



# VERIFICATION REPORT VEMA S.A.

VERIFICATION OF THE  
“METHANE LEAKS REDUCTION AND  
IMPLEMENTATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY  
MEASURES AT TECHNOLOGICAL EQUIPMENT  
OF PUBLIC JOINT STOCK COMPANY  
“NATIONAL JOINT STOCK COMPANY  
“CHORNOMORNAFTOGAZ”

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**Summary:**  
 Bureau Veritas Certification has made the third periodic verification of the project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz", project of VEMA S.A. located in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the Black Sea shelf and the Azov Sea shelf, Ukraine, and applying the JI specific approach, on the basis of UNFCCC criteria for the JI, as well as criteria given to provide for consistent project operations, monitoring and reporting. UNFCCC criteria refer to Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, the JI rules and modalities and the subsequent decisions by the JI Supervisory Committee, as well as the host country criteria.

The verification scope is defined as a periodic independent review and ex post determination by the Accredited Independent Entity of the monitored reductions in GHG emissions during defined verification period, and consisted of the following three phases: i) desk review of the monitoring report against the project design and monitoring plan; ii) follow-up interviews with project stakeholders; iii) resolution of outstanding issues and the issuance of the final verification report and opinion. The overall verification, from Contract Review to Verification Report & Opinion, was conducted using Bureau Veritas Certification internal procedures.

The first output of the verification process is a list of Clarification Request and Corrective Actions Requests (CR and CAR), presented in Appendix A.

In summary, Bureau Veritas Certification confirms that the project is implemented as planned and described in approved project design documents. Installed equipment being essential for generating emission reduction runs reliably and is calibrated appropriately. The monitoring system is in place and the project is generating GHG emission reductions. The GHG emission reduction is calculated accurately and without material errors, omissions, or misstatements, and the issued totalize 790 733 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent for the monitoring period 01/07/2012 – 31/12/2012.

Our opinion relates to the project's GHG emissions and resulting GHG emission reductions reported and related to the approved project baseline and monitoring, and its associated documents.

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## Abbreviations

AIE	Accredited Independent Entity
BVC	Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS
CAR	Corrective Action Request
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CL	Clarification Request
CO <sub>2</sub>	Carbon Dioxide
DVM	Determination and Verification Manual
ERU	Emission Reduction Unit
FAR	Forward Action Request
GHG	Green House Gas(es)
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
JI	Joint Implementation
JISC	Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee
MP	Monitoring Plan
MR	Monitoring Report
DFP	Designated Focal Point
QA/QC	Quality Assurance/Quality Control
PDD	Project Design Document
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention for Climate Change



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## 1 INTRODUCTION

VEMA S.A. has commissioned Bureau Veritas Certification to verify the emissions reductions of its JI project “Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company “National Joint Stock Company “Chornomornaftogaz” (hereafter called “the project”) at the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the Black Sea shelf and the Sea of Azov shelf, Ukraine.

This report summarizes the findings of the verification of the project, performed on the basis of UNFCCC criteria, as well as criteria given to provide for consistent project operations, monitoring and reporting.

### 1.1 Objective

Verification is the periodic independent review and ex post determination by the Accredited Independent Entity of the monitored reductions in GHG emissions during defined verification period.

The objective of verification can be divided in Initial Verification and Periodic Verification.

UNFCCC criteria refer to Article 6 of the Kyoto Protocol, the JI rules and modalities and the subsequent decisions by the JI Supervisory Committee, as well as the host country criteria.

### 1.2 Scope

The verification scope is defined as an independent and objective review of submitted monitoring report and the determined project design document including the project’s baseline study and monitoring plan and other relevant documents. The information in these documents is reviewed against Kyoto Protocol requirements, UNFCCC rules and associated interpretations.

The verification is not meant to provide any consulting towards the Client. However, stated requests for clarifications, corrective and/or forward actions may provide input for improvement of the project monitoring towards reductions in the GHG emissions.

### 1.3 Verification Team

The verification team consists of the following personnel:

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## **2 METHODOLOGY**

The overall verification, from Contract Review to Verification Report & Opinion, was conducted using Bureau Veritas Certification internal procedures.

In order to ensure transparency, a verification protocol was customized for the project, according to the version 01 of the Joint Implementation Determination and Verification Manual, issued by the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee at its 19 meeting on 04/12/2009. The protocol shows, in a transparent manner, criteria (requirements), means of verification and the results from verifying the identified criteria. The verification protocol serves the following purposes:

- It organizes, details and clarifies the requirements a JI project is expected to meet;
- It ensures a transparent verification process where the verifier will document how a particular requirement has been verified and the result of the verification.

The completed verification protocol is enclosed in Appendix A to this report.

### **2.1 Review of Documents**

The Monitoring Report (MR) submitted by VEMA S.A. and additional background documents related to the project design and baseline, i.e. country Law, Project Design Document (PDD), JI specific approach developed in accordance with Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring, Host party criteria, Kyoto Protocol, Clarifications on Verification Requirements to be Checked by an Accredited Independent Entity were reviewed.



The verification findings presented in this report relate to the Monitoring Report version 01 dated 22/01/2013, the Monitoring Report version 02 dated 11/02/2013, and project as described in the determined PDD.

## 2.2 Follow-up Interviews

On 28/02/2013 Bureau Veritas Certification during site visit performed interviews with project stakeholders to confirm selected information and to resolve issues identified in the document review. Representatives of VEMA S.A. and Public Joint Stock Company “National Joint Stock Company “Chornomornaftogas” were interviewed (see section 5 References). The main topics of the interviews are summarized in Table 1 below.

**Table 1 Interview topics**

Interviewed organization	Interview topics
Public Joint Stock Company “National Joint Stock Company “Chornomornaftogas”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Organizational structure</li> <li>➤ Responsibilities and authorities</li> <li>➤ Training of personnel</li> <li>➤ Quality management procedures and technology</li> <li>➤ Implementation of equipment (records)</li> <li>➤ Metering equipment control</li> <li>➤ Metering record keeping system, database</li> <li>➤ Monitoring procedure</li> </ul>
VEMA S.A.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Baseline methodology</li> <li>➤ Monitoring plan</li> <li>➤ Monitoring report</li> <li>➤ Deviations from PDD</li> <li>➤ Emission reduction calculation</li> </ul>

## 2.3 Resolution of Clarification, Corrective and Forward Action Requests

The objective of this phase of the verification is to raise the requests for corrective actions and clarification and any other outstanding issues that needed to be clarified for Bureau Veritas Certification positive conclusion on the GHG emission reduction calculation.

If the Verification Team, in assessing the monitoring report and supporting documents, identifies issues that need to be corrected, clarified or improved with regard to the monitoring requirements, it should raise these issues and inform the project participants of these issues in the form of:

(a) Corrective Action Request (CAR), requesting the project participants to correct a mistake that is not in accordance with the monitoring plan;



(b) Clarification Request (CL), requesting the project participants to provide additional information for the Verification Team to assess compliance with the monitoring plan;

(c) Forward Action Request (FAR), informing the project participants of an issue, relating to the monitoring that needs to be reviewed during the next verification period.

The Verification Team will make an objective assessment as to whether the actions taken by the project participants, if any, satisfactorily resolve the issues raised, if any, and should conclude its findings of the verification.

To guarantee the transparency of the verification process, the concerns raised are documented in more detail in the verification protocol in Appendix A.

### **3 VERIFICATION CONCLUSIONS**

In the following sections, the conclusions of the verification are stated.

The findings from the desk review of the original monitoring documents and the findings from interviews during the follow up visit are described in the Verification Protocol in Appendix A.

The Clarification Request and Corrective Action Requests are stated, where applicable, in the following sections and are further documented in the Verification Protocol in Appendix A. The verification of the Project resulted in 2 Corrective Action Requests and 1 Clarification Request.

The number between brackets at the end of each section corresponds to the DVM paragraph.

#### **3.1 Remaining issues and FARs from previous verifications**

There aren't any remaining CLs, CARs and FARs from previous verifications.

#### **3.2 Project approval by Parties involved (90-91)**

The project was approved by the host Party (Ukraine) - the Letter of Approval No. 1271/23/7 dated 17/05/2012 issued by the State Environmental Investment Agency of Ukraine. The project was also approved by the party – buyer of the emission reduction units





(Switzerland) - Letter of Approval No. J294-0485 dated 14/05/2012 issued by the Federal Office for the Environment FOEN of Switzerland.

The abovementioned written approvals are unconditional.

The identified areas of concern as to project approval by Parties involved, project participants response and BV Certification's conclusion are described in Appendix A.

### **3.3 Project implementation (92-93)**

The JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" main goal is implementing of the program of technical improvement and rehabilitation of the natural gas production, storage, preparation and transportation system, the introduction of advanced technologies for transition to a higher level of transportation, measurement and storage of natural gas.

Project scenario of regarded JI project is based on the measures of new energy efficient equipment implementation, and a list of measures aimed at reducing emissions from natural gas leaks in elements of the gas transportation system. The leaks at technological equipment of PJSC "NJSC "Chornomornaftogaz" are to be significantly reduced due to the JI project measures realization and execution of constant monitoring of potential sources of leaks and prevention of their occurrence.

Project activity is realized according to the schedule of JI project implementation that was stated in the PDD version 02. All details about installed project equipment for the monitoring period are described in the monitoring report (MR) and in supporting document 1 to the MR.

Project activity is based on repair and replacement of gas fitting and equipment of natural gas extraction, preparation, storage, and distribution systems of PJSC "NJSC "Chornomornaftogaz". Also, for the monitoring period project activity was aimed in further investigation and maintenance all gas equipment and fitting that were repaired due to the project activity implementation.

Gas equipment repaired in previous years are checked in a regular frequency as anticipated by monitoring plan. This activity is needed for preventative measures to eliminate leaks sources.

According to the monitoring plan approved in the PDD, current repair of gas equipment is carried out once per year and technical maintenance is performed once per six months.



As stated in the monitoring report, GHG emission reductions were achieved due to the JI project activity implementation, and the amount of the emission reductions (ER) for the monitoring period 01/07/2012 – 31/12/2012 is equal 790 733 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent that is slightly lower than anticipated by PDD for the same monitoring period.

No revision or deviation from the PDD for regarded monitoring period are occur.

The identified areas of concern as to project implementation, project participants response and BV Certification's conclusion are described in Appendix A (refer to CAR01 and CL01).

### **3.4 Compliance of the monitoring plan with the monitoring methodology (94-98)**

The monitoring occurred in accordance with the monitoring plan included in the PDD version 02 regarding which the determination has been deemed final. According to the PDD, selection of monitoring approach was made in compliance with "Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring". The project developer used JI specific approach for establishing the monitoring. The JI specific approach of the JI project was developed based on approved CDM methodology AM0023 "Leak reduction from natural gas pipeline compressor or gate stations" (version 04.0.0). Collection of all key parameters required to calculate greenhouse gas emissions is undertaken in compliance with the established practice of the Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas" to meter methan leaks and environmental impacts.

For calculating the emission reductions key factors, such as global warming potential of CH<sub>4</sub>, gas pressure, gas temperature, concentration of methane in the sample, number of operation hours of equipment where leak was detected during the year, uncertainty range for the flow rate measurement method applied to physical leak, etc. as well as risks associated with the JI project were taken into account, as appropriate.

Data sources used for calculating emission reductions, such as calibrated measurement equipment, IPCC, approved methodology, and national standards are clearly identified, reliable and transparent. On site responsible persons register data from the measurement equipments and fixed monitoring data to special reporting form and logbooks. Moreover, there is electronic database. In detail, registration of monitoring parameters at the enterprise is conducted in accordance with identified procedure of data collection. As per situation, JI working group coordinates the project activity and performance of monitoring procedure. Secretary, engineer, technical engineer, and metrologist of PJSC



“NJSC “Chornomornaftogas” are reporting to the JI working group. And JI working group transfer monitoring information to the VEMA S.A. representatives for processing and preparation the periodic monitoring reports.

In general, all roles and responsibilities connected with JI project at PJSC “NJSC “Chornomornaftogas” are established in accordance with procedure described in section D “Monitoring plan” of the registered PDD version 02 dated 05/04/2012.

Global Warming potential of CH<sub>4</sub> is selected by carefully balancing accuracy and reasonableness, and appropriately justified of the choice.

The calculation of emission reductions is based on conservative assumptions and the most plausible scenarios in a transparent manner.

The identified areas of concern as to compliance of the monitoring plan with the monitoring methodology, project participants response and BV Certification’s conclusion are described in Appendix A (refer to CAR02).

### **3.5 Revision of monitoring plan (99-100)**

The monitoring plan of JI project that established in the PDD version 02 has no revision or deviation in the monitoring period 01/07/2012-31/12/2012. Thus, this section is not applicable.

### **3.6 Data management (101)**

As a result of site visit, documents revision, and verification process at all there is concluded that the data and their sources, provided in monitoring report, are clearly identified, reliable and transparent.

The implementation of data collection procedures is in accordance with the monitoring plan, including the quality control and quality assurance procedures. For instance, additional internal maintenance and control measures, participation of third parties, and troubleshooting procedures are conducted by the main specialists of PJSC “NJSC “Chornomornaftogas”. These procedures are described in detailed in the registered project design document.

According to the documents on measurement equipments and its calibration certificates, the function of the monitoring equipment, including its calibration status, is in order.

During site visit registration forms and logbooks with initial data were revised, and electronic database was checked and discovered as reliable and functional. Thus, the evidence and records used for the monitoring are maintained in a traceable manner.



The data collection and management system for the JI project “Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company “National Joint Stock Company “Chornomornaftogaz” is in accordance with monitoring plan that is registered in the PDD.

The identified areas of concern as to the data management, project participants response and BV Certification’s conclusion are described in Appendix A.

### **3.7 Verification regarding programmes of activities (102-110)**

Not applicable.

## **4 VERIFICATION OPINION**

Bureau Veritas Certification has performed initial and first periodic verification of the project “Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company “National Joint Stock Company “Chornomornaftogaz” in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the Black Sea shelf and the Sea of Azov shelf, Ukraine, which applies the JI specific approach developed in accordance with the Guidance on Criteria for Baseline Setting and Monitoring. The verification was performed on the basis of UNFCCC criteria and host country criteria and also on the criteria given to provide for consistent project operations, monitoring and reporting.

The verification consisted of the following three phases: i) desk review of the monitoring report against project design and monitoring plan; ii) follow-up interviews with project stakeholders; iii) resolution of outstanding issues and the issuance of the final verification report and opinion.

NJSC «Chornomornaftogaz» management is responsible for the preparation of data which serve as the basis for estimation of GHG emission reductions. VEMA S.A provides NJSC «Chornomornaftogaz» with consultative support in the issues relating to organization of data collection and is responsible for developing the monitoring report based on the Project Monitoring Plan included in the final PDD version 02.

Bureau Veritas Certification verified the Project Monitoring Report version 01 dated 28/01/2013 and version 02 dated 05/03/2013 for the reporting period as indicated below. Bureau Veritas Certification confirms that the project is implemented as planned and described in approved project design documents. Installed equipment being essential for



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generating emission reduction runs reliably and is calibrated appropriately. The monitoring system is in place and the project is generating GHG emission reductions.

Bureau Veritas Certification can confirm that the GHG emission reduction is accurately calculated and is free of material errors, omissions, or misstatements. Our opinion relates to the project's GHG emissions and resulting GHG emissions reductions reported and related to the approved project baseline and monitoring, and its associated documents. Based on the information we have seen and evaluated, we confirm, with a reasonable level of assurance, the following statement:

Reporting period: From 01/07/2012 to 31/12/2012

Baseline emissions	: 835 233	tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
Project emissions	: 44 500	tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent
Emission Reductions (2008)	: 790 733	tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent

Total amount of emission reductions for the monitoring period from 01/07/2012 to 31/12/2012 is 790 733 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent.

Emission reductions, project emissions and baseline emissions which are stated above are rounded by monitoring report developers to the whole figure (1t) and are based on calculations which are demonstrated in excel file attached to the monitoring report.

## 5 REFERENCES

### Category 1 Documents:

Documents provided by VEMA S.A. that relate directly to the GHG components of the project.

/1/	PDD of the JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" version 02 dated 05/04/2012;
/2/	Monitoring report of JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" for the monitoring period 01/07/2012 – 31/12/2012 version 01 dated 22/01/2013;
/3/	Monitoring report of JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" for the monitoring period 01/07/2012 – 31/12/2012 version 02 dated 11/02/2013;
/4/	Determination Report # UKRAINE-det/0415/2011 dated 06/04/2012 of JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz";
/5/	Letter of Approval # 1271/23/7 dated 17/05/2012 of the JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" issued by the State Environmental Investment Agency of Ukraine;
/6/	Letter of Approval # J294-0485 dated 14/05/2012 of the JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" issued by the Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN) of Switzerland.

### Category 2 Documents:

Background documents related to the design and methodologies employed in the design or other reference documents.

/1/	Protocol # 14 of the working group meeting of JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz" dated 02/07/2012
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/2/	Registration card of degassing well interferometer type ШИ-11, ser. # 300007
/3/	Registration card of gas indication, ser. # 13646
/4/	Registration card of gas indication, ser. # 1120
/5/	Registration card of gas indication, ser. # 962 dated 20/05/2004
/6/	Report of air protection for the third quarter 2012. Form # 2-TP (the air)
/7/	Report of air protection for the fourth quarter 2012. Form # 2-TP (the air)
/8/	Permit # 122700000/61 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 10/12/2007. It is valid for 5 years, from 10/12/2007 to 31/12/2012 (East Crimea oil production unit of NJSC "Chornomornaftogas")
/9/	Permit # 110100000/106 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 25/02/2008. It is valid from 25/02/2008 to 25/02/2013
/10/	Permit # 111900000/77 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 18/04/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 18/04/2008 to 30/06/2013
/11/	Permit # 1101166000/33 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 21/04/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 21/04/2008 to 30/06/2013
/12/	Permit # 125600000/17 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 05/05/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 05/05/2008 to 05/05/2013
/13/	Permit # 110600000/36 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 25/06/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 25/06/2008 to 30/06/2013
/14/	Permit # 110100000/222 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 26/12/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 26/12/2008 to 31/12/2013
/15/	Permit # 125600000/34 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 30/12/2008. It is valid for 5 years, from 30/12/2008 to 30/12/2013
/16/	Permit # 125600000/42 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 13/04/2010. It is valid for 5 years, from 13/04/2010 to 30/06/2015 (tap unit, Ocheretai bay of NJSC "Chornomornaftogas")
/17/	Permit # 125600000/43 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 13/04/2010. It is valid for 5 years, from 13/04/2010 to 30/06/2015 (complex gas preparation unit Glebovka of NJSC "Chornomornaftogas")
/18/	Permit # 125600000/44 on pollutant emission into the air by stationary sources dated 13/04/2010. It is valid for 5 years, from 13/04/2010 to 30/06/2015 (management unit of underground gas storage of NJSC "Chornomornaftogas")




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/19/	Order # 246-пр of approval of the period of monitoring documents storage dated 23/05/2012
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**Persons interviewed:**

List persons interviewed during the verification or persons that contributed with other information that are not included in the documents listed above.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>
/1/	Rostyslav Ilnytskyi	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	First Deputy Chairman of the Board, Chief Engineer;
/2/	Volodymyr Iershov	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Head of preparation production management
/3/	Oleg Gryn	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Head of production management
/4/	Oleksandr Sigitov	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Chief serviceman
/5/	Kostiantyn Sereda	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Head of production and technical management department
/6/	Ivan Deinega	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Chief metrologist of metrology service
/7/	Leile Kemalova	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Deputy Head of production and technical management department
/8/	Grygorii Gorobets	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Chief engineer of gas production management;
/9/	Vasyl Kuchak	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Chief engineer of underground gas storage management;
/10/	Oleg Ochkan	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogas"	Head of production and technical service of pipeline management;
/11/	Volodymyr Rybalkin	Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company	Deputy head of Marine Stationary Platform 17.





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## APPENDIX A: PROJECT VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

**Table 1 Check list for verification, according to the JOINT IMPLEMENTATION DETERMINATION AND VERIFICATION MANUAL (Version 02)**

DVM Paragraph	Check Item	Initial finding	Draft Conclusion	Final Conclusion
<b>Project approvals by Parties involved</b>				
90	Has the DFPs of at least one Party involved, other than the host Party, issued a written project approval when submitting the first verification report to the secretariat for publication in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, at the latest?	All Parties involved in the JI project issued written project approvals. The project was approved by the host Party (Ukraine) - the Letter of Approval No. 1271/23/7 dated 17/05/2012 issued by the State Environmental Investment Agency of Ukraine. The project was also approved by the party – buyer of the emission reduction units (Switzerland) - Letter of Approval No. J294-0485 dated 14/05/2012 issued by the Federal Office for the Environment FOEN of Switzerland.	OK	OK
91	Are all the written project approvals by Parties involved unconditional?	All LoAs of regarded JI project are unconditional.	OK	OK
<b>Project implementation</b>				
92	Has the project been implemented in accordance with the PDD regarding which the determination has been deemed	As a result of the verification process, the JI project is implemented in accordance with the PDD version 02 which has been deemed final.	<b>CAR 01</b> <b>CL 01</b>	OK OK



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DVM Paragraph	Check Item	Initial finding	Draft Conclusion	Final Conclusion
	final and is so listed on the UNFCCC JI website?	<p>As a matter of fact, implementation of the energy saving measures is realized mainly according to project schedule.</p> <p>Based on the provided documents and results of the site visit, the JI project is generating emission reductions since 01/07/2012.</p> <p>In the Monitoring Report stated that the achieved amount of emission reduction for the monitoring period 01/07/2012 – 31/12/2012 is 790 733 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent.</p> <p>On the whole, the JI project activities are conducted according to the Project Design Documents.</p> <p><b>CAR 02.</b> Please indicate in the monitoring report the scope of considered JI project.</p> <p><b>CL 01.</b> Please clarify a reason of difference of emission reductions achieved for the monitoring period 01/07/2012-31/12/2012 and stated in the MR and the value of emission reductions estimated in the PDD version 02 for the same period.</p>		
93	What is the status of operation of the project during the monitoring period?	Monitoring report indicated the current status of the project activity implementation. Based on provided	OK	OK



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DVM Paragraph	Check Item	Initial finding	Draft Conclusion	Final Conclusion
		materials, there is known that all project equipments were operational in the reporting period and generating emission reductions. Also, refer to section 92 above.		
<b>Compliance with monitoring plan</b>				
94	Did the monitoring occur in accordance with the monitoring plan included in the PDD regarding which the determination has been deemed final and is so listed on the UNFCCC JI website?	The monitoring procedure at PJSC "NJSC "Chornomornaftogaz" is strictly following the monitoring plan included in the PDD version 02 dated 05/04/2012 regarding which the determination has been deemed final. Data used for calculation of emissions reduction based on information that confirmed by PJSC "NJSC "Chornomornaftogaz" documents.	OK	OK
95 (a)	For calculating the emission reductions or enhancements of net removals, were key factors, e.g. those listed in 23 (b) (i)-(vii) above, influencing the baseline emissions or net removals and the activity level of the project and the emissions or removals as well as risks associated with the project taken into account, as	According to reviewed information, there are taken into account key factors such as global warming potential of CH <sub>4</sub> , gas pressure, gas temperature, concentration of methane in the sample, number of operation hours of equipment where leak was detected during the year, uncertainty range for the flow rate measurement method applied to physical leak, etc. and other risks associated with the	OK	OK



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	appropriate?	implementation of the project activity that can influence to the baseline and project emission, and emission reduction due to the JI project.		
95 (b)	Are data sources used for calculating emission reductions or enhancements of net removals clearly identified, reliable and transparent?	Data sources used for calculating emission reductions are clearly identified, reliable and transparent. On site responsible persons register data from the measurement equipments and fixed it to special reporting forms and logbooks of PJSC "NJSC "Chornomornaftogaz". Moreover, electronic databases of monitoring data are fulfilled according to the JI project monitoring procedure. All roles and responsibilities are described in the Monitoring report.	OK	OK
95 (c)	Are emission factors, including default emission factors, if used for calculating the emission reductions or enhancements of net removals, selected by carefully balancing accuracy and reasonableness, and appropriately justified of the choice?	No CO <sub>2</sub> emission factor is used for emission reduction calculation of JI project "Methane leaks reduction and implementation of energy efficiency measures at technological equipment of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz".	OK	OK
95 (d)	Is the calculation of emission	The calculation of emission reductions is	<b>CAR 02</b>	OK



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	<p>reductions or enhancements of net removals based on conservative assumptions and the most plausible scenarios in a transparent manner?</p>	<p>based on conservative assumptions and the most plausible scenarios in a transparent manner as was approved in the PDD. Namely, JI specific approach on the basis of approved methodology AM0023 version 04.0.0. is used regarding monitoring and emission reduction assessment that has been developed in accordance with the Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring.</p> <p>As a result of documents revision, all data connected with estimation of emission reduction are consistent through the Monitoring report and excel spreadsheets with calculation.</p> <p><b>CAR 02.</b> Please check and correct the formula of project emissions calculation according to registered PDD.</p>		
<b>Applicable to JI SSC projects only</b>				
96	<p>Is the relevant threshold to be classified as JI SSC project not exceeded during the monitoring period on an annual average basis?</p> <p>If the threshold is exceeded, is the maximum emission reduction</p>	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable



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	level estimated in the PDD for the JI SSC project or the bundle for the monitoring period determined?			
<b>Applicable to bundled JI SSC projects only</b>				
97 (a)	Has the composition of the bundle not changed from that is stated in F-JI-SSCBUNDLE?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
97 (b)	If the determination was conducted on the basis of an overall monitoring plan, have the project participants submitted a common monitoring report?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
98	If the monitoring is based on a monitoring plan that provides for overlapping monitoring periods, are the monitoring periods per component of the project clearly specified in the monitoring report? Do the monitoring periods not overlap with those for which verifications were already deemed final in the past?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>Revision of monitoring plan</b>				
<b>Applicable only if monitoring plan is revised by project participant</b>				



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99 (a)	Did the project participants provide an appropriate justification for the proposed revision?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
99 (b)	Does the proposed revision improve the accuracy and/or applicability of information collected compared to the original monitoring plan without changing conformity with the relevant rules and regulations for the establishment of monitoring plans?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
<b>Data management</b>				
101 (a)	Is the implementation of data collection procedures in accordance with the monitoring plan, including the quality control and quality assurance procedures?	Procedures of data collection are implemented in compliance with the approved monitoring plan. Measuring equipment, such as gas analysers, gas indicators, etc. is used for monitoring. Monitoring data of the project is monitored in compliance with scheduled frequency approved in the developed monitoring plan and monitoring procedure. The quality control and quality assurance procedures realised due to performing of additional internal maintenance and	OK	OK





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		checking measures, participation of third parties, and carrying out of troubleshooting procedures.		
101 (b)	Is the function of the monitoring equipment, including its calibration status, is in order?	<p>All project equipments were operating within the considered monitoring period. As a fact, the monitoring equipment has calibration. It is calibrated with periodic frequency (passport states the calibration frequency for every device) according to the national regulations.</p> <p>During site visit verification team received and reviewed passports and certificates on calibration of all measurement equipment that confirm the fact stated above. Detailed information about the equipment accuracy, calibration dates of the measurement devices, etc. is stated in the supporting document 2 to the Monitoring Report for the monitoring period 01/07/2012-31/12/2012.</p>	OK	OK
101 (c)	Are the evidence and records used for the monitoring maintained in a traceable manner?	Monitoring records are used for the emissions calculation and emission reductions estimation maintained in a traceable and transparent manner.	OK	OK
101 (d)	Is the data collection and management system for the	The data collection and management system for the project is in accordance	OK	OK



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	project in accordance with the monitoring plan?	with the approved monitoring plan. Implementation of monitoring system was checked during the site visit, and it was concluded that monitoring system is completely in accordance with the monitoring plan. This fact is also confirmed by the documented evidences of Public Joint Stock Company "National Joint Stock Company "Chornomornaftogaz".		
<b>Verification regarding programs of activities (additional elements for assessment)</b>				
102	Is any JPA that has not been added to the JI PoA not verified?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
103	Is the verification based on the monitoring reports of all JPAs to be verified?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
103	Does the verification ensure the accuracy and conservativeness of the emission reductions or enhancements of removals generated by each JPA?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
104	Does the monitoring period not overlap with previous monitoring periods?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
105	If the AIE learns of an erroneously included JPA, has	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable



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	the AIE informed the JISC of its findings in writing?			
<b>Applicable to sample-based approach only</b>				
106	<p>Does the sampling plan prepared by the AIE:</p> <p>(a) Describe its sample selection, taking into account that:</p> <p>(i) For each verification that uses a sample-based approach, the sample selection shall be sufficiently representative of the JPAs in the JI PoA such extrapolation to all JPAs identified for that verification is reasonable, taking into account differences among the characteristics of JPAs, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The types of JPAs;</li> <li>- The complexity of the applicable technologies and/or measures used;</li> <li>- The geographical location of each JPA;</li> <li>- The amounts of expected</li> </ul>	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable



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	emission reductions of the JPAs being verified; - The number of JPAs for which emission reductions are being verified; - The length of monitoring periods of the JPAs being verified; and - The samples selected for prior verifications, if any?			
107	Is the sampling plan ready for publication through the secretariat along with the verification report and supporting documentation?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
108	Has the AIE made site inspections of at least the square root of the number of total JPAs, rounded to the upper whole number? If the AIE makes no site inspections or fewer site inspections than the square root of the number of total JPAs, rounded to the upper whole number, then does the AIE provide a reasonable explanation	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable



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	and justification?			
109	Is the sampling plan available for submission to the secretariat for the JISC.s ex ante assessment? (Optional)	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
110	If the AIE learns of a fraudulently included JPA, a fraudulently monitored JPA or an inflated number of emission reductions claimed in a JI PoA, has the AIE informed the JISC of the fraud in writing?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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

Draft report clarifications and corrective action requests by verification team	Ref. to checklist question in table 1	Summary of project participant response	Verification team conclusion
<b>CAR 01.</b> Please indicate in the monitoring report the scope of considered JI project.	Table 1, 92	Scope (1) and scope (10) relate to JI project. The information provided according to the registered PDD.	Scopes of the project were indicated in the monitoring report. Issue is closed.
<b>CAR 02.</b> Please check and correct the formula of project emissions calculation according to registered PDD.	Table 1, 95 (d)	Formulae 1 used for project emissions calculation was corrected in compliance to the PDD.	Issue is closed.
<b>CL 01.</b> Please clarify a reason of difference of emission reductions achieved for the monitoring period 01/07/2012-31/12/2012 and stated in the MR and the value of emission reductions estimated in the PDD version 02 for the same period.	Table 1, 92	Estimation of emission reductions stated in the registered PDD was performed based on historical and forecasted data. Emission reductions calculation provided in the monitoring report was done using actual monitoring data for the monitoring period	According to clarification, issue is closed.



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<b>Draft report clarifications and corrective action requests by verification team</b>	<b>Ref. to checklist question in table 1</b>	<b>Summary of project participant response</b>	<b>Verification team conclusion</b>
		01/07/2012-31/12/2012. Currently, amount of emission reduction from the monitoring report is slightly lower than it was estimated in the final PDD. Please refer for details to MR and Supporting document 1.	