good monitoring practice.	$\mathbf{\overline{\mathbf{A}}}$	V
D.1.0.6.	Will the monitoring system be installed us- ing the European Norm 14181 (2004)?	23, 26, 13	The monitoring system installed using the European Norm 14181 (2004). A consistency Check according to the needs of AM0034 had been carried out by an independent Third Party as submitted June 29, 2007.		Ŋ
D.1.0.7.	Will the three quality assurance levels been met by the planned Automated Measuring System (AMS) according to the EN14181?	23, 26, 13	Three quality assurance levels will been met by the planned Automated Measuring System (AMS) according to the EN14181		Ø
D.1.0.8.	Are the specific performance characteris- tics of the monitoring system chosen by the project listed in the PDD?	23, 26, 13	The specific performance characteristics of the monitoring system chosen by the project are listed in the PDD.		Ŋ
D.1.0.9.	Is information on the margins of errors and the cumulative error for the complete measurement system provided in the PDD?	23, 26, 13	Information on the margins of errors and the cumulative error for the complete measurement system is provided in the PDD.		V
D.1.0.10	Is the inclusion of external accredited ser- vices providers for calibration and function tests foreseen in the planning of the pro- ject?	23, 26, 13	The inclusion of external accredited services providers for calibra- tion and function tests is foreseen in the planning of the project.		V

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D.1.0.11	Are the requirements on the treatment of downtime of the AMS clearly reflected in the envisioned calculation routines?	23, 26, 13	The requirements on the treatment of downtime of the AMS are clearly reflected in the envisioned calculation routines.			
D.1.0.12	If applicable: Does Annex 3 provide useful information enabling a better under- standing of the envisioned monitoring pro- visions?	23, 26, 13	Yes, it does.	Ŋ	Ŋ	
Date of cor	mpletion of the application of the baseline stu	idy and	monitoring methodology an the name of the responsible person(s)/e	ntity(ies)		
D.1.0.13	Is there any indication of a date when the baseline was determined?	3, 4, 5	The date is clearly indicated in PDD. The baseline should be started at July 01, 2007.	A	J	
D.1.0.14	Is this consistent with the time line of the PDD history?	3, 4, 5	It is consistent with the time line of the project development.			
D.1.0.15.	Is the information on the person(s) / entity (ies) responsible for the application of the baseline and monitoring methodology provided consistent with the actual situa- tion?	3, 4, 5	The information is consistent with the actual situation.	L	A	
D.1.0.16	. Is information provided whether this per- son / entity is also considered a project participant?	3, 4, 5	The information is consistent with the actual situation.	Ŋ	Ŋ	
Option 1 – Monitoring of the emissions in the project scenario and the baseline scenario:						
D.1.1. Data to be collected in order to monitor emissions from the project and how these datas will be archived:						
D.1.1.1.	Is the list of parameters collected in order to monitor emissions from the project in chapter D.1.1. considered to be complete with regard to the requirements of the ap- plied methodology?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	N	N	

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D.1.1.2. Parameter Title: CL <sub>BL</sub> , Baseline campaign length	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYes / NoTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?N/AHas this value been verified?N/AChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesThe character of a GP plant campaign is that the complete plantwith ALL 4 reactors will shut down for maintenance and gauzechange and just started up again after ALL 4 gauzes are changedsimultaneous. A single shut down of a single reactor is technicalnot possible because of a combined mixing chamber.The value is to be verified later by the verifying entity.		
D.1.1.3. Parameter Title: CL <sub>normal</sub> Normal campaign length	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYes / NoTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?YesHas this value been verified?NoChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesPlease see above to CR6 and CR7 at B.6.2.4. We repeat them in identical diction as follows:	CR6 CR7	N N



CHECKLI	ST TOPIC / QUESTION	Ref.	COMMENTS		PPD in GSP	Final PDD
			AB Achema confirmed: Historical datas are available. The Plant started operations in January 2004. Oral confirmed data are: Campaign 1: 4901h (204d) Campaign 2: 6031h (251d) Campaign 3: 8361h (347d) Campaign 4: started in September 2006 with an estimated dura- tion of 8000h (333d); Note: So far we know this campaign is ongo- ing until end of August 2007. Nevertheless AB Achema asked for cutting off this campaign (without gauze change) end of June and using the final months of campaign 4 as first months of baseline campaign. <b>Clarification Request 6:</b> Please show proofs about the historical Operating hours for to define the permitted range of OH during baseline campaign. <b>Clarification Request 7:</b> Please explain the obviously differing length in campaign 1 and 2			
D.1.1.4.	Parameter Title: NAP <sub>BC</sub> Nitric acid (100% concentrated) over baseline campaign	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYTitle in line with methodology?YData unit correctly expressed?YAppropriate description of parameter?YSource clearly referenced?YCorrect value provided?NHas this value been verified?NChoice of data correctly justified?YMeasurement method correctly described?YThe value is to be verified later by the verifying error	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A Yes Yes ntity.	CR8	V



D.1.1.5. Parameter Title: TSG Temperature of stack gas17 to 24, 26 to 3217 to 24, 26 to 32D.1.1.5. Parameter Title: TSG Temperature of stack gas17 to 24, 26 to 3217 to 24, 26 to 32D.1.1.5. Parameter Title: TSG Temperature of stack gas17 to 24, 26 to 3217 to 24, 26 to 32Data Checklist Title in line with methodology Data unit correctly expressed Appropriate description of pa Source clearly referenced? Correct value provided? Has this value been verified fate N/A (not applicable) because	CHECKLIST TOPIC / QUESTION Ref. COMMENTS		PPD in GSP	Final PDD
D.1.1.5.       Parameter Title:       17 to         TSG       24,       Data Checklist         Title in line with methodology       Data unit correctly expressed         Appropriate description of para       Source clearly referenced?         Correct value provided?       Has this value been verified?         Has this value been verified?       Choice of data correctly justi         Measurement method correct       The value is to be verified late         N/A (not applicable) because       N/A (not applicable) because	AB Achema confirmed: Hist started operations in Janua 1005 tHNO3/24h based on 41,862kg/h (stream number 330000 tHNO <sub>3</sub> /328d (or 78) based on 100% production; 1month maintenance; The value is to be verified la <b>Clarification Request 8:</b> Please show proofs about t to define the permitted range	torical datas are available. The Plant ry 2004. Confirmed data are: average HNO3 production in 2004 of r 309); Oral confirmed data are: 28h/a of production) from design data ; 1000t/24h; 11month production + ater by the verifying entity. the historical Nitric acid production for ge of NAP during baseline campaign.		
because temperature of stack ber from design data; During baseline campaign TS Clarification Request 9:	arameter Title: SG emperature of stack gas 17 to 24, 26 to 32 Data Checklist Title in line with methodolo Data unit correctly express Appropriate description of Source clearly referenced' Correct value provided? Has this value been verifie Choice of data correctly ju Measurement method corr The value is to be verified la N/A (not applicable) becaus because temperature of sta ber from design data; During baseline campaign Clarification Request 9:	Yes / Noogy?Yessed?Yesparameter?Yes?Yes?YesN/Aed?N/Astified?Yesrectly described?Yesater by the verifying entity.se TSG is not needed for the momentack gas is still only an estimated num-TSG will be measured continuously;	CR9	


CHECKLIST TOPIC / QUESTION	Ref.	COMMENTS	PPD in GSP	Final PDD
		Please explain why historical data for TSG are not available and please confirm this non-availability. Please add proofs that TSG of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	f	
D.1.1.6. Parameter Title: PSG Pressure of stack gas	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYes / NoTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?n/aHas this value been verified?NoChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesThe value is to be verified later by the verifying entity.N/A (not applicable) because PSG not needed for the moment because pressure of stack gas is still only an estimated number from design data;During baseline campaign PSG will be measured continuously ;Clarification Request 10: Please explain why historical data for PSG are not available and please confirm this non-availability. Please add proofs that PSG of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	CR10	
D.1.1.7. Parameter Title: AFR Ammonia gas flow rate to the AOR	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data Checklist     Yes / No       Title in line with methodology?     Yes       Data unit correctly expressed?     Yes       Appropriate description of parameter?     Yes	CR11	V



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		Source clearly referenced?       Yes         Correct value provided?       N/A         Has this value been verified?       N/A         Choice of data correctly justified?       Yes         Measurement method correctly described?       Yes         The value is to be verified later by the verifying entity.       In PDD v.01 nether neither a fixed value nor a range for AFR is provided as requested. It is necessary to indicate a range for setting the permitted Ammonia gas flow rate to the AOR based on historical data or if not available on design data.         Confirmed design datas are as follows:       Parameter F101302 NH3 Kiekis; Range: 10700-16750 m³/h         Clarification Request 11:       Please explain why historical data for AFR are not available and please confirm this non-availability. Please add proofs that AFR of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range		
D.1.1.8. Parameter Title: AIFR Ammonia to Air ratio	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data Checklist       Yes / No         Title in line with methodology?       Image: Section of Parameter         Data unit correctly expressed?       Image: Section of Parameter         Appropriate description of parameter?       Source clearly referenced?         Source clearly referenced?       Image: Section of Parameter         Correct value provided?       Image: Section of Parameter         Has this value been verified?       Image: Section of Parameter         Choice of data correctly justified?       Image: Section of Parameter         In PDD v.01 nether neither a fixed value nor a range for AIFR is provided as requested. It is necessary to indicate a range for set-	CR12	



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		ting the permitted Ammonia to Air ratio. Confirmed design datas are as follows: Parameter SANTYK NH3-oro santykis; Range: 9.5-10.6 % Clarification Request 12: Please explain why historical data for AIFR are not available and please confirm this non-availability. Please add proofs that AIFR of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.		
D.1.1.9. Parameter Title: OT <sub>h</sub> Oxidation temperature for each hour	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYes / NoTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?YesHas this value been verified?NoChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesAB Achema confirmed: 4 Temperatur Parameters are available(KA tinklu temperature D101A,B,C,D); Range:750-778°CSo far we know by confirmation of Achema plant operator thisrange is reality, but design datas are higher e.g 850°C. Achemaconfirms that operational conditions at all reactors 750°-780°CClarification Request 13:Please explain why historical data for OT are not available andplease confirm this non-availability. Please add proofs that OT ofthe historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	<del>CR13</del>	
D.1.1.10. Parameter Title:	17 to		CR13	



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OT <sub>normal</sub> Normal operating temperature	24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYesTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?YesHas this value been verified?NoChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesPlease see above to CR13Yes	es / No es es es es es es es es es		
D.1.1.11. Parameter Title: OPh Oxidation Pressure for each hour	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYesTitle in line with methodology?YesData unit correctly expressed?YesAppropriate description of parameter?YesSource clearly referenced?YesCorrect value provided?YesHas this value been verified?NoChoice of data correctly justified?YesMeasurement method correctly described?YesAB Achema said that oxidation pressure OP is not ainstead measures continual the air pressure beforechamber of the 4 reactor. AB Achema confirmed thisParameter Oro slegis PT09002; Range: MPa 0.21-4Clarification Request 14:Please explain why historical data for OP are not avplease confirm this non-availability. Please add procin analogy the air pressure before the mixing chamb	es / No es es es es es es es es es es es es available and e the mixing his air pressure: -0.28	CR14	

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		reactor of the historical campaigns had been insi range.	ide design data		
D.1.1.12. Parameter Title: OP <sub>normal</sub> Normal operating pressure	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data Checklist       ``         Title in line with methodology?       ``         Data unit correctly expressed?       ``         Appropriate description of parameter?       ``         Source clearly referenced?       ``         Correct value provided?       ``         Has this value been verified?       ``         Choice of data correctly justified?       ``         Measurement method correctly described?       ``         Please see above to CR14       ``	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes	<del>CR14</del>	
D.1.1.13. Parameter Title: GS <sub>normal</sub> , Normal gauze supplier for the operation condition campaigns	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistYTitle in line with methodology?YData unit correctly expressed?YAppropriate description of parameter?YSource clearly referenced?YCorrect value provided?YHas this value been verified?YChoice of data correctly justified?YMeasurement method correctly described?YAB Achema confirmed: The gauze supplier for hiNo.1 to No. 4 was Johnson Matthey PLC-NobleNote: For information supplied by AB Achema JNComposition of the gauzes after end of campaignNo.1 and No.2 used the same type of gauze andY	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes istoric campaigns Metals (JM) M changed the n No.2; Campaign d analogue cam-	V	V

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		paign No.3, No.4 and the baseline campaign u the same type.	sed and will use		
D.1.1.14. Parameter Title: GS <sub>BL</sub> Gauze supplier for baseline campaign	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided?Has this value been verified?Choice of data correctly justified?Measurement method correctly described?AB Achema confirmed: The gauze supplier forwill be Johnson Matthey PLC-Noble Metals	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes baseline campaign		
D.1.1.15. Parameter Title: GC <sub>normal</sub> Gauze composition during the operation campaign.	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided?Has this value been verified?Choice of data correctly justified?Measurement method correctly described?For the operation, baseline and project campaithey PLC-Noble Metals will not wish informatioThe data of gauze composition during the operdefined confidential by the gauze provider but a	Yes / NoYesYesNoNoNoNoYesYesYesign Johnson Mat- in to be provided.ration campaign are available on re-	CAR7	V



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		quest to TÜV SÜD assessment team and AB A	Achema.		
		The assessment leader reviewed confidential and took copies for confidential use.	datas in full details		
		AB Achema operates 4 burners each one with 6 gauzes in total means at each burner 4 gauzes of type with Platinum (Pt) and 2 gauzes of type with Palladium (Pd);			
		During on-site visit in Jonava only limited proofs of gauze change had been available. Documents for Burner 1, 2, 3, 4 at campaign No.1, for Burner 3, 4 at campaign No.2 and Burner 1, 2 at cam- paign No. 4 are outstanding. Additional - as shown already in item B.6.2.18 - Johnson Matthey PLC-Noble Metals changed the com- position of the gauzes after end of campaign No.2.			
Corrective Action Request 7:					
		Please show proofs for the gauze use at burne paign No.1, burner 3, 4 at campaign 2 and bur paign No.4.	er 1, 2, 3, 4 at cam- ner 1, 2 at cam-		
D.1.1.16. Parameter Title:				CAR7	N
GC <sub>BL</sub> ,		Data Checklist	Yes / No		
Gauze composition during baseline cam-		Title in line with methodology?	Yes		
paign		Data unit correctly expressed?	Yes		
		Appropriate description of parameter?	Yes		
		Source clearly referenced?	Yes		
		Correct value provided?	n/a		
		Has this value been verified?	No		
		Choice of data correctly justified?	Yes		
		Measurement method correctly described?	yes		
		AB Achema confirmed that campaign No.4 sta 2006 with an estimated duration of 8000h (333 this campaign is ongoing until end of August 2	rted in September 3d). So far we know 007. Nevertheless		



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			AB Achema asked for cutting off this campaign (without gauze change) end of June and using the final months of campaign 4 as first months of baseline campaign. So far we know by confirmation of AB Achema campaign No. 4 and baseline campaign will use the same type of gauzes with identical compositions data. Like this – pending from answer to CAR7 – the gauze composition during baseline campaign will be available.		
D.1.2. De lent	scription of formulae used to estimate	projec	et emissions (for each gas, source etc.; emissions in units	of CO <sub>2</sub> e	quiva-
D.1.2.1.	Are the formulae required for the determi- nation of project emissions correctly pre- sented, enabling a complete identification of parameter to be used and / or moni- tored?	3, 4, 5	The formulae required for the determination of project emissions are correctly presented enabling a complete identification of parameter to be used and monitored: $PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$ (3)	N	V
D.1.2.2.	Are the formulae required for the deriva- tion of a moving average emission factor correctly presented, enabling a complete identification of parameter to be used and / or monitored?	3, 4, 5	The formulae required for the derivation of a moving average emission factor are correctly presented enabling a complete iden- tification of parameter to be used and monitored: $EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3) (4)$ $EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3) (4)$ If $EF_{ma,n} > EF_n$ then $EF_p = EF_{ma,n}$ (6) If $EF_{ma,n} < EF_n$ then $EF_p = EF_n$	Ŋ	V
D.1.2.3.	Are the formulae required for the determi- nation of leakage emissions correctly pre- sented, enabling a complete identification of parameter to be used and / or moni- tored?	3, 4, 5	No leakage calculation is required.	Ŋ	V
D.1.3. Re withi	levant data necessary for determining n the project boundary, and how such	the <u>ba</u> data w	seline of anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases b ill be collected and achieved:	y source	S

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D.1.3.1.	Is the list of parameters monitored in chapter D.1.3. considered to be complete with regard to the requirements of the applied methodology?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.		Ø	Ø
D.1.3.2.	Is the data provided in this section in con- sistency with data as presented in other chapters of the PDD?	3, 4, 5	The data provided in this section are in consistent presented in other chapters of the PDD?	ency with data as		V
Integrate t	he required amount of sub-checklists for mor	nitoring	parameter and comment on any line answered w	ith "No"		
D.1.3.3.	Parameter Title: NCSG <sub>BC</sub> N2O concentration in the stack gas	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?Charles appropriate?The verification of value will be earliest availablebeen carried out. At the time of the on-site missticipants confirmed about pre-check proceduresThe value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
D.1.3.4.	Parameter Title: VSG <sub>BC</sub> Volume flow rate of the stack gas	17 to 24, 26 to	Monitoring Checklist	Yes / No Yes		V



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	32	Data unit correctly expressed?	Yes			
		Appropriate description of parameter?	Yes			
		Source clearly referenced?	Yes			
		Correct value provided for estimation?	N/A			
		Has this value been verified?	N/A			
		Measurement method correctly described?	Yes			
		Correct reference to standards?	Yes			
		Indication of accuracy provided?	Yes			
		QA/QC procedures described?	Yes			
		QA/QC procedures appropriate?	Yes			
		The verification of value will be earliest available been carried out. At the time of the on-site miss ticipants confirmed about pre-check procedures The value is to be verified later by the verifying	e after QAL2 h ion, project pa after AMS se entity.	nad ar- etup.		
D.1.3.5. Parameter Title:	17 to				$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
OH <sub>BC</sub>	24,	Monitoring Checklist	Yes / No			
Operating hours	26 to	Title in line with methodology?	Yes			
	32	Data unit correctly expressed?	Yes			
		Appropriate description of parameter?	Yes			
		Source clearly referenced?	Yes			
		Correct value provided for estimation?	N/A			
		Has this value been verified?	N/A			
		Measurement method correctly described?	Yes			
		Correct reference to standards?	Yes			
		Indication of accuracy provided?	Yes			
		QA/QC procedures described?	Yes			
		QA/QC procedures appropriate?	Yes			
		The value is to be verified later by the verifying	entity.			

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D.1.3.6. Parameter Title: NAP <sub>BC</sub> Nitric Acid production (100% concen- trated)	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?Chication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures appropriate?The value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
D.1.3.7. Parameter Title: TSG Temperature of stack gas	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?Charles appropriate?The verification of value will be earliest available	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes e after QAL2 had	V	V



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			been carried out. At the time of the on-site miss ticipants confirmed about pre-check procedures The value is to be verified later by the verifying	sion, project par- s after AMS setup. entity.		
D.1.3.8.	Parameter Title: PSG Pressure of stack gas	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?QA/QC procedures appropriate?The verification of value will be earliest availablebeen carried out. At the time of the on-site missticipants confirmed about pre-check proceduresThe value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Safter QAL2 had sion, project par- s after AMS setup. entity.		V
D.1.3.9.	Parameter Title: CL <sub>normal</sub> Normal campaign length	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring Checklist Title in line with methodology? Data unit correctly expressed? Appropriate description of parameter? Source clearly referenced? Correct value provided for estimation? Has this value been verified?	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A		



CHECKLIST TOPIC / QUESTION	Ref.	COMMENTS		PPD in GSP	Final PDD
D.1.3.10. Parameter Title: CL <sub>BL</sub> Baseline campaign length	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Measurement method correctly described?         Correct reference to standards?         Indication of accuracy provided?         QA/QC procedures described?         QA/QC procedures appropriate?         Although data about of this parameter had been         e.g. historic campaign No.1 to 3 - the value is to         by the verifying entity.         Monitoring Checklist         Title in line with methodology?         Data unit correctly expressed?         Appropriate description of parameter?         Source clearly referenced?         Correct value provided for estimation?         Has this value been verified?         Measurement method correctly described?         Correct reference to standards?         Indication of accuracy provided?         QA/QC procedures described?         QA/QC procedures appropriate?	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes n on-site available - be verified later Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
D.1.3.11. Parameter Title: GS <sub>project</sub> Gauze supplier for the project campaigns	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring Checklist Title in line with methodology? Data unit correctly expressed? Appropriate description of parameter? Source clearly referenced?	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes		



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		Correct value provided for estimation?	Yes		
		Has this value been verified?	Yes		
		Measurement method correctly described?	Yes		
		Correct reference to standards?	Yes		
		Indication of accuracy provided?	Yes		
		QA/QC procedures described?	Yes		
		QA/QC procedures appropriate?	Yes		
		Although data about of this parameter had been the value is to be verified later by the verifying e	n on-site available entity.		
D.1.3.12. Parameter Title:	17 to			N	J
GC <sub>project</sub>	24,	Monitoring Checklist	Yes / No		
Gauze composition during project cam-	26 to	Title in line with methodology?	Yes		
paign	32	Data unit correctly expressed?	Yes		
		Appropriate description of parameter?	Yes		
		Source clearly referenced?	Yes		
		Correct value provided for estimation?	Yes		
		Has this value been verified?	Yes		
		Measurement method correctly described?	Yes		
		Correct reference to standards?	Yes		
		Indication of accuracy provided?	Yes		
		QA/QC procedures described?	Yes		
		QA/QC procedures appropriate?	Yes		
		Although data about of this parameter had been the value is to be verified later by the verifying e	n on-site available entity.		

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D.1.3.13. Parameter Title: OP <sub>h</sub> Oxidation Pressure for each hour	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?ChecklishQA/QC procedures appropriate?The value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
D.1.3.14. Parameter Title: OT <sub>h</sub> Oxidation Pressure for each hour	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?ChecklistQA/QC procedures appropriate?The value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	V	V

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D.1.3.15. Parameter Title: AFR Ammonia gas flow rate	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?ChecklistQA/QC procedures appropriate?The value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
D.1.3.16. Parameter Title: AIFR Ammonia to Air Flow Ratio	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?ChecklistQA/QC procedures appropriate?The value is to be verified later by the verifying	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes N/A N/A N/A Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	V	V

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D.1.3.17. Parameter Title: EF <sub>reg</sub> Emissions level set by incoming policies or regulations	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Monitoring ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided for estimation?Has this value been verified?Measurement method correctly described?Correct reference to standards?Indication of accuracy provided?QA/QC procedures described?QA/QC procedures appropriate?Hence the current absence of any regulatory reN2O in Lithuania had been discussed in PDD ameter EF <sub>reg</sub> had not been integrated in parametAny future change of the regulatory requirementlater by the verifying entity.	Yes / NoNoNoNoNoNoNoNoNoNoNoNoNono </td <td></td> <td></td>		
D.1.3.18. Parameter Title: UNC Overall measurement uncertainty of the monitoring system	17 to 24, 26 to 32	Data ChecklistTitle in line with methodology?Data unit correctly expressed?Appropriate description of parameter?Source clearly referenced?Correct value provided?Has this value been verified?Choice of data correctly justified?Measurement method correctly described?At the time of the on-site mission, project partic	Yes / No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes		



CHECKLI	ST TOPIC / QUESTION	Ref.	COMMENTS	PPD in GSP	Final PDD
			about pre-check procedures after AMS setup. The UNC will be part of the pre-check report.		
			The value and its mathematical corrected use for baseline calcu- lation is to be verified later by the verifying entity.		
D.1.4. De equiv	escription of formulae used to estimate valent)	basel	ine emissions (for each gas, source etc.; emissions in units	s of CO <sub>2</sub>	
D.1.4.1.	Are the formulae required for the determi- nation of baseline emissions correctly presented, enabling a complete identifica- tion of parameter to be used and / or monitored?	3, 4, 5	The formulae required for the determination of baseline emissions are correctly presented enabling a complete identification of pa- rameter to be used and monitored: $BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O) (1)$ $EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3) (2)$	Ŋ	Ŋ
D.1.4.2.	Are the formulae required for the determi- nation of leakage emissions correctly pre- sented, enabling a complete identification of parameter to be used and / or moni- tored?	3, 4, 5	No leakage calculation is required.	A	V
D.1.4.3.	Are the formulae required for the determi- nation of emission reductions correctly presented?	3, 4, 5	The formulae required for the determination of emission reduc- tions are correctly presented: $ER = (EF_{BL} - EF_P) * NAP *GWP_{N2O}$ (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Ŋ	V
E. Estin	nation of greenhouse gas emission	reduc	tion		
E.1.Est	imate project emissions:				
E.1.1.	Are the GHG calculations documented in a complete and transparent manner?	3, 4, 5	The calculation of the emission projections are presented in a transparent and complete manner.		V
E.1.2.	Is the data provided in this section consis- tent with data as presented in other chap- ters of the PDD?	3, 4, 5	The data provided in this section is consistent with data as pre- sented in other chapters of the PDD.	V	V

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E.1.3.	Are the estimated project emissions transparent, feasible and mathematical correct calculated?	3, 4, 5	Yes, they are.	N	V
E.1.4.	Is the projection of estimated project emissions based on the same procedures as used for future monitoring?	3, 4, 5	The projection is done by the same algorithms as used for later monitoring.	V	V
E.2.Esti	imated leakage:				
E.2.1.1.	Is the estimated leakage transparent, fea- sible and mathematical correct calcu- lated?	3, 4, 5	As established in the approved methodology AM0034, no leakage calculations are necessary for this type of secondary catalyst.	Ŋ	V
E.2.2.	Is the projection of estimated leakage based on the same procedures as used for future monitoring?	3, 4, 5	The projection is done by the same algorithms as used for later monitoring.	N	V
E.3.The	sum of E.1. and E.2.:				
E.3.1.	Is the sum of E.1. and E.2. mathematical correct calculated?	3, 4, 5	As there are no leakage emissions (i.e. E.2.= 0), the sum of E.1. (estimated project emissions) and E.2. (estimated leakage) equals E.1. (estimated project emissions)	Ŋ	V
E.4.Esti	imated baseline emissions:				
E.4.1.	Are the estimated baseline emissions transparent, feasible and mathematical correct calculated?	3, 4, 5	Yes, they are.	A	V
E.4.2.	Is the projection based on the same pro- cedures as used for future monitoring?	3, 4, 5	The projection is done by the same algorithms as used for later monitoring.	V	V
E.5.Diff	erence between E.4. and E.3. represen	ting th	e emissions reductions of the project:		
E.5.1.	Is the difference between E.4. and E.3. mathematical correct calculated?	3, 4, 5	Yes, it is.	V	V

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E.6.Ta	E.6.Table providing values obtained when applying formulae above								
E.6.1.	Will the project result in fewer GHG emis- sions than the baseline scenario?	3, 4, 5	The project activity will result in emission reductions	N	A				
E.6.2.	Is the form/table required for the indication of projected emission reductions correctly applied?	3, 4, 5	The form/table required for the indication of projected emission reductions is correctly applied.	V	V				
E.6.3.	Is the projection in line with the envisioned time schedule for the project's implemen- tation and the indicated crediting period?	3, 4, 5	The projection is in line with the envisioned time schedule.						
E.6.4.	Is the data provided in this section in con- sistency with data as presented in other chapters of the PDD?	3, 4, 5	The data provided in this section are in consistency with data as presented in other chapters of the PDD?		N				
E.6.5.	Are the obtained values for estimated pro- ject emissions, estimated leakage, esti- mated baseline emissions and estimated emissions reductions provided in the table of E.6. transparent, feasible and mathe- matical correct calculated when applying formulae submitted in section E.?	3, 4, 5	Yes, they are. The obtained values in the table of E.6. are transparent, feasible and mathematical correct calculated.	N	Ø				

F. Envi	ronmental impacts						
F.1.Do	F.1. Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts						
F.1.1.	Has the analysis of the environmental im- pacts of the project activity been suffi- ciently described?	3, 4, 5, 9, 15, 25	Clarification Request 15: Please show the project's Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts (EIA) or submit a proof why an EIA within this project will not be applicable	CR15	V		



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F.1.2.	Are there any Host Party requirements for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), and if yes, has an EIA been ap- proved?	3, 4, 5, 9, 15, 25	Please see above CR15	CR15	Ŋ			
F.1.3.	Will the project create any adverse envi- ronmental effects?	3, 4, 5, 9, 15, 25	Please see above CR15	CR15	V			
F.1.4.	Were transboundary environmental im- pacts identified in the analysis?	3, 4, 5, 9, 15, 25	Please see above CR15	CR15	V			
F.2. If environmental impacts are considered significant by the project participants or the host Party, please provide conclu- sions and all references to support documentation of an environmental impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the procedures as required by the host Party								
F.2.1.	Have the identified environmental impacts been addressed in the project design sufficiently?	3, 4, 5,	Please see above CR15	CR15	V			
F.2.2.	Does the project comply with environ- mental legislation in the host country?	3, 4, 5, 34	Please see above CR15	CR15	Ŋ			
G. Stake	eholders' comments							
G.1. Bri	ief description how comments by <u>local</u>	stake	holders have been invited and compiled					
G.1.1.	Have relevant stakeholders been con- sulted?	-	An EIA is not required by Lithuanian laws. Nevertheless a discus- sion between representatives of Lithuanian ministry of environ- ment, AB Achema, Lithuanian environmental investment funds, Ekostrategija, Kaunas regional department for environmental pro- tection took place June 19, 2007	CAR8				

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			Corrective Action Request 8:		
			We appreciate the discussion about impact on the GHG balance between the representatives. Nevertheless this fact finding meet- ing is not published for outstanding readers of the PDD. Please add some notes, topics, protocol of meeting or results of the June 19, 2007 meeting.		
G.1.2.	Have appropriate media been used to in- vite comments by local stakeholders?	-	Not applicable; Please see above CAR8	CAR8	$\mathbf{\overline{A}}$
G.1.3.	If a stakeholder consultation process is required by regulations/laws in the host country, has the stakeholder consultation process been carried out in accordance with such regulations/laws?	-	Not applicable; Please see above CAR8	CAR8	V
G.1.4.	Is the undertaken stakeholder process that was carried out described in a com- plete and transparent manner?	-	Not applicable; Please see above CAR8	CAR8	V
G.2. St	ummary of the comments received				
G.2.1.	Is a summary of the received stakeholder comments provided?	-	Not applicable; Please see above CAR8	CAR8	$\checkmark$
G.3. Re	eport on how due account was taken of	f any c	omments received		
G.3.1.	Has due account been taken of any stakeholder comments received?	-	Not applicable; Please see above CAR8	CAR8	$\checkmark$
H. Anne	exes 1 – 3				
H.1. An	nex 1: Contact Information				
H.1.1.	Is the information provided consistent with the one given under section A.3?	5	Yes, it is;	V	$\checkmark$

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H.1.2.	Is the information on all private partici- pants and directly involved Parties pre- sented?	5	Yes, it is;	V	
H.2. A	nnex 2: Baseline information				
H.2.1.	If additional background information on baseline data is provided: Is this informa- tion consistent with data presented by other sections of the PDD?	5	Not applicable (n/a) at determination;		V
H.2.2.	Is the data provided verifiable? Has suffi- cient evidence been provided to the vali- dation team?	5	Not applicable (n/a) at determination; Baseline monitoring data are expected to be available in summer 2008	V	V
H.2.3.	Does the additional information substanti- ate / support statements given in other sections of the PDD?	5	Not applicable (n/a) at determination;	V	V
H.3. A	nnex 3: Monitoring information				
H.3.1.	If additional background information on monitoring is provided: Is this information consistent with data presented in other sections of the PDD?	5	Yes, it is;		V
H.3.2.	Is the information provided verifiable? Has sufficient evidence been provided to the validation team?	5	Yes, it is;		V
H.3.3.	Do the additional information and / or documented procedures substantiate / support statements given in other sec- tions of the PDD?	5	Yes, it is;		V



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#### Summary of project owner response Validation team Clarifications and corrective action re-Ref. to quests by validation team table 1 Conclusion B.1.1.13 Using methodology AM0034 "Catalytic re-Description added to B2. The issue has been clarified. duction of N2O inside the ammonia burner of The AM0034 states: "The baseline scenario shall be nitric acid plants" requires the identification of identified using procedure for Identification of the basebaseline scenario using procedure for Identiline scenario described in the approved methodology fication of the baseline scenario described in AM0028 "Catalytic N2O destruction in the tail gas of the approved methodology AM0028 "Cata-Nitric Acid Plants". Step 1a of AM0028 lists the followlytic N2O destruction in the tail gas of Nitric ing alternatives: Acid Plants" version 03. A) The continuation of the current situation, where **Corrective Action Request 1:** there will be no installation of technology for the de-Please identify and discuss all feasible basestruction or abatement of N2O. line scenario alternatives (at least all scenar-Switch to alternative production method not in-B) ios listed under step 1a in AM0028, vers.3) volving ammonia oxidation process C) Alternative use of N2O such as: Recycling of N2O as a feedstock for the plant; a. b. The use of N2O for external purposes. Installation of a Non-Selective Catalytic Reduc-D) tion (NSCR) DeNOx unit. The installation of an N2O destruction or abate-E) ment technology: Tertiary measure for N2O destruction; a. Primary or secondary measures for N2O deb. struction or abatement. **Corrective Action Request 2:** B.1.1.14. Description added to B2. The issue has been clarified.

#### Table 2 Resolution of Corrective Action and Clarification Requests

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listed under step 1a in AM0028, vers.3) to handle NOx emissions.			
Corrective Action Request 3:	B.1.1.15.	Description added to B2.	The issue has been clarified.
Please identify and exclude those options not in line with regulatory or legal requirements.		Sub-step 1b. Consistency with mandatory laws and regulations:	
		The existing regulation in Lithuania does not require implementation any technologies for N2O abatement. The Lithuanian Integrated Pollution Prevention regula- tion does not list N2O as a pollutant nor there plans for its limitation.	
		There are two issues widely discussed in Europe that have a potential to affect the project. These are: inclu- sion of N2O into EU Emission Trading Scheme and Draft Reference document on Best Available Tech- niques for the "Manufacture of Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals – Ammonia, Acids and Fertilisers".	
		The report under the project "Review of EU Emissions Trading Scheme" by the European Commission Direc- torate General for Environment and Ecofys on "Inclu- sion of Additional Activities and Gases into the EU- Emissions Trading Scheme" (Ecofys, October 2006) generally states that EU ETS for N2O could be more cost effective measure than IPPC scheme. It also states that "Competition with non-EU-producers is a potentially serious issue as the products are widely traded."	
		The Directive 2003/87/EC states that: "From 2008, Member States may apply emission allowance trading in accordance with this Directive to activities, installa- tions and greenhouse gases which are not listed in An- nex I, provided that inclusion of such activities, installa- tions and greenhouse gases is approved by the Com-	



mission ()" . Lithuanian National Allocation Plan for 2008-2012 under EU ETS does not contain any provi- sions for inclusion of N2O into EU ETS in Lithuania for the period 2008-2012.	
During the stakeholders meeting of 19th of June 2007, representatives of Ministry of the Environment, National Greenhouse gas registry, Kaunas Regional department for environmental protection and AB Achema made a conclusion that the JI mechanism is more effective measure to curb N2O emissions than the application of the IPPC directive requirements. The participants of the meeting came to the conclusion that the limit values for	
N2O emissions in the nitric acid production should not be introduced before year 2013 (more details in F1).	
tation mechanism could be an option for N2O reduction. The JI mechanism has two advantages compared to other measures - more N2O emissions would be re-	
duced in total and EU producers would not be disad- vantaged against non-EU fertiliser producers. Higher emission reductions would be achieved due to the fact	
that under the JI mechanism emission reductions can be started generating already at the beginning of 2008 while other measures would take at least several years	
to introduce. Another argument is that under IPPC regulation N2O emissions would be reduced only to the required technical level while under JI mechanism it	
which would be lower than the IPPC required technical level. Considering competitiveness issue – under the JI mechanism, EU fertiliser producers would be under	
similar business conditions considering potential reve- nues from the ERU sales.	



Corrective Action Request 4:	B.1.1.17.	Added to B2 step 3.	The issue has been clarified.
Please develop a complete list of barriers		Sub-step 3a.	
developed that prevent alternatives to occur (step 3a).		Alternative B is not feasible as currently there are no commercially available technologies for nitric acid pro- duction other than ammonia oxidation. Earlier used Glauber method (saltpetre reacting with sulphuric acid) and Birkland & Edye method (electrical discharge on air) proved to be costly and inefficient. Thus, this alter- native is not feasible.	
		Alternative C is not feasible as it is not possible produce nitric acid from N2O, therefore there is no reason to keep it as a feedstock. Also, there no case studies of N2O recovery as a feedstock. N2O use for external purposes is not profitable economically as N2O concen- trations are very low compared to the amount of tail gas and thus recovery of it requires many efforts.	
		Alternative D is not feasible as AB Achema is already operating a selective catalytic reduction De NOx unit and complies with the existing NOx regulation. There is no economic reason to use more costly and les effec- tive Non-selective catalytic reduction unit.	
		Alternative E is not feasible as N2O emission reduction in the HNO3 production process is a costly procedure and does not give any revenues, except from ERU sales. This implies that the project can be implemented only under the JI mechanism. Moreover, if abatement technology is not correctly designed and installed it can influence production level and product quality.	
Corrective Action Request 5:	B.1.1.18	Added to B2 step 3a.	The issue has been clarified.
Please make transparent and document the evidence provided on the existence and sig-		Please also see B.1.1.4 of the protocol above. The pro- tocol of stakeholder meeting held in Achema was sub- mitted to the validator on 14.09.2007 as a supporting	

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nificance of these barriers.		document.	
Corrective Action Request 6: Please make show transparently that at least one of the alternatives is not prevented by the identified barriers (step 3b)?	B.1.1.19	Added to B2 step 3b. Sub-step 3b. Alternative A is feasible as any of the existing N2O abatement technologies imply additional costs and no revenues outside the JI mechanism. There are no sub- sidies or other support measures available for N2O abatement technologies in Lithuania. The existing regu- lation does not demand N2O emission reductions ei- ther, hence the producer has no incentive for N2O emission reductions.	The issue has been clarified.
Corrective Action Request 7: Please show proofs for the gauze use at burner 1, 2, 3, 4 at campaign No.1, burner 3, 4 at campaign 2 and burner 1, 2 at campaign No.4.	D.1.1.10	Installation-dismantling protocols contain list of gauzes and list of burners, where they are installed (PDF file name: "Installation-dismantling protocols".) Reception protocols contain gauze composition e.g. Pt/Rh/Pd – 90/5/5 %. (PDF file name "Reception protocols). Email from Mr. Michael Lambson (Johnson Matthey) to Mr. Tausche (TÜV SÜD) – contains weight of each com- pound in gauzes.	The issue has been clarified.
Corrective Action Request 8: We appreciate the discussion about impact on the GHG balance between the representa- tives. Nevertheless this fact finding meeting is not published for outstanding readers of the PDD. Please add some notes, topics or re- sults of the June19, 2007 meeting.	G.1.1	Description added to the section G. The protocol of stakeholder meeting held in Achema was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007 as a supporting document. On 19th of June 2007, a discussion among stake- holders was held in the premises of Achema Group in Vilnius. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Ministry of the Environment, National Green- house gas registry, Kaunas Regional department for environmental protection, AB Achema and several con- sulting companies involved in the JI project develop- ment. During the meeting, the N2O reduction JI project in GP	The issue has been clarified.



		plant was presented to the participants. The discussion involved issues related to the Directive 96/61/EC "con- cerning integrated pollution prevention and control" and draft reference document on Best Available Techniques for the "Manufacture of Large Volume Inorganic Chemi- cals – Ammonia, Acids and Fertilisers". The conclusion was made that JI mechanism is more	
		effective measure to curb N2O emissions than the application of the IPPC directive requirements. Therefore, participants of the meeting came to the conclusion that the limit values for N2O emissions in the nitric acid production should not be introduced before year 2013.	
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Clarification Request 1: Please change in project title from GP Nitric acid aggregate to GP nitric acid plant.	A.1.1.	The title as well as in the text it is changed from "aggre- gate" to "plant".	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 2: During on-site audit the LoE from Lithuanian side had not been available. Please submit the acquired documents to hand of Assess- ment team leader.	A.3.2.	Lithuanian LoE submitted on 14.09.2007 to the valida- tor.	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 3:	A.4.1.1.	X Y coordinates added to A.4.1.4.	The issue has been clarified.
Please provide detailed coordinates (e.g. GPS) on the location within the PDD for easier identification of the project site.		Geographic coordinates of the factory site centre are: x=6105343 y=521432.	
Clarification Request 4:	A.4.6.1.	Explanation added to A.5.	The issue has been clarified.
As in PDD its considered that assent from the Lithuanian Environmental Investment Fund was taken into consideration in the decision making procedure, please explain the current		The ordinance no D1-183 of the Minister of Environ- ment of the Republic of Lithuania on 1 April 2006, ap- points Lithuanian Environmental Investment Fund to perform activities of the National Agency.	

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situation of public funding.		<ul> <li>According to the JI regulation:</li> <li>10. In order to make the decision specified in Par. 9, the Ministry of Environment shall submit the concept to the National Agency for evaluation.</li> <li>11. The National Agency shall take into account the criteria for the joint implementation of feasible priority projects listed in the Strategic Tracks, the preferences of the national strategic documents and conditions listed in the Regulations; further it shall evaluate the concept and, within 45 (forty-five) days, provide the Ministry of Environment with the conclusion concerning acceptability of the concept of the provided Project and its further development.</li> </ul>	
<b>Clarification Request 5:</b> What proofs are available that there has already been regular operation on Dec 31, 2005? During on-site mission AB Achema confirmed that commercial production started in January 2004. Nevertheless fitting documents e.g. production log sheets from 2004 had not been available on-site. Please present fitting documents for some representative month.	B.1.1.4.	<ul> <li>There are 3 documents available, that confirm start of the operation:</li> <li>1. Operation ordinance – PDF file name "Operation ordinances".</li> <li>2. Gauze reception protocol -PDF file name "Reception protocols I campaign 2004"</li> <li>3. Installation protocol - PDF file name: "Installation-dismantling protocols I campaign 2004"</li> </ul>	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 6: Please show proofs about the historical Op- erating hours for to define the permitted range of OH during baseline campaign.	D.1.1.3.	The start/end dates are stated in the operation ordi- nances (summary in excel file). However start/end dates do not reflect the exact number of operating hours as during the operation some maintenance stops are also made. Email from Mr. Michael Lambson (John- son Matthey) to Mr. Tausche (TÜV SÜD) contains exact number of operating hours of each campaign. This number is consistent with records in Achema's Regen- eration unit operator's book. The book is available on	The issue has been clarified.

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		request; however, it does not contain any signatures or approvals as it is made only by the operator's initiative.	
Clarification Request 7: Please explain the obviously differing length in campaign 1 and 2 compared with cam- paign 3 and 4	D.1.1.3.	Due to lack of experience with new technology shorter lifespan gauzes were ordered for first campaign. Stop- ping and launching of the plant for maintenance nega- tively affects the gauzes. For the first campaign it was needed quite often. While having more experience, gauzes for the second and third campaign were or- dered with gradually longer lifespan. The campaign length was also planed to have maintenance period during the summer (all campaigns). It is not possible to stop the plant during the cold season – because many lines are frozen in such case.	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 8: Please show proofs about the historical Nitric acid production for to define the permitted range of NAP during baseline campaign.	D.1.1.4.	The documents on historical nitric acid production were submitted to the validator on September 14, 2007.	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 9: Please explain why historical data for TSG are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that TSG of the historical campaigns had been inside de- sign data range.	D.1.1.5	TSG is available from January 20, 2005, measured once a month in 2005, and once a 2 months in 2006- 2007. Earlier data was not recorded. The electronic version of the data was produced from the paper data sheets and was submitted to the validator on Septem- ber 14, 2007. Paper data sheets are available onsite at AB Achema. It should be noted that historical data for this parameter is not required by AM0034.	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 10:D.1.1.6.Please explain why historical data for PSG are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that PSG of the historical campaigns had been inside de- sign data range.D.1.1.6.		PSG is available from January 20, 2005, measured once a month in 2005, and once a 2 months in 2006- 2007. Earlier data was not recorded. The electronic version of the data was produced from the paper data sheets and was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007. Paper data sheets are available onsite at	The issue has been clarified.

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		AB Achema. It should be noted that historical data for this parameter is not required by AM0034.	
Clarification Request 11: Please explain why historical data for AFR are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that AFR of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	D.1.1.7.	AFR is added to the D.1.1.3 table, and also historical data including AFR together with permitted range calculation was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007. Description added to B.1 of the PDD: The AM0034 requires determining the normal ranges for operating conditions for the following parameters: (i) oxidation temperature; (ii) oxidation pressure; (iii) ammonia gas flow rate, and (iv) air input flow rates. To calculate the "permitted range" for oxidation temperature and pressure, a historical data method was chosen. It should be noted that neither legislation in Lithuania nor the internal regulation of AB Achema requires keeping records of the concerned data longer than for 1 year. Therefore, historical data in concern is available from 01.04.2005 in records for every 12 hours. According to the AM0034 methodology, the permitted range of operating temperature and pressure is assigned as the historical minimum (value of parameter below which 2.5% of the observation lie) and maximum operating conditions (value of parameter exceeded by 2.5% of observations).	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 12: Please explain why historical data for AIFR are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that AIFR of the historical campaigns had been inside de- sign data range.	D.1.1.8.	AIFR together with other parameters is available from 2005/04/01 – i.e. mid of the 2 campaign. Earlier data was recorded but not preserved as under the internal rules, records must be kept only for 1 year. The electronic version of the data was produced from the paper data sheets and together with permitted range calculation was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007. Paper sheets are available onsite at AB Achema. Description added to B.1 of the PDD (see also B.6.2.8. of the	The issue has been clarified.

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		protocol for more information).	
Clarification Request 13: Please explain why historical data for OT are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that OT of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	D.1.1.9	OT together with other parameters is available from 2005/04/01 – i.e. mid of the 2 campaign. Earlier data was recorded but not preserved as under the internal rules, records must be kept only for 1 year. The electronic version of the data was produced from the paper data sheets and together with permitted range calculation was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007. Paper sheets are available onsite at AB Achema. Description added to B.1 of the PDD (see also B.6.2.8. of the protocol for more information).	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 14: Please explain why historical data for OP are not available and please confirm this non- availability. Please add proofs that OP (or in analogy the air pressure before the mixing chamber of the 4 reactor of the historical campaigns had been inside design data range.	D.1.1.11	OP together with other parameters is available from April 01, 2005 – i.e. mid of the 2 campaign. Earlier data was recorded but not preserved as under the internal rules, records must be kept only for 1 year. The elec- tronic version of the data was produced from the paper data sheets and together with permitted range calcula- tion was submitted to the validator on 14.09.2007. Pa- per sheets are available onsite at AB Achema. Descrip- tion added to B.1 of the PDD (see also D.1.1.7 of the protocol for more information).	The issue has been clarified.
Clarification Request 15: Please show the project's Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts (EIA) or submit a proof why an EIA within this project will not be applicable	F.1.1.	Description added to F1. No negative environmental impacts are envisioned. Lithuanian Law on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) requires EIA to be carried out for the planned economic activity. Planned economic activity is de- scribed in the law as "modification of the production process and modernisation or replacement of the tech- nology, modification of production method, alteration of production quantity or production type" Representa- tives of AB Achema have had discussions with officials of regional environmental protection department. The	The issue has been clarified.

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	conclusion was made that installation of the secondary catalyst is not to be considered as economic activity as it does not alter production level nor makes modification to production lines. Therefore no EIA or selection pro- cedure for EIA is required.	

#### Table 3 Unresolved Corrective Action and Clarification Requests (in case of denials)

Clarifications and / or corrective action requests by validation team	ld. of CAR/CR	Explanation of Conclusion for Denial
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Determination of the JI Project:

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# **Annex 2: Information Reference List**

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Reference No.	Document or Type of Information			
1	UNFCCC homepage http://www.unfccc.int including the Joint Implementation section ji.unfccc.int			
2	Approved methodology AM0034 / Version 02			
3	Approved methodology AM0028 / Version 04.1			
4	Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality / Version 03			
5	Project Design Document for CDM project "Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric acid plant in AB Achema in Lithuania", dated June 29, 2007, as available http://ji.unfccc.int/JI_Projects/DB			
6	On-site interviews conducted on July 03-04, 2007 in Kaunas region, Rukla county, Jonalaukis village, Lithuania by TÜV SÜD <u>Determination team:</u>			
	Mr Nikolaus Kröger TÜV SÜD, ghg I	ead auditor, technical expert (on-site mission)		
	Mr Thomas Kleiser TÜV SÜD, asse	ssment team leader (backoffice HQ)		
	Interviewed persons in Jonavas, Lithuania:			
	Mr Vaidotas Kuodys UAB COWI Balt	c, project manager		
	Mr Juozas Tunaitis AB Achema, Te	chnical director		
	Mr Andrejus Sostakas AB Achema, ma	nager of innovation center		
	Mr Tadas Kastanauskas UAB Koncernas	Achemas Grupe, ecologist		
	Mr Ramunas Pilsudskas AB Achema, de	outy hand of nitric acid plant		
	Mr Stasys Pakstys AB Achema, ins	trumentation department managing engineer		
8	AB Achema homepage http://www.achema.com/			
9	Project implementation program "Preliminari BI projekto" incl. time schedule submitted by Achema July 03-04, 2007			
10	Confirmation of Receipt: AB Achema / BASF Prozessanalysentechnik about e.g. briefing personal Achema on monitoring system,			
	briefing sample preparation of N2O etc. submitted by BASF May 05, 2007			
11	Printscreen of graphic trend June 26, 2007 to July 03, 2007			
12	General description of SCR technology submitted by provider Environmental Catalysts & Systems			
13	Declaration of conformity of measurement Instrumentatio	Declaration of conformity of measurement Instrumentation with the methodology AM0034 dated June 29, 2007 and submitted by		
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	BASF July 12, 2007.	
14	Lithuanian Letter of endorsement, LT/EN, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
15	Project implementation program incl. time schedule submitted by Achema July 03.2007	
16	Contract between AB Achema and BASF (for confidential insight on behalf of TÜV SÜD only), submitted by Achema July 03, 2007	
17	Gauze depreciation reports 2004 to 2007, submitted to TÜV SÜD on July 27, 2007	
18	Protocol on further operation of PT gauzes with catchments system of "Grande Paroisse"LT/EN, submitted by Achema July 21, 2004 (including associated documents), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
19	Applications for Purchase (file: "Gauzes_orders.rar") LT (for confidential insight on behalf of TÜV SÜD only), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
20	Gauze receptions acts, LT (for confidential insight on behalf of TÜV SÜD only), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
21	Installation Dismantling Reports for I to IV campaign, LT, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
22	Reception protocols for I to IV campaign, LT, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
23	Operation ordinances AB Achema Grande Paroisse Agregao, LT, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
24	GP operation schedule, EN, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 04, 2007	
25	Stakeholder meeting protocol, LT/EN, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
26	GP Management regulation, LT/EN, submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
27	Historic production data - oxidation, with permitted range calculation (file: "GP historical_data"), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
28	Historic production data - stack gas, EN (file: "GP_historical_data_stack_gas"), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
29	Updated operation ordinances with IV campaign LT/EN (file: "Operation-ordinances", updated with the last ordinance concerning end of IV campaign and beginning of V campaign), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
30	Dismantling protocols for IV campaign, LT (updated file "Installation-dismantling protocols IV campaign 2007" with 2 dismantling protocols), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
31	Reception protocols V campaign, LT (file "Reception protocols V campaign 2008"), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
32	Installation protocols for V campaign, LT (file: "Installation-dismantling protocols V campaign 2008"), submitted to TÜV SÜD on September 14, 2007	
33	Comment to JI-Project 0064, submitted July 20, 2007 by Dr. Karschunke of Umweltbundesamt, Deutsche Emissionshandelsstelle	
	(DEHSt), Bismarckstrasse 1, D-14193 Berlin, Federal Republic of Germany	
34	1996 Revised IPCC Guidelines	

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No.	
35	IPCC Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management 2000
36	Final Project Design Document for CDM project "Nitrous Oxide Emission Reduction Project at GP Nitric acid plant in AB Achema in
	Lithuania", version 10.0 dated December 12, 2008
37	Excerpt of revised IPCC Permit No 2/15 (IPPC Permit issue date December 28, 2004; IPCC Permit revision date April 30, 2008)
	submitted by AB Achema at October 27, 2008 (official translations)