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- 1ST PERIODIC -

YARA MONTOIR NITRIC ACID PLANT

YARA MONTOIR N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT

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	21,653		21,653	15,323 (50,387 per year)
Summary of Verification Opinion:	<p>Yara Montoir Nitric Acid Plant has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program to carry out the 1st periodic verification of the project: "Yara Montoir N₂O Abatement Project", with regard to the relevant requirements for JI (Track 1) project activities. The project reduces GHG emissions due to reduction of N₂O emissions. This verification covers the period from 2010-09-12 to 2010-12-31 (including both days).</p> <p>In the course of the verification 5 Corrective Action Requests (CAR) and 2 Clarification Requests (CL) were raised and successfully closed. Furthermore 0 FARs are raised to improve the monitoring system in the future. The verification is based on the draft monitoring report, revised monitoring report, and the monitoring plan as set out in the registered PDD, the determination report, emission reduction calculation spreadsheet and supporting documents made available to the TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP by the project participant.</p> <p>As a result of this verification, the verifier confirms that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - all operations of the project are implemented and installed as planned and described in the project design document. - the monitoring plan is in accordance with the applied country specific methodology: Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques: "Réduction catalytique du N₂O dans des usines d'acide nitrique". - the installed equipment essential for measuring parameters required for calculating emission reductions are calibrated appropriately. - the monitoring system is in place and functional. The project has generated GHG emission reductions. <p>As the result of the 1st periodic verification, the verifier confirms that the GHG emission reductions are calculated without material misstatements in a conservative and appropriate manner. TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP herewith confirms that the project has achieved emission reductions in the above mentioned reporting period as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Emission reductions: 21,653 t CO₂e</p> <p>Including a deduction of 10% according to the Arrêté du 2 mars 2007.</p>			
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Abbreviations:

AIE	Accredited Independent Entity
AMS	Automated Measuring System
CA	Corrective Action / Clarification Action
CAR	Corrective Action Request
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CL	Clarification Request
CO₂	Carbon dioxide
CO₂e	Carbon dioxide equivalent
DVM	Determination and Verification Manual
ER	Emission Reduction
ERU	Emission Reduction Units
FAR	Forward Action Request
GHG	Greenhouse gas(es)
HnO₃	Nitric Acid
JI	Joint Implementation
MP	Monitoring Plan
MR	Monitoring Report
N₂O	Nitrous Oxide
PCS	Process Control System
PDD	Project Design Document
PP	Project Participant
QA/QC	Quality Assurance / Quality Control
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
XLS	Emission Reduction Calculation Spread Sheet



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1. INTRODUCTION

YARA Montoir NITRIC ACID PLANT (Yara France) has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program (CP) to carry out the 1st periodic verification of the project

“YARA MONTOIR N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT”

with regard to the relevant requirements for JI (Track 1) project activities. The verifiers have reviewed the implementation of the monitoring plan (MP) in the registered JI project number FR1000213¹.

GHG data for the monitoring period covering 2010-09-12 to 2010-12-31 was verified in detailed manner applying the set of requirements, audit practices and principles as required under the Determination and Verification Manual ^{/DVM/} of the UNFCCC.

This report summarizes the findings and conclusions of this 1st periodic verification of the above mentioned UNFCCC registered project activity.

1.1. Objective

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

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

1.2. Scope

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

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

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

¹ <http://ji.unfccc.int/JIITLProject/DB/TI8WEH10KLOWWD6VKENE03RDY64DVV/details>



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



2. GHG PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1. Project Characteristics

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

Table 2-1: Project Characteristics

Item	Data
Project title	Yara Montoir N ₂ O Abatement Project
JI Track	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Track 2 <input type="checkbox"/> JPA
Project size	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Scale <input type="checkbox"/> Small Scale
JI Approach	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JI Specific Approach <input type="checkbox"/> Approved CDM Methodology
Project Scope (according to UNFCCC sectoral scope numbers for CDM)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Energy Industries (renewable- /non-renewable sources)
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Energy distribution
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Energy demand
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Manufacturing industries
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 Chemical industry
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Construction
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Transport
	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Mining/Mineral production
	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 Metal production
	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Fugitive emissions from fuels (solid, oil and gas)
	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 Fugitive emissions from production and consumption of halocarbons and hexafluoride
	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Solvents use
	<input type="checkbox"/> 13 Waste handling and disposal
	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 Land-use, land-use change and forestry
	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Agriculture
Methodology:	<i>Project Domestique Methodology: "Catalytic reduction of N₂O at nitric acid plants"</i>
Technical Area(s):	Q (5.1 ¹⁾): N ₂ O (chemical process industries)
ITL Project ID No.:	FR1000113
Crediting period	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewable Crediting Period (7 y) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fixed Crediting Period (2.3 y) ²⁾

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

2.2. Project Verification History

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

Table 2-2: Project verification history

#	Item	Time	Status
1	Date of registration	2010-09-12 ²⁾	-
2	Start of crediting period	2010-09-12	-
3	1 st Monitoring period	2010-09-12 to 2010-12-31	Subject of this verification report

¹⁾ according to the CDM Accreditation Standard (Version 3)

²⁾ Date of registration is the date two month after submission of the full project documentation and request for LoA to the MEEDDM



2.3. Involved Parties and Project Participants

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

Table 2-3: Project Parties and project participants

Characteristic	Party	Project Participant
Host party	France	YARA France SAS YARA International ASA N.serve Environmental Services GmbH
Other Involved Party	Belgium	YARA France SAS

2.4. Project Location

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

Table 2-4: Project Location

No.	Project Location
Host Country:	France
Region:	Region North West, Department: Loire-Atlantique; Commune: Montoir-de-Bretagne
Project location:	Plant absorption tower and tail gas stack: 47°18'3 0.85"N, 2° 7'4.50"W Ammonia burner: 47°18'30.67"N, 2° 7'9.02"W

2.5. Technical Project Description

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

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

Table 2-5: Technical data of the plant

Parameter	Unit	Value
2 Ammonia Oxidation Reactors		
Plant type		3.4 medium pressure plant
Manufacturer	-	Uhde/Grande Paroisse
Start of commercial production	-	February 1972
Operating conditions as per specifications (trip point values)		
- Temperature (min/max):	°C	725- 925
- Pressure (max):	Bar	3.5
- Ammonia to Air ratio (max)	Vol.-%	12.5
Ammonia Oxidation Catalyst		
Manufacturer	-	K. A Rasmussen AS
Type	-	n.a.
Composition:	-	Pt-Rh-Pd
Absorber		
Design capacity per day (100 %)	tHNO ₃ /d	1,030
Design capacity per day (legal)	tHNO ₃ /d	1,030
Annual production (design)	days/year	340
Annual production (practice)	days/year	340
Secondary Catalyst		
Start of operation	-	May 2009
Manufacturer	-	YARA
Type	-	58-Y1
Composition:	-	cobalt (ii, iii) oxide dialuminium cobalt tetraoxide Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, Ce
Design efficiency N ₂ O reduction (guaranteed by supplier)	%	88-95 %
N₂O Analyzer (stack)		
Manufacturer	-	Dr. Födisch Umweltmesstechnik GmbH
Type	-	MCA 04
Measurement Principle	-	IR absorption
Stack volume flow rate measurement		
Manufacturer	-	Dr. Födisch Umweltmesstechnik GmbH
Type	-	FMD 99
Measurement Principle	-	Differential pressure

3. METHODOLOGY AND VERIFICATION SEQUENCE

3.1. Verification Steps

The verification consisted of the following steps:

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

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

Table 3.1: Verification sequence

Topic	Time
Assignment of verification	2010-12-22
On-site-visit	From 2011-01-31 till 2011-02-01
Draft reporting finalised	2011-07-01
Final reporting finalised	2011-07-15
Technical review finalised	2011-07-18

3.2. Contract review

To assure that

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



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

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

3.3. Appointment of team members and technical reviewers

On the basis of a competence analysis and individual availabilities a verification team, consistent of one team leader and 2 additional team members and 1 Trainee, was appointed. Furthermore also the personnel for the technical review and the final approval were determined.

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

Table 3-1: Involved Personnel

	Name	Company	Function ¹⁾	Qualification Status ²⁾	Scheme competence	Technical competence ⁴⁾	Host country Competence	Team Leading competence
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Winter, Rainer	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TL,	SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.1 (Q)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Winter, Stefan	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TM	SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Meyer, Sabine	TÜV NORD Cert GmbH	TM	LA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Speyer, Dirk	TÜV NORD Cert GmbH	T	TE	<input type="checkbox"/>	5.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Emilio Martin	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TR ³⁾	LA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Walter, Ulrich	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	TR ³⁾	A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5.1 (Q)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



	Name	Company	Function ¹⁾	Qualification Status ²⁾	Scheme competence	Technical competence ⁴⁾	Host country Competence	Team Leading competence
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Martin, Saalmann	TÜV Nord Cert GmbH	FA ³⁾	SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

¹⁾ TL: Team Leader; TM: Team Member, T: Trainee, TR: Technical review; FA: Final approval

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

³⁾ No team member

⁴⁾ As per S01-MU03 or S01-VA070 A2 (such as A, B, C.....)

3.4. Publication of the Monitoring Report

In accordance with decision 9/CMP.1 (§ 36) the draft monitoring report, as received from the project participants, has been made publicly available on the TÜV NORD Website www.global-warming.de during a 30 days period from 2011-03-11 to 2011-04-10. Comments received are taken into account in the course of the verification, if applicable. No comments were received.

3.5. Verification Planning

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

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

Risk analysis and detailed audit testing planning

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



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

Table A-1: GHG calculation procedures and management control testing / Detailed audit testing of residual risk areas and random testing				
Identification of potential reporting risk	Identification, assessment and testing of management controls	Areas of residual risks	Additional verification testing performed	Conclusions and Areas Requiring Improvement (including Forward Action Requests)
<i>The following potential risks were identified and divided and structured according to the possible areas of occurrence.</i>	<i>The potential risks of raw data generation have been identified in the course of the monitoring system implementation. The following measures were taken in order to minimize the corresponding risks. The following measures are implemented:</i>	<i>Despite the measures implemented in order to reduce the occurrence probability the following residual risks remain and have to be addressed in the course of every verification.</i>	<i>The additional verification testing performed is described. Testing may include: - Sample cross checking of manual transfers of data - Recalculation - Spreadsheet ‘walk throughs’ to check links and equations - Inspection of calibration and maintenance records for key equipment - Check sampling analysis results Discussions with process engineers who have detailed knowledge of process uncertainty/error bands.</i>	<i>Having investigated the residual risks, the conclusions should be noted here. Errors and uncertainties are highlighted.</i>

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

Project specific periodic verification checklist

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

² JISC 19 Annex 4

3.6. Desk review

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

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

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

3.7. On-site assessment

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

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

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

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

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



Table 3-4: Interviewed persons and interview topics

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

3.8. Draft verification reporting

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

3.9. Resolution of CARs, CLs and FARs

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

Corrective Action Requests (CARs) are issued, if:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3.10. Final reporting

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

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

3.11. Technical review

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

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

3.12. Final approval

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

After this step the request for issuance can be started.



4. VERIFICATION FINDINGS

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

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

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

Verification topic	No. of CAR	No. of CL	No. of FAR
A – Project Approvals	3	0	0
B – Project Implementation	1	0	0
C – Monitoring Plan Compliance	1	2	0
D – Monitoring Plan Revision	0	0	0
E – Data Management	0	0	0
SUM	5	2	0

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



Finding:	A1		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	Clarification is requested why Norway and Germany are considered as involved parties.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	Norway and Germany have been removed from the list of 'involved parties' in the table of section 2.1.		
IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	OK. Both parties Norway and Germany have been removed. Therefore CAR A1 has been closed out.		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements		

Finding:	A2		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	The investor party (Belgium) LoA is still pending.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	A footnote has been added on page 5 of the monitoring report explaining that an investor LoA has been applied for, but is still pending. A copy of the LoA will be made available to Tüv Nord as soon as possible.		
IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	OK. The LoA, dated 04 April 2011, (DPF Ref: NKC/FP/6) was issued by the Belgian National Climate Commission which is the Belgian Designated Focal Point as mentioned on the JI-SC website. Written information on investor LoA complies with track 1 requirements. The project participant Yara France SAS and the project title are clearly named on LoA. Therefore CAR A2 has been closed out.		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements		



Finding:	A3		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	As per French Letter of Approval (host country LoA) the crediting period of the project is limited to the 1 st Kyoto commitment period. The exact crediting period shall be indicated in the MR.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	<i>The exact crediting period of the project has now been indicated in section 1 as 2.3 years, in accordance with the host country LoA.</i>		
IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	OK. In the revised Monitoring Report the exact crediting period (2.3 years) is now included Therefore CL A3 has been closed out.		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements		

Finding:	B 4		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	A further detailed description of the project history (e.g. campaign data), production issues and key events regarding plant operation and AMS status should be included in the Monitoring Report.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	<i>A short table on key events at the plant and AMS status during the verification period has been added to annex 2.</i>		



Finding:	B 4
<p>IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>OK. The provided table on historical key events at the plant and AMS status has been included in annex 2 "Details on Events relevant for the Monitoring" of the revised Monitoring Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shutdown for annual maintenance and primary catalyst gauze change. Installation of two full new batches of N₂O abatement catalyst. - Re-start of plant and beginning of N₂O abatement project activity. - Shutdown for annual maintenance and primary catalyst gauze change. - PHD server undergoing maintenance. <p>Therefore CAR B4 has been closed out.</p>
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements</p>

Finding:	C5		
Classification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
<p>Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i></p>	<p>A simple plant diagram including the position of the Monitoring Equipments should be included in the Monitoring Report.</p>		
<p>Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i></p>	<p><i>A simple plant diagram including the position of the monitoring equipment has now been included in section 4.</i></p>		
<p>IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>The simple diagram depicting the main parts of the project and the monitoring equipments has been included in the revised Monitoring Report. The verification team confirms that this diagram reflects the real situation observed during the on-site visit. CAR C5 has been closed out.</p>		
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements</p>		



Finding:	C6		
Classification	<input type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	As per the "Projet Domestique Methodology" the parameter OP _h has to be monitored. This parameter is missing in Annex 1.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	The parameter OP has now been added to Annex 1 and has been included as a trip point parameter for the statistical analysis of the monitored data to determine plant operating hours (although this has no actual affect on the ERU calculation). The trip point value for OP has been added to section 5.3.3.		
IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i>	OK. All monitoring parameters as per the "Projet Domestique Methodology" incl. OP _h have been included in the revised MR. The verification team has crosschecked the ERU calculation ^{/XLS/} and confirms OP _h has no impact on ER results for this Monitoring Period. Therefore CL C6 has been closed out.		
Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements		

Finding:	C7		
Classification	<input type="checkbox"/> CAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CL	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR
Description of finding <i>Describe the finding in unambiguous style; address the context (e.g. section)</i>	The description of the applied measurement procedure for parameter NAP (metric tonnes of 100% concentrated nitric acid; P.5) is insufficient esp. as the concentration measurement is not mentioned.		
Corrective Action #1 <i>This section shall be filled by the PP. It shall address the corrective action taken in details.</i>	Additional details have been added to parameter 5 of Annex 1 regarding measurement and quality assurance procedures for NAP.		



Finding:	C7
<p>IAE Assessment #1 <i>The assessment shall encompass all open issues in annex A-1. In case of non-closure, additional corrective action and IAE assessments (#2, #3, etc.) shall be added.</i></p>	<p>The requested revision has been carried out. A more detailed description of the applied measurement procedure for NAP has been included in the revised MR in Annex 1. Additional supporting documents concerning applied measurement procedure for NAP and relevant quality assurance procedures were submitted to the verification team. Therefore CL C7 has been closed out.</p>
<p>Conclusion <i>Tick the appropriate checkbox</i></p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> To be checked during the first periodic verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate action was taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project documentation was corrected correspondingly <input type="checkbox"/> Additional action should be taken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project complies with the requirements </p>

5. SUMMARY OF VERIFICATION ASSESSMENTS

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

5.1. Implementation of the project

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

5.2. Project history

During the determination the AIE raised issues that could not be closed or resolved during the validation stage. For this purpose following FAR has been raised.

FAR No. 1 (Determination):

- a. Information according to Annex D of EN14181 has to be available latest for the first verification.
- b. QAL 2 tests of AMS according to EN14181 have to be conducted prior to the start of the crediting period.

The verification team has checked during the onsite visit a) documentation of the AMS (electronic AMS file) and b) certification and calibration documents for the relevant instruments of the installed AMS – N₂O Analyser and flow meter -:

Documentation of inspection, calibration, verification, (preventive) maintenance and malfunction is implemented in an electronic control card (SAP)^{QA/}. Operation maintenance and calibration intervals are carried out by qualified and trained staff from the EI (instrument) department according to the vendor's specification. Activities are controlled and documented as part of the electronic overall quality assurance programme.

The Dr. Födisch MCA 04 Gas Analyzer and FMD 99 stack gas flow meter, both have QAL1 approval as specified by EN ISO 14956. According to EN 14181 the most recent QAL2 test was conducted by Müller-BBM on 28 to 30/09/2009 (Report No. M82 450/2 and M82 450/4), with successful approval of the AMS. In addition to the QAL2 test, the Annual Surveillance Tests (AST) was performed by Müller-BBM on 31/08/2010 (Report No. M88 843/1).

Therefore the verification team concludes that issues raised by the Determination FAR are successfully implemented; FAR NO. 1 is closed.

Furthermore as this is the 1st periodic verification no issues from former verifications are to be considered.

5.3. Special events

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

- Shutdown for annual maintenance and primary catalyst gauze change.
- PHD server undergoing maintenance.
- 107 NCSG hourly results were replaced by substitute values.

5.4. Compliance with the monitoring plan

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

5.5. Monitoring parameters

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

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

5.6. Monitoring report

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

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



5.7. ER Calculation

The calculation of the emission reduction is based on hourly averages data or parameters retrieved from the data processing unit.

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

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

For AMS down-time intervals (107 out of the 2,665 h) NCSG measurement readings were replaced by a substitute value of 87.91ppm N₂O (=172.64mg/m³).

During this monitoring period the N₂O emission factor did not exceed the regulatory emissions factor of 1.2 kg N₂O/tHNO₃.

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

$$PE_n = VSG_n * NCSG_n * OH_n * 10^{-6} = 46,445.72 \text{ kgN}_2\text{O}.$$

Relating to metric tonne of 100% concentrated nitric acid:

$$EF_n = (PE_n / NAP_n) = 0.44927 \text{ kgN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3.$$

PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions during the specific Verification Period (46,445.72 kgN ₂ O).
EF _n	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from the defined Verification Period n (0.44927 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃).
NCSG _n	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the tail gas stream during the verification period (158.96 mgN ₂ O/m ³).
VSG _n	Mean tail gas volume flow rate during the verification period (109,635.74 Nm ³ /h).
NAP _n	Nitric acid production during the Verification Period (103,380.54 tHNO ₃).
OH _n	Operating hours of the plant during the Verification Period (2,665 h).
GWP _{N2O}	= 310 tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O .

$$ERU = ((EF_{reg} - EF_n)/1000 \times NAP \times GWP_{N_2O}) * 0.9 = 21,653 \text{ tCO}_2\text{e.}$$

5.8. Quality Management

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

5.9. Overall Aspects of the Verification

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

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

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

5.10. Hints for next periodic Verification

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

6. VERIFICATION OPINION

Yara Montoir Nitric Acid Plant has commissioned the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program to carry out the 1st periodic verification of the project: “YARA MONTOIR N₂O ABATEMENT PROJECT”, with regard to the relevant requirements for JI project activities. The project reduces GHG emissions due to the reduction of N₂O emissions from the production of nitric acid with secondary N₂O abatement technology (secondary catalyst). This verification covers the period from 2010-09-12 to 2010-12-31 (including both days).

In the course of the verification 5 Corrective Action Requests (CAR) and 2 Clarification Requests (CL) were raised and successfully closed. Furthermore 0 FARs are raised to improve the monitoring system in the future. The verification is based on the draft monitoring report, revised monitoring report, the monitoring plan as set out in the registered PDD, the determination report, emission reduction calculation spreadsheet and supporting documents made available to the TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP by the project participant.

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

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

As the result of the 1st periodic verification, the verifier confirms that the GHG emission reductions are calculated without material misstatements in a conservative and appropriate manner. TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP herewith confirms that the project has achieved emission reductions in the above mentioned reporting period as follows:

Emission reductions: **21,653** t CO₂e

Essen, 2011-07-15



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Verification Team Leader

Essen, 2011-07-15



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TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP

Final Approval

7. REFERENCES

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

Reference	Document
/ARRETE/	'Arrêté préfectoral' issued by the Préfet de la Loire-Atlantique in 2003 regarding max. Emission from Nitric Acid plant (Yara Montoir, applicable from 01/09/2005 (1.2 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)).
/ARRETE L/	Letter concerning 'Arrêté Préfectoral' issued by the Prefecture de Loire - Atlantique on 2010-03-31 regarding max. Emission from Nitric Acid plant. (Regulatory Emissions factor according to the 'arrêté préfectoral' issued by the Préfet de la Loire-Atlantique in 2003 and applicable from 01/09/2005 (1.2 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)).
/APP/	Application for approval of a first track JI project activity.
/CUSUM/	Cusum Control Sheet acc. DIN EN 14181 regarding drift of AMS.
/CERT/	ISO 9001:2000 and ISO 14001:2004 Certificates, issued by DNV, dated 21.11.2008, valid until 17.11.2011 (Certificate No. 42758-2008-AE-FRA-COFRAC).
/FG/	Announcement in the German Federal Gazette regarding the suitability of the AMS Dr. Foedisch MCA 04 .
/FOED-MAIN/	-Working, maintenance and service report (261968; 04.09.2009) about commissioning of the gas analyser MCA 04 by Dr. Foedisch Umweltmesstechnik AG. -Assembly, maintenance and calibration protocol, dated 01.06.10 (18.5-20.5.2010) about the check of MCA 04 by Dr. Foedisch Umweltmesstechnik AG.
/FLOWS/	Flow-sheet of nitric acid process.
/LISTD/	Excel-sheet with comparison of nitric acid concentration lab values/Figures .
/LOA/	LoA (host country) issued by the French "Ministère de l'Écologie, de l'Énergie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer, en charge des Technologies vertes et des Négociations sur le climat" on 2010-12-30,

Reference	Document
	Ref.-No.: 100010022280.
/LOA/	LoA issued by the Belgian Designated Focal Point (DFP), National Climate Commission of Belgium on 2011-04-04, DFP Ref-No.: NKC/FP/6.
/MR/	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitoring report of GHGs emission reductions (12.09.2010 – 31.12.2010) “Yara Montoir N₂O Abatement” dated 2011-01-20 Vers. 01, issued by N.serve. 2. Final Monitoring report of GHGs emission reductions (12.09.2010 – 31.12.2010) “Yara Montoir N₂O Abatement” dated 2011-02-15, Vers. 02, issued by N.serve.
/PARA-N2O/	Parameter configuration of the PHD Honeywell system, plot.
PHD	DATA-Management of the PHD Honeywell system.
/PLOT/	Plot of NAP in verification period. Plot of N ₂ O-Concentrations in verification period (Source: XLS).
/QA/	<p>Parts of the electronic overall quality assurance programme/electronic control card. Implemented QA system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -SAP plot of the maintenance control card of the AMS “plan de maintenance analyseur et debit GdQ”. - control cards “Coriolis flow meter mPDS200” with integrated density measurement device (Anton Paar). - control cards “N2O Analyser Dr. Födisch” MCA 04. - control cards “thermo-couples” AOR.
/QAL1A/	<p>QAL1 Certificate 0000025929 dated 2010-03-10 regarding suitability of the AMS MCA 04 according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland.</p> <p>QAL1 Certificate 0000025929_1 dated 2010-08-02 regarding suitability of the AMS MCA 04 according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland. (i.a. with extended calibration periods: 3 months).</p>
/QAL1V/	QAL1 Certificate No: 936/808005/C 2000-04-10 regarding FMD 99



Reference	Document
	Volumeter, English issued by TÜV Rheinland. QAL1 Certificate No: 936/808005/C 2000-04-10 regarding FMD 99 Volumeter, German.
/QAL2CALI B/	Report on performance tests and calibration of the AMS according to EN 14181, Report No. M82 450/2 and M82 450/4, issued by Müller BBM (28 to 30/09/2009).
/QAL2AST/	Annual Surveillance Tests (AST) performed by Müller-BBM on 31/08/2010, Report No. M88 843/1.
/QDENS/	Quality procedure and instrument verification: Density and concentration cross check procedures/ Lab cross check of the electronic coriolis density instrument. “Détermination du titre HNO ₃ ”, Procedure for determination of concentration of nitric acid from density.
/QPROCMP/	Quality procedure and instrument verification: Display Maintenance Plan- Strategy plan and Cycle (Boucle Density HNO ₃), SAP-plot.
/QPROCA/	Quality procedure and instrument verification: “CONTROLE mécanique, électrique, étalonnage”, Result and procedure for regular check of the Density/Concentration measurement device (Coriolis flow meter, mPDS200, Anton Paar)
/QPROCB/	Quality procedure and instrument verification: “Fiche de vie” Results, parameter, date for and of all regular checks, maintenance and calibrations.
/QPROCD/	Quality procedures and instrument verification: “CONTROLE visual, mécanique, électrique, étalonnage”, Results and procedures for regular checks of the process measurement devices: -thermocouples, -pressure NH ₃ -pressure Air (Air/NH ₃ ratio)
/QPROCE/	Quality procedures and instrument verification: “Procedure for calibration and management of maintenance of AMS . -Calibration gas N ₂ O: 200.4 ppm N ₂ O, 805 ppm N ₂ O.
/STACK/	Screenshot of the PCS of the stack with sampling point of AMS

Reference	Document
/XLS/	ERU Excel calculation spreadsheet "Monitoring Data 1st Ver Sep - Dec 2010_V3_20110114" and "Monitoring Data 1st Ver Sep - Dec 2010_V4_20110214_MS"

Table 7-2: Background investigation and assessment documents

Reference	Document
/14181/	European Standard DIN EN 14181: "Stationary source emissions – Quality assurance of automated measuring systems"
/AM0034/	Approved baseline and monitoring methodology AM0034: "Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O inside the ammonia burner of nitric acid plants", version 3.4
/AR/	Arrêté du 2 mars 2007 of the 'Ministère de l'écologie et du développement durable (Implementation of the JI-Guidelines in France)
/BACK/	Background paper: "N ₂ O EMISSIONS FROM ADIPIC ACID AND NITRIC ACID PRODUCTION", Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories issued by the NGGIP
/BELGIUM/	Rules established by the National Climate Commission for the submission of an application for approval for a project activity...
/BREF/	Reference Document on Best Available Techniques for the Manufacture of Large Volume Inorganic Chemicals - Ammonia, Acids and Fertilisers
/CPM/	TÜV NORD JI / CDM CP Manual (incl. CP procedures and forms)
/DET/	Determination Report of the JI track 1 project: Yara Montoir N ₂ O Abatement Project, Report No.: 600500307, dated 2011-01-18, issued by TÜV Sued.
/DVM/	Ji Determination and Verification Manual



Reference	Document
/GUIDE/	Guidance: Developing a CDM or JI project to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, issued by the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Ministry for Economy, Industry and Employment • French Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Town and Country Planning • French Global Environment Facility
/IPCC/	1. 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: work book 2. 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: work book
/KP/	Kyoto Protocol (1997)
/MA/	Decision 3/CMP. 1 (Marrakesh – Accords)
/METH/	Méthode pour les Projets Domestiques Réduction catalytique du N ₂ O dans des usines d'acide nitrique (Projet Domestique Methodology: Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O at nitric acid plants)
/METHE/	Projet Domestique Methodology Catalytic reduction of N ₂ O at nitric acid plants (Translation of ^{/METH/})
/PDD/	Project Design Document Version 06 dated 10.08.2010 “YARA Montoir N ₂ O abatement project”
/SAFE/	SAFETY DATA SHEET, YARA N ₂ O Abatement Catalyst 58-Y1, 58-Y1-S in accordance with EU REACH regulation

Table 7-3: Websites used

Reference	Link	Organisation
/belgium/	http://www.cnc-nkc.be/KLIMAATPLAN/EN/Home/Focalpoint/Approval	Website of the Belgian DFP



Reference	Link	Organisation
	NCC/	
/bref/	http://eippcb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/reference/	Website of the European Commission, Joint Research Centre, Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (Provision of BAT-Reference documents)
/dehst/	http://www.dehst.de	German Emissions Trading Authority (DEHSt) at the Federal Environment Agency
/dfp/	http://www.developpement-durable.gouv.fr/	Ministère de l'Écologie, de l'Énergie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer, en charge des Technologies vertes et des Négociations sur le climat
/douane/	http://www.douane.gouv.fr/data/file/6146.pdf	Web-file regarding N ₂ O emission taxation.
/gw/	http://www.global-warming.de/	TÜV Nord platform hosting projects open for comments at the determination stage
/ipcc/	www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp	IPCC publications
/lf/	http://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/	Site of the Legifrance (La service public de la diffusion du droit)
/mist/	http://www.ecologie.gouv.fr/Methodologies-de-projets.html	Ministère de l'Écologie, de l'Énergie, du Développement durable et de la Mer (Ministry of ecology and sustainable development)
/nfg/	http://www.effet-de-serre.gouv.fr/accueil	Mission interministérielle sur l'effet de serre (French Inter-Ministry Mission on the Greenhouse Effect)
/qal1/	http://qal1.de/de/hersteller/oedisch.htm	www-database of federal environment agency for QAL 1 certified AMS
/unfccc/	http://ji.unfccc.int	JI-FC



Table 7-4: List of interviewed persons

Reference	Mol ¹		Name	Organisation / Function
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms	J. Manuel Lizon	Yara Montoir Nitric Acid Plant (Production Manager)
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms	Bernard Gladieux	Yara Montoir Nitric Acid Plant (Coordinator Technique)
/IM01/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Fabrice Faldor	Yara Montoir Nitric Acid Plant (Responsible Electrique/ EI Manager)
/IM02/	V	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Rebecca Cardani- Strange	N.serve (Project Manager)
/IM02/	V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	Martin Stilkenbäumer	N.serve (Monitoring Expert)

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

ANNEX

- A1:** Verification Protocol
- A2:** Appointment / Authorisation statements



ANNEX 1: VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

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

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



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



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



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

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

No.	DVM ³ paragraph / Checklist Item (incl. guidance for the determination team)	Initial Finding (Means and results of assessment)	Ref.	Action requested to PPs (CAR, CL, FAR)	Review of PP's action	Conclusion
A	Project Approvals by Parties involved					
A.1	<p><i>DVM § 90</i> Has the DFPs of at least one Party involved, other than the host Party, issued a written project approval when submitting the first verification report to the secretariat for publication in accordance with paragraph 38 of the JI guidelines, at the latest?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is the 1st verification and no report was issued prior to this verification The report will be submitted directly to the DFP by the PP because it is a track 1 project. <p><i>Means of determination:</i> DFP-website, LoA, Unfccc-website, MR</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> CAR A1: Clarification is requested why Norway and Germany are considered as involved parties.</p> <p>CAR A2: The investor party (Belgium) LoA is still pending.</p>	/LOA/ /dfp/ /unfccc/	CAR A1 CAR A2	Pls. see Chapter 4	OK
A.2	<p><i>DVM § 91</i> Are all the written project approvals by Parties involved unconditional?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The applicable benchmark value is limited lower than the nationwide benchmark emissions factors (specific regulatory Emissions Factor according to plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”).</p>	/ARRET / /ARRET	CAR A3	Pls. see Chapter 4	OK

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		<p>The French LoA has two conditions, which need to be taking into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only 90 % of the verified emission reductions of one period shall be claimed by the PP. The ERU quantity stated in this report already takes into account the 10% deduction. • The total amount of verified emission reductions until 2012-12-31 is limited to 130,634 tonnes CO₂e (before 10 % reduction). <p><i>Means of determination: French Method, plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”, LoA, PDD, MR, and XLS-spreadsheet.</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The specific regulatory Emissions is taken into account. • 10 % of the emission reductions are subtracted from the initial result. The ERU quantity stated in this report already takes into account the 10% deduction. • The sum of emission reduction does not exceed the maximum. <p>CAR A3: As per French Letter of Approval (host country LoA) the crediting period of the project is limited to the 1st Kyoto commitment period. The exact crediting period shall</p>	<p>L/ /METH/ /LOA/ /PDD/ /XLS/ /MR-1/ /dfp/ /unfccc/</p>			



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		be indicated in the MR.				
B	Project implementation					
B.1	<p><i>DVM § 92</i> Has the project been implemented in accordance with the PDD regarding which the determination has been deemed final and is so listed on the UNFCCC JI website?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The project installations (Abatement catalyst, AMS) were checked by the verification team and compared with the description given in the registered PDD. The installation of the abatement catalyst and monitoring system is in line with the PDD.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Interviews, PDD, certificates provided by the PP, on-site visit</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The determination EIA raised one <u>FAR (No.1)</u> related to the proper implementation of the AMS: a. Information according to Annex D of EN14181 has to be available latest for the first verification. b. QAL 2 tests of AMS according to EN14181 have to be conducted prior to the start of the crediting period.</p> <p>The verification team has checked during the onsite visit a) documentation of the AMS (electronic AMS file) and b) certification and calibration documents for the relevant instruments of the installed AMS - N₂O Analyser and flow meter-: Documentation of inspection, calibration, verification,</p>	<p>/IM01/ /IM02/ /PDD/ /DET/ /QAL1A/ /QAL1V/ /QAL2 CALIB/ /QAL2IN ST/ /MR-1/ /14181/</p>	OK		OK



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		<p>(preventive) maintenance and malfunction is implemented in the QM system as electronic control cards (SAP)^{/QA/}</p> <p>The Dr. Födisch MCA 04 Gas Analyzer and FMD 99 stack gas flow meter, both have QAL1 approval as specified by EN ISO 14956. According to EN 14181 the most recent QAL2 test was conducted by Müller-BBM on 28 to 30/09/2009 (Report No. M82 450/2 and M82 450/4), with successful approval of the AMS. In addition to the QAL2 test, the Annual Surveillance Tests (AST) was performed by Müller-BBM on 31/08/2010 (Report No. M88 843/1).</p> <p>Therefore the verification team concludes that issues raised by the Determination FAR are successfully implemented; Det. FAR NO. 1 is closed.</p>				
B.2	<p><i>DVM § 93</i></p> <p>What is the status of operation of the project during the monitoring period?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The project is running according to the description provided in the PDD.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Calculation sheets annexed to the monitoring report, PDD, interviews, on-site visit and inspection of implementations.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The project is in accordance to the description provided in the PDD and every other stipulation or</p>	/IM01/ /IM02/ /PDD/ /XLS/ /MR-1/	CAR B4	Pls. see Chapter 4	OK



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		requirement mentioned in all sections of the methodology. Nevertheless some findings were raised: CAR B4: A further detailed description of the project history (e.g. campaign data), production issues and key events regarding plant operation and AMS status should be included in the Monitoring Report.				
C	Compliance with monitoring plan					
C.1	DVM § 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?	Description: Monitored parameter and parameter used for calculation are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCSG [mg N₂O/m³] monitored • VSG [Nm³/h] monitored • TSG [°C] monitored • PSG [Pa] monitored • PE_n [kgN₂O] calculated • OH [h] monitored • NAP [tHNO₃] monitored • OT [°C] monitored • OP [bar] missing(-) 	/PDD/ /DET/ /MR-1/ /14181/	CAR-C5 CL-C6 CL-C7	Pls see Chapter 4	OK



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AFR [kgNH₃/h] monitored • AIFR [%] monitored • EF_{reg} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃] used for calculation • EF_{BM} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃] used for calculation • GWP_{N₂O} [tCO₂e/tN₂O] used for calculation • ERU [ERUs (tCO₂e)] calculated <p>The PP refers to the project methodology and European standard 14181 regarding implementation of monitoring equipment and procedures.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> DIN EN 14181, methodology, quality related procedures provided by the plant staff, on-site inspections and interviews.</p> <p><i>Conclusion</i> The verification team can confirm that the monitoring of the relevant parameter implemented in the project and the referenced standards are in accordance with the monitoring plan of the final PDD. Checks details are i.e.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement frequency • Data source • Measurement procedures • Quality procedures 				



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measuring points • Cross checks • Data handling, storage and processing Nevertheless some findings were raised: <p>CAR C 5: A simple plant diagram including the position of the monitoring equipments should be included in the Monitoring Report.</p> <p>CL C6: As per the “Projet Domestique Methodology” the parameter OP_n has to be monitored. This parameter is missing in Annex 1.</p> <p>CL C7: The description of the applied measurement procedure for NAP (P.5) is insufficient esp. as the concentration measurement is not mentioned.</p>				
C.2	DVM § 95a) For calculating the emission reductions or enhancements of net removals, were key factors, e.g. those listed in 23 (b) (i)-(vii)	<i>Description:</i> Project baselines are set by default values in the French methodology which was issued by the French DFP. Default values are expressed in benchmark values [kg N ₂ O/t HNO ₃]: Year: 2010 2011 2012	/METH/ /LoA/ /DVM/ /ARETE/	OK	Pls see Chapter 4	OK



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	<p>above, influencing the baseline emissions or net removals and the activity level of the project and the emissions or removals as well as risks associated with the project taken into account, as appropriate?</p>	<p>Value: 2.5 2.5 1.85 But for Yara Montoir Nitric acid plant the applicable benchmark value is limited lower than the nationwide benchmark emissions factors. The specific regulatory Emissions Factor according to plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral” is 1.2 kgN₂O/tHNO₃. The regulatory value is equal to 425 mg N₂O/Nm³. This benchmark factor is the key factor, which influences the baseline scenario and reduces the accountable emission reductions from realistic baseline emissions to the above mentioned values. The results of risk assessment are extensive measures to prevent a bypass of process gases in the catalyst bed since this will lead to a reduction of catalyst efficiency. Decreasing catalyst efficiency was identified as most important project risk <i>Means of determination:</i> plant specific “Arrêté Préfectoral”, French methodology, LoA, PDD <i>Conclusion:</i> The benchmark values are correctly considered in the calculation of baseline emissions and take into account the sectoral reform policies and legislation (point 23 (b) (i) of DVM). The verification team can confirm, that the result of risk assessment (risks associated with the project) was taken</p>	<p>/ARETE L/ /PDD/ / DVM/</p>			



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		into account.				
C.3	<p><i>DVM § 95b)</i> Are data sources used for calculating emission reductions or enhancements of net removals clearly identified, reliable and transparent?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> Parameter and related data sources are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCSG_n [mg N₂O/m³]; Dr. Födisch MCA 04 Continuous Emissions N₂O Analyser (part of the AMS) • VSG_n [Nm³/h]; Dr. Födisch FMD 99 gas volume flow meter (part of the AMS) • PE_n [kgN₂O]; Calculation from measured data • OH_n [h]; Production Log – taking into account: plant status signal, NH₃ valve status signal, trip point parameters • NAP_n [tHNO₃]; Nitric acid flow meter and density of nitric acid • EF_{BM} [kgN₂O/tHNO₃] • GWP_{N₂O} [tCO₂e/tN₂O]; Climate Change 1995, The Science of Climate Change: Summary for Policymakers and Technical Summary of the Working Group I Report, page 22. • ERU [ERUs (tCO₂e)]; Calculated from measured data 	<p>/PDD/ /METH/ /PDD/ /MR-1/ /XLS/ /IM01/ /IM02/</p>	GL-G7	Pls see Chapter 4	OK



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		<p><i>Means of determination:</i> PDD, methodology, monitoring report, on-site visit of plant, PCS and data server</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i></p> <p>The PP could demonstrate that data sources (excepting NAP) are clearly identified, reliable and transparent. The following findings were raised in this context:</p> <p>CL C7:</p> <p>The description of the applied measurement procedure for NAP (P.5) is insufficient esp. as the concentration measurement is not mentioned.</p>										
C.4	<p><i>DVM § 95c)</i></p> <p>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</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> As described under C.2., the French DFP sets emission factors as benchmark values [kg N₂O/t HNO₃):</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Year: 2010</td> <td>2011</td> <td>2012</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Value: 2.5</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>1.85</td> </tr> </table> <p>But the plant specific applicable benchmark value (specific regulatory Emissions Factor) at Montoir according to “Arrêté Préfectoral” is limited lower to 1.2 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> “Arrêté Préfectoral”, Methodology, Monitoring report, XLS calculation spreadsheet.</p>	Year: 2010	2011	2012	Value: 2.5	2.5	1.85	<p>/PDD/ /METH/ /MR-1/ /ARETE/ /ARETE L/ /XLS/</p>	OK		OK
Year: 2010	2011	2012										
Value: 2.5	2.5	1.85										



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	choice?	<p><i>Conclusion:</i> The benchmark value, as set by the Prefecture de Loire-Atlantique was correctly included in emission reduction calculation. The stack gas concentration, which correlates with the emission factor, was not mentioned in the report as required per methodology.</p>				
C.5	<p><i>DVM § 95d)</i> Is the calculation of emission reductions or enhancements of net removals calculated based on conservative assumptions and the most plausible scenarios in a transparent manner?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The transparent calculation of emission reduction follows the methodology described in the PDD. All data used is based on measurements, therefore no assumptions are used.</p> <p>For 107 out of the 2,665 hourly average data sets, the analyzer was out of operation (downtime). Respective NCSG measurement readings during these times were replaced by a substitute value: During downtime of the AMS or interruption of measurement during part of one hour, the hourly average was calculated based on the remaining values for the rest of the hour in question. Remaining values account for less than 50% of the hourly data, then this hour was eliminated from the calculation and the substitute value (87.91 ppm) was used instead.</p> <p>The calculation includes: A deduction in baseline emission scenario to 1.2 kg N₂O/t HNO₃ (benchmark values) and a 10% reduction of the verified emission reductions.</p>	/PDD/ /METH/ /ARETE/ /ARETE L/ /MR-1/ /XLS/	OK		OK



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		<p><i>Means of determination:</i> “Arrêté Préfectoral”, Methodology, PDD, XLS</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The used methodology, data processing, implementation of the benchmark values and 10% reduction is a conservative approach.</p>				
Applicable to JI SSC projects only						
C.6	<p><i>DVM § 96</i></p> <p>Is the relevant threshold to be classified as JI SSC project not exceeded during the monitoring period on an annual average basis?</p> <p>If the threshold is exceeded, is the maximum emission reduction level estimated in the PDD for the JI SSC project or the bundle for the monitoring period determined?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The project is classified as large-scale project.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> PDD</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> N/A.</p>				
Applicable to bundled JI SSC projects only						
C.7	<p><i>DVM § 97a)</i></p> <p>Has the composition of the</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> N/A</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> N/A</p>				



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	bundle not changed from that is stated in F-JI-SSCBUNDLE?	<i>Conclusion: N/A</i>				
C.8	<p><i>DVM § 97b)</i></p> <p>If the determination was conducted on the basis of an overall monitoring plan, have the project participants submitted a common monitoring report?</p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
C.9	<p><i>DVM § 98</i></p> <p>If the monitoring is based on a monitoring plan that provides for overlapping monitoring periods,</p> <p>Are the monitoring periods per component of the project clearly specified in the monitoring report?</p> <p>Do the monitoring periods not overlap with those for which verifications were already deemed final in the past?</p>	<p><i>Description: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Means of determination: N/A</i></p> <p><i>Conclusion: N/A</i></p>				
D	<i>Revision of monitoring plan</i>					



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Applicable only if monitoring plan is revised by project participants						
D.1	DVM § 99a) Did the project participants provide an appropriate justification for the proposed revision?	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
D.2	DVM § 99b) Does the proposed revision improve the accuracy and/or applicability of information collected compared to the original monitoring plan without changing conformity with the relevant rules and regulations for the establishment of monitoring plans?	Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A				
E	Data management					
E.1	DVM § 101a) Is the implementation of data collection procedures in accordance with the monitoring	Description: Data collection is in accordance with the monitoring plan. The monitoring system measures every 10 seconds and reports hourly averages for all the monitored parameters to N.serve, who is the responsible for the correct analysis of the delivered data.	/PDD/ /METH/ /MR-1/	OK		OK



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	<p>plan, including the quality control and quality assurance procedures?</p>	<p>Data collection procedures, quality control and quality assurance are implemented as follows:</p> <p>For all N₂O data sets a plausibility check is conducted. All data sets containing implausible values are eliminated from the calculation of the average values. Implausible values are those which are negative or clearly out of the range of “normal operating conditions”.</p> <p>Measured values were generated by local measurement and monitoring devices, stored in plant automatic data management server (Honeywell PHD data collection and storage system).</p> <p>During data processing, measured values were evaluated according to statistical methods.</p> <p>The PP chooses a monitoring standard that requires the establishment of a calibration curve (EN14181). The correction factors derived from this calibration curve during the QAL2 audit are applied onto both VSG and NCSG-measuring.</p> <p>VSG: QAL2 correction factor: 0.98 NCSG: QAL2 correction factor = 0.99 TSG: QAL2 correction factor: 1.0 PSG: QAL2 correction factor: 1.0</p>	<p>/QPRO C/ /XLS/ /DVM/ /IM01/ /IM02/ /EN1418 1/ /QPRO CMP/ /PARA N2O/ /QA/ /QPRO CE/ /QAL2 CALIB/ /QAL2 AST/</p>			



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		<p>The Uncertainty for N₂O mass flow measurement as calculated during the QAL2 test is 2.93 % for the lower range of the analyser (0 - 200ppm) and 3.43% for the upper range (to 1000ppm). Both values are below the permitted overall uncertainty of 7.5 %.</p> <p>Acc. to the methodology, downtimes of the AMS was handled as following: The hourly average was calculated based on the remaining values for the rest of the hour in question. If these remaining values account for less than 50% of the hourly data for one or more parameters, then this hour was eliminated from the calculation and substitute values were used instead.</p> <p>The methodology requires that the permitted overall uncertainty of the average hourly annual emissions is less than 7.5% if technical possible.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> Methodology, Monitoring report, on-site visit of plant incl. control room with data server. The original data as excel file produced by the data acquisition system sent to N.serve by the plant operator has been (random) checked together with the final ER calculations accounted as per the applied methodology and determined PDD (spot-check of single hours and days).</p> <p>Conclusion: It has been confirmed that the data collection procedures are as per the description in the determined</p>				



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		monitoring plan. No further issues have been identified in this regard.				
E.2	<p><i>DVM § 101b)</i></p> <p>Is the function of the monitoring equipment, including its calibration status, is in order?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> All relevant monitoring instruments incl. the AMS are included in the quality procedures which are established for proper operation of the plant. (Yara Montoir is certified to international standards ISO 9001 Quality Management Systems, ISO 14001 Environmental Management Systems, and OHSAS 18001 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems carried out by Det Norske Veritas.)</p> <p>a) AMS:</p> <p>Additional measures are related to the European Norm EN14181 (2004) “Stationary source emissions - Quality assurance of automated measuring systems”:</p> <p>QAL 1: performance approval: the AMS is suitable for purpose and in line with the European norm. The PP provides a QAL1 Certificate 0000025929 dated 2010-03-10 according to DIN EN 14181:2004 issued by TÜV Rheinland.</p> <p>QAL 2: The Dr. Födisch MCA 04 Gas Analyzer and FMD 99 stack gas flow meter, both have QAL1 approval as specified by EN ISO 14956. According to EN 14181 the most recent</p>	<p>/QAL1A/ QAL1V/ /FG/ /QAL2 AST/ /QAL2 CALIB/ /FOEDM AIN/ /PHD/ /QPRO CA/ /QPRO CB/ /QPRO CD/ QPROC</p>	<p>CL-C7</p>	<p>Pls. see Chapter 4</p>	<p>OK</p>



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		<p>QAL2 test was conducted by Müller-BBM on 28 to 30/09/2009 (Report No. M82 450/2 and M82 450/4), with successful approval of the AMS. In addition to the QAL2 test, the Annual Surveillance Tests (AST) was performed by Müller-BBM on 31/08/2010 (Report No. M88 843/1).</p> <p>QAL 3 (ongoing operation and maintenance) <i>N₂O-Analyzer Zero Calibration</i> is conducted automatically every 24 hours. Manual calibrations are done at least once per month. Manual span calibrations are done with certified calibration gas at least once per month and the calibration results are all documented as part of the QAL3 documentation.</p> <p>The flow meter FMD 99 itself does not need to be calibrated since it is a physical device without drift. Physical inspection of the condition (assembly/maintenance and service) is checked/done by Dr. Födisch Umweltmesstechnik AG. In addition, the flow meter is checked during the QAL2 and AST tests by Müller-BBM.</p> <p><i>b) Other monitoring installations, equipment and devices:</i></p> <p>Operation maintenance and calibration intervals are carried out by qualified and trained staff from the EI/ instrument department according to the vendor's specification. Activities are controlled and documented as part of an</p>	<p>E/ /QA/ /CERT/ /IM01/ /IM02/</p>			



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		<p>electronic overall quality assurance programme.</p> <p><i>Conclusion:</i> The PP implemented a quality assurance system to prove the ongoing compliance of the AMS with the norm. The most maintenance activities are monitored and controlled as part of an electronic overall quality assurance programme.</p> <p>Nevertheless the following finding was raised:</p> <p>CL C7: The description of the applied measurement procedure for NAP (P.5) is insufficient esp. as the concentration measurement is not mentioned.</p>				
E.3	<p><i>DVM § 101c)</i></p> <p>Are the evidence and records used for the monitoring maintained in a traceable manner?</p>	<p><i>Description:</i> The nitric acid plant is equipped with a Honeywell PHD data collection and storage system (DCS), which records and stores all monitoring values for NCSG, VSG, TSG, PSG, as well as different status signals of the AMS and the NH₃ valve status signal from the nitric acid plant that defines whether or not the plant is in operation. All monitoring data are collected from plant via on 10 second basis. A data extract of hourly mean values (excel) is reported to N.serve.</p> <p><i>Means of determination:</i> The original spreadsheets created</p>	/XLS/ /PHD/	OK		OK



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		by the DCS have been checked and the functioning of DCS was checked during the on-site visit (spot-check of single hours and days). <i>Conclusion:</i> The evidences and records used for the monitoring are maintained in a traceable manner. The verifier can confirm, that all data are traceable from measurement-device to ER-calculation				
E.4	<i>DVM § 101d)</i> Is the data collection and management system for the project in accordance with the monitoring plan?	<i>Description:</i> The data collection and the management system are conducted as per the description in the determined monitoring plan. The data acquisition system records the hourly average data which is sent to N.serve for the quality and plausibility check, statistical analysis and final emission reduction calculation. <i>Means of determination:</i> by means of interview with the plant operator and N.serve representatives. <i>Conclusion:</i> No further issues were found with this regard.	/PHD/ /PDD/ /MR/ /XLS/	OK		OK
F	Verification regarding programmes of activities (additional elements for assessment)					
F.1	<i>DVM § 102</i> Is any JPA that has not been added to the JI PoA not verified?	<i>Description:</i> N/A <i>Means of determination:</i> N/A <i>Conclusion:</i> N/A				
F.2	<i>DVM § 103</i>	<i>Description:</i> N/A				



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	Is the verification based on the monitoring reports of all JPAs to be verified?	<i>Means of determination: N/A</i> <i>Conclusion: N/A</i>				
F.3	<i>DVM § 103</i> Does the verification ensure the accuracy and conservativeness of the emission reductions or enhancements of removals generated by each JPA?	<i>Description: N/A</i> <i>Means of determination: N/A</i> <i>Conclusion: N/A</i>				
F.4	<i>DVM § 104</i> Does the monitoring period not overlap with previous monitoring periods?	<i>Description: N/A</i> <i>Means of determination: N/A</i> <i>Conclusion: N/A</i>				
F.5	<i>DVM § 105</i> If the AIE learns of an erroneously included JPA, has the AIE informed the JISC of its findings in writing?	<i>Description: N/A</i> <i>Means of determination: N/A</i> <i>Conclusion: N/A</i>				
Applicable to sample-based approach only						
F.6	<i>DVM § 106</i>	<i>Description: N/A</i>				



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



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



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	<i>in accordance with the criteria listed in (a) (i) above?</i>					
F.7	<i>DVM § 107 Is the sampling plan ready for publication through the secretariat along with the verification report and supporting documentation?</i>	<i>Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A</i>				
F.8	<i>DVM § 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 and justification?</i>	<i>Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A</i>				
F.9	<i>DVM § 109</i>	<i>Description: N/A</i>				



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	<i>Is the sampling plan available for submission to the secretariat for the JISC.s ex ante assessment? (Optional)</i>	<i>Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A</i>				
	Applicable to both sample based and non-sample based approaches					
F.10	DVM § 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?	<i>Description: N/A Means of determination: N/A Conclusion: N/A</i>				



ANNEX 2: STATEMENTS OF COMPETENCE OF TEAM MEMBERS

Statement of Competence
Appointment and authorization according to the procedures
of the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program

Mr. Rainer Winter

SCHEME	STATUS	VALID UNTIL
CDM Validation, Verification	Senior Assessor	2013-07-03
J1	Senior Assessor	2013-07-03
VCS	Senior Assessor	2013-07-03

Authorization status for technical areas within sectoral scopes:

CODE	TECHNICAL AREA
1.1	Thermal Energy Generation
1.2	Renewable Energies
4.1	Cement Sector
4.3	Iron and Steel
4.5	Waste Heat Recovery
5.1	Chemical Process Industries
9.1	Metal Production
11.1	Chemical Process Industries
11.2	GHG Capture and Destruction
12.1	Chemical Process Industries
13.1	Waste Handling and Disposal

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CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

Ms. Sabine Meyer
born on 1976-07-05

satisfies the requirements as specified in the TÜV NORD
JI/CDM CP directives and is hereby appointed as

TÜV NORD JI/CDM Assessor

The present appointment will terminate on 2013-10-27
Certification registration No. 10 10 06 – 197 rev1

Essen, 2010-10-28

Head of TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program
of TÜV NORD CERT GmbH



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Mr. Stefan Winter

SCHEME	STATUS	VALID UNTIL
CDM	Senior Assessor	2014-06-30
Validation, Verification		
VCS	Senior Assessor	2014-06-30

Authorization status for technical areas within sectoral scopes:

CODE	TECHNICAL AREA
1.1	Thermal energy generation
1.2	Renewable Energies
13.1	Waste handling and disposal
13.2	Animal waste management
15.2	Animal waste management

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Mr. Dirk Speyer

SCHEME	STATUS	VALID UNTIL
CDM	Trainee	2014-06-16
Validation, Verification		
VCS	Trainee	2014-06-16

Authorization status for technical areas within sectoral scopes:

CODE	TECHNICAL AREA
4.4	Refinery
5.1	Chemical Process Industries
11.1	Chemical Process Industries
11.2	GHG Capture and Destruction
12.1	Chemical Process Industries

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Mr. Martin Saalmann

SCHEME	STATUS	VALID UNTIL
CDM	Senior Assessor	2013-03-31
Ji	Senior Assessor	2013-03-31
VCS	Senior Assessor	2013-03-31

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CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT

Mr. Emilio Martin
born on 1978-10-24

satisfies the requirements as specified in the TÜV NORD JI/CDM CP directives and is hereby appointed as

TÜV NORD CDM Lead Assessor

The present appointment will terminate on 2013-11-30
Certification registration No. 10 12 01 – 157 rev1

Essen, 2010-12-01

Head of TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program
or TÜV NORD CERT GmbH

Statement of Competence
Appointment and authorization according to the procedures
of the TÜV NORD JI/CDM Certification Program

Mr. Ulrich Walter

SCHEME	STATUS	VALID UNTIL
CDM Validation, Verification	Assessor	2013-05-24
JI	Assessor	2013-05-24
VCS	Assessor	2013-05-24

Authorization status for technical areas within sectoral scopes:

CODE	TECHNICAL AREA
2.1	Electricity Distribution
2.2	Heat Distribution
3.1	Energy Demand
5.1	Chemical Process Industries
11.1	Chemical Process Industries
12.1	Chemical Process Industries
13.1	Waste Handling and Disposal
13.2	Animal Waste Management
15.2	Animal Waste Management

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