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# SECTION A. General description of the small-scale project

# A.1. Title of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

Seirijai wind power park The sectoral scope - (1) Energy industries (renewable/non-renewable sources) PDD version 03 23/08/2011

# A.2. Description of the small-scale project:

#### Situation existing prior to the starting date of the Project

The renewable electricity produced by the wind power plants would displace carbon intensive electricity produced from fossil fuel sources in the Lithuanian power network. Lithuanian electric power network is being operated by national grid operator - Lietuvos Energija. Foremost, they purchase power quotas (on basis of the prior signed contracts) from electric power producers. The producers may also supply electric power, exceeding the quotas, at a few time lower prices. The difference in national demand for the electric power and total production thereof (quotas and over-quotas) is being covered by Lietuvos Elektrine. Thus, if the implementation of this JI Project fails, the estimated electric power would be produced by Lietuvos Elektrine using fossil fuels – natural gas, heavy fuel oil and orimulsion.

Currently wind energy parks with total capacity 80MW and singly wind turbines with total capacity 11,2MW are under operation in Lithuania. The total installed capacity is 91,2 MW<sup>1</sup>.

The proposed JI Project supports Lithuania's objective to increase the share of renewable electricity to 7% by end of year 2010.

#### Baseline scenario

It was calculated that by generating 1 MWh of electric power, contributes to the pollution of atmosphere with 0,626 tones of CO2 (See chapter B.1.). In accordance to the baseline scenario, electric power is produced only by Lietuvos Elektrine with its average annual emission 610228 tCO2.

#### Project scenario

Seirijai wind power park would displace carbon intensive electricity produced from fossil fuel sources in the Lietuvos Elektrine. It is foreseen to install 3 wind power plants with the total capacity of 6,0MW (2MW x 3). Wind turbines Power Park will be manufactured, installed, adjusted and set into action by Enercon GmbH staff. After Wind Park's commissioning it is planed to sign additional agreement on turbines maintenance between companies.

The Seirijai wind power park, in a conservative approach, will generate about 13,62 GWh of electric power per year. Such wind park's generation will lead 8526 tCO2/year emission reductions on Lietuvos Elektrine side.

#### History of the Project

Current Project stage – constructional works.

Company Gemba, UAB started the Project activities on October 2008 by wining of auction on connection to the national grid – organized by Lietuvos energija, AB. Later it was visited few turbine manufacturers, analyzed project financing prospective and sources, solved other related questions. It was

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data of LITGRID <u>www.litgrid.eu</u> 06/10/2010



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agreed on project financing with commercial bank - Swedbank, and signed contracts on turbine delivery with Enercon Gmbh. All project stages are indicated into Table 3.

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| A.3. | Project participants: |  |

# Table 1. Project participants

| Party involved            | Legal entity project<br>participant (as applicable) | Please indicate if the Party<br>involved wishes to be<br>considered as project<br>participant (Yes/No) |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Lithuania<br>(Host party) | Gemba, UAB  | No   |

The Host party company Gemba, UAB was established particularly for implementation of this wind power park project development in Lithuania.

# A.4. Technical description of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

# A.4.1. Location of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

A.4.1.1. Host Party(ies):

Republic of Lithuania

# A.4.1.2. Region/State/Province etc.:

Lazdijai district

# A.4.1.3. City/Town/Community etc.:

Seirijai village

# A.4.1.4. Detail of physical location, including information allowing the unique identification of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

Seirijai wind power park is located in south part of Lithuania, near village Seirijai (Figure 1.). Wind turbines coordinates according to the engineering network plan No.0910/2-TP-SP-II-03 are: WEC No.1 X=6009185,64, Y=488649,66; WEC No.2 X=6008904,92, Y=488548,54; WEC No.3 X=6009377,65, Y=488661,93.



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Figure 2. Location of Seirijai wind power park

The park's territory is on the top of the hills surrounded by lakes from different directions therefore this place may be characterized as high wind speed and windy. The closest living area (grange) is 330 m away from the wind power park place. Dominant winds are from south and southeast directions. Territory is on above 150-160 m over see level.

The wind park territory (3x 15 ares) is owned by Gemba, UAB. Wind power park's connection point will be existing 10/110 kV transformer substation (belongs for energy distribution company RST).

Characteristics of wind take a significant role in installation of wind power park, especially in selection of the location. Referring to long term meteorological data and measurements of wind speed and strength, chosen location is well suited for project implementation.

Detailed layout of wind turbines is based on wind speed measurements data (average wind speed - 6,2 m/s). Starting from July of 2004, on site wind parameters is under measurements by German company Enercon GmbH (wind turbine producer). During wind power park place selection long term wind speed data from Lazdijai meteorological station was used as well.



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### A.4.2. <u>Small-scale project type(s)</u> and <u>category(ies)</u>:

Type I JI SSC project: Renewable energy project with a maximum output capacity of less than 15 MW(e).

Category: D. Electricity generation for a system

# A.4.3. Technology(ies) to be employed, or measures, operations or actions to be implemented by the <u>small-scale project</u>:

It is planned to install 3 units of Enercon E-82 type wind turbines manufactured by German company Enercon GmbH. According to turbines manufacturer data the turbines operation regime is on 2,5-28 m/s wind speed. The other technical data of Enercon E-82 turbines is presented in Table 2.

#### Table 2. Technical parameters of the wind turbines

| Type of wind turbine        | E-82      |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Capacity, kW                | 2000      |
| Rotor diameter, m           | 82        |
| Rotor's rotation direction  | Clockwise |
| Blade number                | 3         |
| Total power plant height, m | 149       |
| Wight of power plant, t     | 1120      |
| Tower diameter at ground, m | 8,8       |
| Hub height, m               | 98        |
| Cut-in wind speed           | 2,5 m/s   |

According to Enercon calculations Seirijai wind power park should generate about 13,62 GWh electric power per year. Wind power park's connection point will be existing 10/110 kV transformer substation (belongs for energy distribution company RST). Wind turbines will be manufactured, installed, adjusted and set into action by Enercon GmbH staff. After Wind Park's commissioning it is planed to sign additional agreement on turbines maintenance between companies.

A project implementation schedule is presented in Table 3.

#### Table 3. Project implementation schedule.

| Project stage   | Completion date/Deadline |
|---|--------------------------|
| Start of Project activities (decision of the board on preparation business plan for Project development including JI consideration) | 2008-10                  |
| Business plan preparation   | 2008-12                  |
| Technical design  | 2009-05                  |
| Building of roads   | 2010-10                  |
| Constructional works  | 2010-11                  |
| Transportation of wind turbines   | 2010-11                  |
| Installation of wind turbines   | 2010-12                  |
| Reconstruction of substation  | 2010-12                  |
| Laying down the power cables  | 2010-12                  |
| Start-up works  | 2011-01                  |



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The obtained permits on wind power park erection are presented in table 4.

| No. | Permit/license   | Date of issuance: | Valid before:                            |
|-----|--|-------------------|--|
| 1.  | Permit to enhance the energy generation capacity No. LP-0210 | 26 01 2009        | 26 01 2011 (may be extended for 6 month) |
| 2.  | Constructional permit on wind turbines erection              | 03 11 2009        | 10 years                                 |

Based on wind measurement results Project's power production forecast was performed by staff of company Enercon – 14490 MWh/year. Considering declared technical availability of 96% (the Enercon's Operation and Maintenance contract) the reasonable annual power production forecast was reduced by 4%. Similar practice is used in other Lithuanian wind power projects<sup>2</sup>. Additionally electrical loses impact (not evaluated in Enercon's assessment) were considered therefore annual production forecast was reduced by  $2\%^3$ . The estimate has 94% probability of occurrence and can thus be considered as very conservative (Table 5).

# Table 5. Seirijai wind power park power production forecast

| Project                  | Energy output, MWh/year |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Seirijai wind power park | 13620                   |

The approach on 13620 MWh/year power production will be used in further calculations.

# A.4.4. Brief explanation of how the anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases by sources are to be reduced by the proposed <u>small-scale project</u>, including why the emission reductions would not occur in the absence of the proposed <u>small-scale project</u>, taking into account national and/or sectoral policies and circumstances:

The renewable electricity produced by the wind power plants would displace carbon intensive electricity produced from fossil fuel sources in the Lithuanian power network. Lithuanian electric power network is being operated by Lietuvos Energija. Foremost, they purchase power quotas (on basis of the prior signed contracts) from electric power producers. The producers may also supply electric power, exceeding the quotas, at a lower price. The difference in national demand for the electric power and total production thereof (quotas and over-quotas) is being covered by Lietuvos Elektrine. Thus, if the implementation of this JI Project fails, the estimated electric power would be produced by Lietuvos Elektrine using fossil fuels – natural gas, heavy fuel oil and orimulsion. It was calculated that Lietuvos Elektrine, by generating 1 MWh of electric power, contributes to the pollution of atmosphere with 0,626 tones of CO2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benaiciai wind power project, April 2008, PDD version 06

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sudenai and Lendimai wind power joint implementation project. Final determination. File - Enclosure 2 "Energy yeld assessment 0046".

http://ji.unfccc.int/UserManagement/FileStorage/EDQXVA2WJZO01NUMYITL7S9FPCG5R8

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The chapter B.1. describe baseline calculation details. The chapter B.2. includes estimation of the GHG emission reductions of the JI Project which have been calculated conservatively on basis of the above carbon emission factor of 0,626 tCO2e/MWh and the expected power production.

The proposed JI Project supports Lithuania's objective to increase the share of renewable electricity to 7% by year  $2010^4$ . To comply with this undertaking Lithuania would need to achieve 450 GWh electricity production from renewable energy sources and mainly from wind energy. This would amount to ca. 200 MW of installed wind power capacity.

The Law of the Republic of Lithuania on Energy points out promotion of consumption of renewable energy resources as one of the principal objectives of regulation of state energy sector activities<sup>5</sup>. The law provides that the state encourages the producers to generate electricity from renewable energy sources by imposing the "must carry" obligations. The Resolution on the promotion of electricity produced from renewable energy sources declares that grid operator obliges to purchase green electricity from the licensed grid-connected producers at the fixed feed-in-tariffs<sup>6</sup>.

In order to provide incentives for wind power development the government has issued legislation regulating obligatory purchase of wind power at a price of 0,30 LTL per kWh  $(0,087 \text{ EUR})^7$ . Such a feed-in tariff is expected to remain until year 2020. In order to obtain the mentioned feed-in tariff the wind power plant must be built in one of the six zones for which tenders for grid connection are organized by Lietuvos Energija - the electricity transmission system operator in Lithuania.

The above feed-in tariff for wind power is unfortunately not sufficient for commercial development of the wind power sector. Thus all recent wind power developments are being carried out under the JI scheme.

After the introduction of power spot market in Lithuania, the difference of power spot price and the feed-in tariff will be compensated for green power producers. The regulation envisages that the feed-in-tariff scheme will be replaced by green certificate scheme in 2021, hence the feed-in-tariffs are valid until 2021.

A.4.4.1. Estimated amount of emission reductions over the crediting period:

| Crediting period   | 2 years and 0 months  |
|--|---|
| Year   | Estimate of annual emission<br>reductions in tones of CO2<br>equivalent |
| 2011   | 8526  |
| 2012   | 8526  |
| Total estimated emission reductions over the crediting period (tones of CO2 equivalent)                | 17053   |
| Annual average of estimated emission reductions<br>over the crediting period (tones of CO2 equivalent) | 8526  |

# Table 6. Estimated emission reductions

After year 2012 by following year estimated annual emission reduction – 8526 tones of CO2 equivalent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> COM 2001/77/EC: Directive on Electricity Production from Renewable Energy Sources

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Law on Energy (16 May 2002 No.IX-884) <u>http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc\_1?p\_id=244185</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 2001-12-05 Resolution on the promotion of electricity produced from renewable energy sources No.1474 <u>http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc 1?p\_id=342973</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 2008-02-28 Resolution of the national price and energy control commission No.03-27 http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc 1?p id=315044



# A.4.5. Confirmation that the proposed <u>small-scale project</u> is not a <u>debundled</u> component of a larger <u>project</u>:

The Seirijai wind power park with a combined capacity of 6,00 MW(e) is not a debundled component of a larger project due to the following reasons:

- The project boundaries of all existing wind power parks in Lithuania are different;
- All existing wind parks in Lithuania are covered under JI scheme already;
- The project owners of other wind power parks that are under operation in Lithuania are different.

# A.5. Project approval by the Parties involved:

The project idea (project idea note) was approved by Lithuanian DFP (Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania) and the Letter of Endorsement (LoE) was issued on 31.03.2009 No.(10-7)-D8-2752.

According to national Joint Implementation Project development rules, the final Project approval or Letter of Approval might be issued only after draft Project determination report submission to Lithuanian DFP.

#### SECTION B. Baseline

#### **B.1.** Description and justification of the <u>baseline</u> chosen:

Baseline - the amount of GHG that would be emitted to the atmosphere during the crediting period of the project, i.e. in 2010-2012, in case the Project was not implemented.

Project baseline was chosen in accordance with appendix B of the JI guidelines and the Guidance on criteria for baseline setting and monitoring., using the following stepwise approach:

#### Step 1. Indication and description of the approach chosen regarding baseline setting

Paragraphs 1.3 of appendix B of the JI guidelines define criteria for baseline setting A baseline shall be established:

- i. On a project-specific basis and/or using a multi-project emissions factor;
- ii. In a transparent manner with regard to the choice of approaches, assumptions, methodologies, parameters, data sources and key factors;
- iii. Taking into account relevant national and/or sectoral policies and circumstances, such as sectoral reform initiatives, local fuel availability, power sector expansion plans, and the economic situation in the project sector;
- iv. In such a way that ERUs cannot be earned for decreases in activity levels outside the project or due to force majeure; and
- v. Taking account of uncertainties and using conservative assumptions.

Taking into consideration the specifics of the Lithuanian power market, the methodology based on historical data is most suitable for country's baseline estimation. Furthermore, the usage of described methodology allows to have united country's baseline scenario and baseline emissions (tonne CO2 per

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MWh of electricity). Based on this fact it was chosen to use JI specific approach by using a multi-project emissions factor adopted by Lithuanian Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania.

# Step 2. Application of the approach chosen

The country's baseline scenario and baseline emissions factor have been described by Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania during National Allocation Plan (NAP) preparation for First commitment period (2008-2012). The European Commission during supervision of NAP didn't rejected country's baseline methodology. The NAP indicates that Lithuanian baseline emissions factor is 0,626 tCO2/MWhe<sup>8</sup>.

The Baseline methodology that is indicated in the NAP is based on historic data of Lietuvos Elektrine and this method is best suited for Lithuanian power market. Approved CDM ACM0002 methodology is not used for the baseline calculation due to the following reasons:

- Lietuvos Elektrine, power plant with the second largest installed capacity in Lithuania (after Ignalina nuclear power plant –INPP) is operating on the power gird as a marginal plant. It covers all power demand which is remaining after all other power producers have supplied their quota power to the grid. Hence, by simply including all these power plants operating on the grid (excl. INPP) would bias the Operating Margin emissions factor.
- There is an overcapacity of installed power in Lithuania, so only very few new power plants are built. Because of that, it is impossible to calculate properly the Build Margin emissions factor.

Baseline emissions (BE) are calculated as following:

$$BE = E_{SP} \times EF_{GRID}$$

Where, BE = Baseline emissions (tCO2/year)  $E_{SP}$  = Net Electricity supply by Seirijai wind power park (MWh/year)  $EF_{GRID}$  = Emission factor for grid connected power generation (0,626 tCO2/MWh)

When net electricity supply  $(E_{SP})$  is calculated:

 $E_{SP} = E_{sup} - E_{con}$ 

Where:  $E_{sup}$  = Electricity supplied to the grid by the project (MWhe/year)  $E_{con}$  = Electricity consumed from the grid by the project (MWhe/year)

|  | Key information an | data used to esta | ablish the baseline | scenario: |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
|--|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|

| Data/Parameter EF <sub>GRID</sub> |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Data unit                         | tCO <sub>2</sub> /MWhe                      |
| Description                       | Emission factor from fossil fuel burning by |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Lithuanian National allocation plan 2008-2012 (18.04.2007 version), section 6.3. http://www.am.lt/VI/files/0.127744001228738706.pdf



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|   | Lithuanian condensing power plant                |
|---|--|
| Time of determination/monitoring                      | Year 2002-2005                                   |
| Source of data (to be) used                           | Lithuanian National allocation plan 2008-2012    |
|   | (18.04.2007 version)                             |
| Value of data applied                                 | 0,626 tCO2/MWhe                                  |
| (for ex ante calculations/determinations)             |  |
| Justification of the choice of data or description of | Emission factor is used in positively determined |
| measurement methods and procedures (to be)            | projects No.0178, 0034, 0025                     |
| applied   |  |
| QA/QC procedures (to be) applied                      | Public data sources                              |
| Any comment   |  |

| Data/Parameter  | E <sub>sup</sub>                                   |
|---|--|
| Data unit   | MWhe   |
| Description   | Electricity supply by Seirijai wind power park     |
| Time of determination/monitoring                      | Monthly  |
| Source of data (to be) used                           | Deeds of transfer and acceptance from AB           |
|   | Lietuvos energija                                  |
| Value of data applied                                 | To be monitored                                    |
| (for ex ante calculations/determinations)             |  |
| Justification of the choice of data or description of | The data reading from commercial power metering    |
| measurement methods and procedures (to be)            | devices will be executed remotely by SCADA         |
| applied   |  |
| QA/QC procedures (to be) applied                      | Data will be double checked with receipt of sales, |
|   | with the SCADA system as back-up.                  |
| Any comment   |  |

| Data/Parameter  | E <sub>con</sub>                                   |
|---|--|
| Data unit   | MWhe   |
| Description   | Electricity consumption by Seirijai wind power     |
|   | park   |
| Time of determination/monitoring                      | Monthly  |
| Source of data (to be) used                           | Deeds of transfer and acceptance from AB           |
|   | Lietuvos energija                                  |
| Value of data applied                                 | To be monitored                                    |
| (for ex ante calculations/determinations)             |  |
| Justification of the choice of data or description of | The data reading from commercial power metering    |
| measurement methods and procedures (to be)            | devices will be executed remotely by SCADA         |
| applied   |  |
| QA/QC procedures (to be) applied                      | Data will be double checked with receipt of sales, |
|   | with the SCADA system as back-up.                  |
| Any comment   |  |

# **B.2.** Description of how the anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases by sources are reduced below those that would have occurred in the absence of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

JI project's additionally indicates the GHG reduction after implementation of JI project in comparison to the baseline. Usually financial efficiency of JI projects is low, thus income from ERU's sale help to promote their development and implementation. This economic promotion also reduces project's payback time.

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Additionality of the Seirijai wind power park was proven using the following stepwise approach:

#### Step 1. Indication and description of the approach applied

Paragraph 2 of Annex I of JI guidelines define criteria for baseline setting indicates that additionality can be demonstrated, inter alia, by using following approach:

(c) Application of the most recent version of the "Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality" approved by the CDM Executive Board (allowing for a grace period of two months when the PDD is submitted for publication on the UNFCCC JI website), or any other method for proving additionality approved by the CDM Executive Board.

Therefore the most recent - the version 05.2 of the Tool for the Demonstration and Assessment of Additionality was used for the Seirijai wind power park.

#### Step 2. Application of the approach chosen

Seirijai wind power park's additionality will be proven using a step-wise approach and following steps:

- Identification of alternatives to the project activity;
- Investment analysis to determine that the proposed project activity is either: 1) not the most economically or financially attractive, or 2) not economically or financially feasible;
- Barriers analysis; and
- Common practice analysis

#### Step 3. Provision of additionality proof

# Step 1. Identification of alternatives to the project activity consistent with current laws and regulations

#### Sub-step 1a. Define alternatives to the project activity:

- Alternative A the proposed project activity not undertaken as JI project activity;
- Alternative B the electric power in the Lithuanian network will be produced by new modern cogeneration power plants.

#### Sub-step 1b. Consistency with mandatory laws and regulations:

The both alternatives are in compliance with mandatory legislation and regulations.

The <u>alternative's A</u> development might be considered due to promotion of renewable energy sources use according national legislation. The Lithuania has obligation against EU to increase the share of renewable electricity to 7% by end of year 2010<sup>9</sup>. To comply with this undertaking Lithuania would need to achieve ca. 450 GWh electricity production only from renewable energy sources and the wind is first priority. In order to give incentives for business of wind energy parks, the government has issued legislation regulating the obligatory purchase of wind power electricity for fixed feed-in tariff 0,30 LTL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament. Green Paper follow-up action. Report on progress in renewable electricity. Brussels, 10.1.2007, p.8



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per kWh i.e. 8,69 EUR cents per kWh (1 EUR = 3,4528 LTL). Unfortunately the set feed-in tariff is not sufficient to realize the proposed project on a commercial basis. Additional income from the sale of ERUs under the Kyoto Joint Implementation scheme is thus required to turn the project attractive for the investors. It means that Alternative's A development is fully eligible but project payback time without carbon credit revenues become longer (the IRR of the project without ERUs revenues is lower).

The <u>alternative's B</u> development might be considered based on the fact that wind energy projects still are low financial attractive and with long payback period. Usually the power from the wind energy is more expensive comparison with other renewable energy sources (biomass, geothermal, hydro), and it means that expansion of wind energy generation will take negative impact for end users power price (increase of tariff for inhabitants and industry consumers). Furthermore the wind energy power generation is not stable and other generation capacity reserve is necessary always. Such facts influence small support from state side. The state's obligation on 7% "green energy" generation before end of 2010 might be achieved by supporting usage of biomass and small and medium scale cogeneration (expansion of CHP). The current legislation supports biomass and cogeneration usage. Moreover EU structural funds are available for new cogeneration plants but not for wind power projects in Lithuania. The practice shows that biomass or cogeneration projects has higher IRR and are more financial attractive. It means that Alternative's B development is fully eligible as well.

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#### Step 2. Investment analysis

#### Sub-step 2a. Determine appropriate analysis method

Simple cost analysis (option I) is not applicable for the project as the income from sale of 'carbon credits' is not the only source of revenues for the project.

Investment comparison analysis (option II) is not applicable for the project as the alternative "A" is the project itself but without an JI incentive and on the other hand the alternative "B" is based on investment that is out of control of the Project developer, i.e. project could be developed by a different entity (as described in paragraph 15 in the Annex to the *Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality v.05.2*).

Benchmark analysis (option III) will be used for this project as it is the only applicable method.

Because there is no specific investment benchmarks for the Lithuanian power sector that currently exists the needed benchmark value for that analysis will be derived from the financial and economic indicators that is standard for the country and are public available. The benchmark analysis has been adopted wherein the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) of the project activity serves as a benchmark to assess the financial attractiveness of the project activity. Option III assesses if the project's returns are sufficient for investors to make the initial investment and further bear the associated costs of successfully operating the project activity over the crediting period of the project

#### Sub-step 2b. – Option III. Apply Benchmark analysis

In order to apply a benchmark comparable to the project IRR the project participant selected to use <u>average value of the interest rate (AVIR)</u> on loans for non-financial corporations published by the central Bank of Lithuania (LB). The AVIR is the benchmark interest rate at which Lithuanian commercial banks and other financial institutions (unions, funds and etc.) lend money to their customers.

Typically, projects in Lithuania would be borrowing debt at a rate equal to or higher than the AVIR. Hence, for any project to be financially attractive, the IRR of the project must be higher than the



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rate of borrowing on debt (i.e. higher than the AVIR). Accordingly, if any project's IRR does not exceed the AVIR, it could be considered a financially unattractive project.

The use of the AVIR is consistent with the Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality v.05.2 which suggests that "...benchmarks for IRR, NPV, etc. can be derived from....Estimates of the cost of financing and required return on capital (e.g. commercial lending rates and guarantees required for the country and the type of project activity concerned), based on bankers views and private equity investors/funds' required return on comparable projects".

The AVIR that was taken for consideration in the PDD (7,77%) is based on the official board's decision making time data (October 2008)<sup>10</sup> (Figure 2). For comparison the VILIBOR (Vilnius Interbank Offered Rate) value (for 1 year period) was added<sup>11</sup>. VILIBOR is based on the quotes of not less than 5 local commercial banks, designated by the Bank of Lithuania, which are most active in Lithuanian money market. Banks by lending money for its clients takes VILIBOR value as basis. Moreover banks always add its fixed margin (%).



Figure 2. Loans interest rate in Lithuania

In order to keep this benchmark conservative no risk premium associated with the project type or the project developer was added to it. Further, AVIR's is in itself a conservative benchmark as it does not take into account the commercial lending rates of individual private sector banks which are typically higher than AVIR (because VILIBOR+bank margin).

#### Sub-step 2c. Calculation and comparison of financial indicators

1) Parameters needed for calculation of key financial indicators:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Statistic, the Bank of Lithuania, 11 01 2010 <u>http://www.lb.lt/eng/statistic/index.html</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Statistic, the Bank of Lithuania, 11 01 2010 <u>http://www.lb.lt/eng/statistic/index.html</u>



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| Parameter  | Value                              | Unit     | Source                         |
|--|------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Total investment costs                                     | 8511                               | Ths.EUR  | Contracts with third parties   |
| Annual operation and maintenance costs first 5 years       | 72,96                              | Ths.EUR  | O&M contract<br>with Enercon   |
| Annual operation and maintenance costs first after 5 years | 146,49                             | Ths.EUR  | O&M contract<br>with Enercon   |
| Annual electricity production                              | 13620                              | MWh/year | Enercon data                   |
| Feed-in tariff till 2020                                   | 86,89                              | EUR/MWh  | Public sources                 |
| Wholesale electricity price after 2020                     | 46,42                              | EUR/MWh  | Baltpool information           |
| Project life time  | 20                                 | Year     | Enercon data                   |
| ERU crediting period                                       | 2,0<br>(01.01.2011-<br>31.12.2012) | Year     | Kyoto<br>agreement's<br>period |
| ERU market price   | 11,00                              | Euro     | Market<br>overview             |

Table 7. Parameters for calculation of key financial indicators

2) Comparison of IRR for the Project and the benchmark

In accordance with benchmark analysis (Option III), if the financial indicators of the proposed project, such as the project IRR, are lower than the benchmark, the proposed project is not considered to be financially attractive.

Table 8 shows the comparison of the project IRR with benchmark value. In both cases the project IRR is lower than the benchmark value. It means that project is financially unattractive on present market conditions. Additional revenues from ERUs sale increasing project IRR from 5,86% (<u>Alternative A</u>) to 6,07%. Therefore the JI revenues enable the Project to overcome the investment barrier and demonstrate the additionality of the Project.

| Table 8. Pro | ject IRR in two | o scenarios |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|

|                 | Project IRR |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Without ERUs    | 5,86%       |
| With ERUs       | 6,07%       |
| Benchmark value | 7,77%       |

For comparison – the average IRR of new natural gas based cogeneration power plants is about 8-10%. However, EU structural funds are available for new cogeneration plants (up to 50% from all investments) but not for wind power projects in Lithuania. With the EU structural support IRR of new cogeneration plants jumps up to around 15%. This fact makes cogeneration option more attractive for



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the investors compared to the wind power. As concrete example may be used the new erected CHP plant example (Panevezys CHP) where the project IRR is  $16,2\%^{12}$  (<u>Alternative B</u>).

# Sub-step 2d. Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis shall show whether the conclusion regarding the financial attractiveness is robust to reasonable variations in the critical assumptions.

According to *the Tool for the Demonstration and Assessment of Additionality, v.05.2*, minimal variation range should be in ±10% level.

For the Project, three parameters were selected as sensitive factors to assess the financial attractiveness:

- 1) Energy tariff variation after 2020
- 2) Annual Electricity Output
- 3) ERUs sale price

# Table 9. Project sensitivity analysis

|                           | -20%  | -10%  | 0%    | +10%  | +20%  |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Energy tariff variation   | 5,25% | 5,69% | 6,07% | 6,38% | 6,68% |
| Annual electricity output | 2,95% | 4,59% | 6,07% | 7,28% | 8,45% |
| ERUs sale price           | 6,03% | 6,05% | 6,07% | 6,09% | 6,11% |



# Figure 3. Project IRR sensitivity

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> UNFCCC webpage, JI Project - Rudaiciai wind power park, PDDs supporting documentation Enclosure3 – IRR for cogeneration plant Panevezys



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The sensitivity analysis shows that the annual power production is crucial factor for project economic. From the figure 3 it might be seen that the Project IRR becomes higher than benchmark IRR when the annual electricity output increase about 14%. The power production is variable and depends from on site wind conditions and wind turbines technical characteristics. The used power generation approach gives for project the capacity factor – 25,9%, that is average result in practice, for ex. Rudaiciai<sup>13</sup> and Benaiciai<sup>14</sup> wind power projects real capacity factor during 2007-2010 period is 23,3% and 25,6% accordingly. The planned capacity factor for Rudaiciai project was 28,1% when for Benaiciai -28,9%. Presented data shows that project capacity factor estimation is conservative and probability of higher energy generation is minimal.

Energy tariff price after year 2020 depends from market situation and global energy recourses prices.

The additional revenue from ERUs sale gives more attractiveness and gives positive impact for Project additionallity. The ERUs sale price was estimated based on "carbon credits" market overview.

The sensitivity analysis confirms the fact that the project is not enough financially attractive and revenues from ERUs sale gives the chance to improve its financial figures.

Annual operation and maintenance costs weren't considered in sensitivity analysis due to fixed its values according O&M contract (EPK) between project owner ant Enercon GmbH.

Result: Pass

#### Step 3. Barrier analysis

According to Tool for the Demonstration and Assessment of Additionality methodology "If after the sensitivity analysis it is concluded that the proposed CDM project activity is unlikely to be the most financially attractive (as per step 2c para 8a) or is unlikely to be financially attractive (as per step 2c para 8b), then proceed to Step 4 (Common practice analysis)".

#### Step 4. Common practice analysis

#### Sub-step 4a. Analyze other activities similar to the proposed project activity:

Currently wind energy parks with total capacity 80MW and singly wind turbines with total capacity 11,2MW are under operation in Lithuania. All wind energy parks are covered under JI scheme already. There are no information about other wind energy parks that is under operation without JI scheme in the country.

The Seirijai wind power park is not related with existing wind parks and will be developed individually.

#### Sub-step 4b. Discuss any similar options that are occurring:

The practice shows that there are several main obstacles which have negative impact on widen project development in wind energy sector in Lithuania:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> JI projects - Rudaiciai wind power park, PDD and verification reports http://ji.unfccc.int/JI Projects/JI Projects/DeterAndVerif/Verif/FinVerif.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> JI project - Benaiciai wind power park PDD and verification reports http://ji.unfccc.int/JI Projects/JI Projects/DeterAndVerif/Verif/FinVerif.html



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- Long wind energy projects pay back period. Due to big investments demand and constantly raising of prices of wind turbines (for ex. the Enercon turbines prices up approx. by 30% during last two years), raw materials (steel), civil works wages) the wind energy projects still are financially unattractive.
- Based on above mentioned reason the debt funding is complicated (the annual rate is increasing due to instable world economic situation).
- No financial support for wind electricity generation is foreseen under the EU structural funds or any other multilateral or bilateral sources.
- Tender rules for grid connection in dedicated zones require a significant initial down-payment.
- Approval of dedicated zones means that only limited land areas might be used for wind energy projects. Such reason influenced the strong rising of prices and scarcity of land for availability of such projects development;
- There is insecurity regarding purchase of wind power when trading on hourly basis comes into effect after the establishment of the spot market. Lietuvos energija has the right to disconnect the wind power-plant park from the power network in case of the system overload.

Based on above mentioned reasons the JI revenue has been considered since the early stages of development of Seririjai wind power park and is an integral part of financing the Project. As explained in Step 2, the fixed price offered for wind power is not high enough to make the Project activity financial viable. If the project developer will be able to sell the ERUs from the project activity, then the additional revenue from these sales would improve the financial viability and shall make the project more attractive.

Result: Pass

# **B.3.** Description of how the definition of the <u>project boundary</u> is applied to the <u>small-scale project</u>:

The BASREC JI Project Guidelines describes project boundaries as theoretical boundaries, determining the scope of project's impact on GHG emissions. The sources of GHG involved in project boundaries represent the sources involved in baseline calculations.

The project boundary is drawn around the physical boundary of the wind power plants (i.e. the wind turbines and generators) and the power plants of AB Lietuvos Elektrine, the power generation of which the wind power plants would replace. Other producers as well as consumers of electric power are not included into project boundary due to the structure of Lithuanian power grid (see section B1).



Figure 4. Project boundaries



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# **B.4.** Further <u>baseline</u> information, including the date of <u>baseline</u> setting and the name(s) of the person(s)/entity(ies) setting the <u>baseline</u>:

Date of Baseline setting: 02/11/2010

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# SECTION C. Duration of the small-scale project / crediting period

# C.1. Starting date of the <u>small-scale project</u>:

Start of the Seirijai wind power park's activities -01/05/2009 (technical project preparation). Energy generation is planed from January 2011.

#### C.2. Expected operational lifetime of the small-scale project:

Planned operational lifetime of wind power park is 20 years (01/2011-12/2030).

#### C.3. Length of the crediting period:

The starting date of the crediting period is set to 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2011. First crediting period consist 2 years and 0 months (2011–2012).

In case of additional international treaties between the parties of Kyoto protocol are signed, the crediting period may be extended for additional internationally agreed period.





# SECTION D. Monitoring plan

#### D.1. Description of monitoring plan chosen:

The main requirements, being imposed on the monitoring plan, are pointed out in the Annex B of Chapter 6 of the Kyoto protocol (Decision 9/CMP.1, "Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol"). The following points have to be considered in the monitoring plan:

- All the data necessary to the evaluation or the collection and storage of the data from all the sources of anthropogenic emissions and/or leakage. These data are being collected and stored during all the crediting period;
- The collection and storage of all the data necessary for the calculation of the baseline from all the anthropogenic sources and leakage during all the crediting period;
- The determination of all the potential sources, the collection of information about them and storage of it in case of increasing GHG emissions from the anthropogenic sources as well as leakage that have intense and significant impact on the project during its crediting period and that are outside the project boundaries. The project boundaries must involve all the sources and leakage of anthropogenic pollution under the maintenance of the participants of the project;
- The storage of the information about the state of environmental protection according to the requirements of the hosting country;
- The assurance of the quality of the monitoring and the procedures of control;
- The periodic calculation of the saved GHG, according to all the sources and leakage, if such are present.

The monitoring plan is attached as the Annex 3.

It was calculated that generating 1 MWh of electric power, contributes to the pollution of atmosphere with 0,626 tones of CO2 (see chapter B.1.). In accordance to the baseline scenario Seirijai wind power park would displace carbon intensive electricity produced from fossil fuel sources. Baseline emissions will be monitored using the following formulae.

 $ER = E_{SP} \times EF_{GRID}$ 

Where:

ER - emission reductions, tCO2

 $E_{SP}$  – net power dispatched to the grid from Seirijai wind power park (difference between supplied into grid power and consumed from the grid power), kWh  $EF_{GRID}$  – emission factor for power production in Lithuania, 0,626 tCO2/MWh





 $E_{SP} = Esup - Econ$ 

Where:

Esup = Electricity supplied to the grid by the project (MWh/year) Econ = Electricity consumed from the grid by the project (MWh/year)

See baseline study and methodology for detail on how  $EF_{GRID}$  is estimated (B.1.)

**D.2.** Data to be monitored:

Key information and data used for monitoring plan setup:

| Data/Parameter   | Esup   |
|--|--|
| Data unit  | MWhe   |
| Description  | The data of commercial power meter on electricity supplied to the grid from Seirijai wind power park   |
| Time of determination/monitoring   | Per certain period (for ex. per month)   |
| Source of data (to be) used  | Deeds of transfer and acceptance from Lietuvos energija.   |
| Value of data applied<br>(for ex ante calculations/determinations)   | -  |
| Justification of the choice of data or description of<br>measurement methods and procedures (to be)<br>applied | Data will be aggregated monthly (yearly) and double checked with receipt of sales, with the SCADA system as back-up  |
| QA/QC procedures (to be) applied   | The data reading from commercial power metering devices will be executed remotely by SCADA.<br>The installed current and voltage transformers will be certified and inspected by accredited companies (for<br>ex. Lithuania and Germany Ltd. FESLA which has calibration and testing laboratory). Commercial power<br>metering devices will be installed and under operation from RST side.<br>RST will carry out periodical supervision, calibration and maintenance of metering devices. |
| Any comment  | Historical data will be kept for min. 5 years period.  |

| Data/Parameter | Econ   |
|----------------|--|
| Data unit      | MWhe   |
| Description    | The data of commercial power meter on electricity consumed from the grid by Seirijai wind power park |

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#### Key information and data used for monitoring plan setup:

| Data/Parameter   | ER  |
|--|---|
| Data unit  | tCO2  |
| Description  | Emission reduction                                      |
| Time of determination/monitoring   | Per certain period (for ex. per year)                   |
| Source of data (to be) used  | Deeds of transfer and acceptance from Lietuvos energija |
| Value of data applied<br>(for ex ante calculations/determinations)   | 0,626 tCO2/MWhe   |
| Justification of the choice of data or description of<br>measurement methods and procedures (to be)<br>applied | Calculations based on baseline emissions (B.1.)         |
| QA/QC procedures (to be) applied   | Public data sources                                     |
| Any comment  | Historical data will be kept for min. 5 years period.   |

Data and parameters that are not monitored throughout the crediting period, but are determined only once (and thus remain fixed throughout the crediting period), and that are available already at the stage of determination regarding the PDD:

 $EF_{GRID}$  – emission factor for power production in Lithuania, 0,626tCO2/MWh



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Data and parameters that are not monitored throughout the crediting period, but are determined only once (and thus remain fixed throughout the crediting period), but that are not already available at the stage of determination regarding the PDD: None

Data and parameters that are monitored throughout the crediting period: Esup – power supplied to the grid from Seirijai wind power park, kWh/year Econ – power consumed from the grid from Seirijai wind power park project, kWh/year

The monitoring plan is attached as the Annex 3

#### **D.3.** Quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures undertaken for data monitored:

| Data                | Uncertainty level of | Explain QA/QC procedures planned for these data, or why such procedures are not necessary.   |
|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| (Indicate table and | data                 |  |
| ID number)          | (high/medium/low)    |  |
| Esp                 | Low                  | Data will be directly measured by commercial meter installed in the substation. This equipment will be sealed, calibrated<br>and checked periodically for accuracy. In addition, all metered data will be double checked by receipts of electricity sales,<br>with SCADA system as back-up.<br>Gemba, UAB will collect and keep copies of calibration and maintenance documents of power devices.<br>In the case of setting of prime commercial metering device failure, dispatched to the grid energy will be controlled through<br>secondary metering device that is connected in parallel to prime energy meter (usually system has two energy meters). |

#### Table 9. Quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures undertaken for data monitored

#### D.4. Brief description of the operational and management structure that will be applied in implementing the monitoring plan:

It is planed that the operation and maintenance (O&M) works of Seirijai wind power park will be done by company Enercon Gmbh that will have an agreement on such services with Gemba, UAB. The company Gemba, UAB has two employees – CEO and chief accountant. The company's CEO shall perform all Project based supervision works.

The monitoring report based on monitoring plan will be prepared by Gemba's director based on monthly deeds of transfer and acceptance received from national operator's Lietuvos energija side. Monitoring of supplied and consumed (for own purposes if necessary) power will be measured by the commercial power meters. The commercial meters data will be transferred to Lietuvos energija side by SCADA system (through telemetry way) and based on those readings Lietuvos energija will issue invoices to Gemba, UAB. Moreover data on net energy output into national grid will be published officially on Lietuvos energija website.





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The received original invoices will be kept into Gemba, UAB accountancy for 10 year period.

For the quality assurance, an audit company will be contracted to revise company's financial results including the monitoring reports. Revision will include verification of the data sources and calculations. Power dispatch documents will be archived at Gemba, UAB for later reference for the proof of the monitoring results. Lietuvos energija and RST are responsible for the periodical supervision, calibration and maintenance of the commercial power metering devices.

#### **D.5.** Name of person(s)/entity(ies) establishing the <u>monitoring plan</u>:

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#### SECTION E. Estimation of greenhouse gas emission reductions

#### E.1. Estimated project emissions and formulae used in the estimation:

Park's energy consumption from the grid value will be covered by equal value of generated power, i.e. supplied to the national grid power will be reduced by this value. It means power consumption emissions will be accounted and therefore project emissions are considered equal to zero.

# E.2. Estimated leakage and formulae used in the estimation, if applicable:

There are no direct or indirect emissions outside the project boundary attributable to the project activity.

#### **E.3.** Sum of **E.1.** and **E.2.**:

E.1.+E.2.=0

# E.4. Estimated <u>baseline</u> emissions and formulae used in the estimation:

Baseline emissions (BE) are calculated as following:

 $BE = E_{SP} x EF_{GRID}$ 

Where,

BE = Baseline emissions (tCO2/year)  $E_{SP} = Net Electricity \text{ supplied to the grid by the project (MWh/year)}$  $EF_{GRID} = Emission \text{ factor of the power plants based on fossil fuel (0,626 tCO2/MWh)}$ 

Calculation of  $EF_{GRID}$  is presented in B1 and monitoring in D.4.

 $E_{SP} = Esup - Econ$ 

Where: Esup = Electricity supplied to the grid by the project (MWh/year) Econ = Electricity consumed from the grid by the project (MWh/year)

 $E_{SP}$  values are based on power production forecast (see A.4.3.). Total baseline emissions (BE) for period 2011-2012 are 17053 tCO2

| Year  | 2011 | 2012 | Total: |
|---|------|------|--------|
| Baseline emissions = Project emission<br>Reductions, tCO2 | 8526 | 8526 | 17053  |

# E.5. Difference between E.4. and E.3. representing the emission reductions of the <u>project</u>:

Because project emissions are zero, the emissions reductions are the same as the baseline emissions.

| Year  | 2011 | 2012 | Total: |
|---|------|------|--------|
| Baseline emissions = Project emission<br>Reductions, tCO2 | 8526 | 8526 | 17053  |

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# E.6. Table providing values obtained when applying formulae above:

| Year            | Estimated project<br>emissions (tonnes<br>of CO2 equivalent) | Estimated<br>leakage (tonnes<br>of CO2 equivalent) | Estimated<br>baseline<br>emissions<br>(tonnes of<br>CO2 equivalent) | Estimated<br>emission<br>reductions (tonnes<br>of CO2 equivalent) |
|-----------------|--|--|---|---|
| 2011            | 0  | 0  | 8526  | 8526  |
| 2012            | 0  | 0  | 8526  | 8526  |
| Total 2009-2012 | 0  | 0  | 17053   | 17053   |

#### Table 10. Project emission reductions

After year 2012 by following year estimated annual emission reduction – 8526 tones of CO2 equivalent.

#### **SECTION F.** Environmental impacts

# F.1. Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts of the <u>project</u>, including transboundary impacts, in accordance with procedures as determined by the <u>host Party</u>:

According to the Communications No.05-02-144 of Alytus Regional Department of Environment of Lithuanian Ministry of Environment of January 20, 2004, the conclusion, concerning the environmental impact of the planned economic activity, was drawn that the environmental impact assessment of the planned economic activity – installation and maintenance of wind power plants – is not required. The above stated conclusion was drawn because (the extract from the above mentioned documents):

- In the territory of planned economic activity within 330-350 m radius where is potential 45 dB noise there are no living or protected areas;
- There are no birds' migration routes or "Natura2000" areas.
- Planned economic activity place is not in regional or national park territories.
- It was received acceptance (in written form) from local inhabitants for planed economic activity development.

Potential environmental impacts are described below.

#### <u>Atmosphere</u>

The project is considered to result not only in reduction of GHG but also in reduction of other pollutants such as SO2 and NOx. These pollutants are released to the atmosphere while generating electric power at Lietuvos elektrine. To calculate reductions of SO2 and NOx, the following formulas are used:

 $Eso_2 = P_{MWh} x EFso_2$ 

#### Where:

P<sub>MWh</sub> - is the electric power dispatched to the national grid, MWh/year;

EF<sub>s02</sub> – is the emissions factor, defining how many tones of SO2 is emitted to the atmosphere while producing 1 MWh of electric power.



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 $E_{NOx} = P_{MWh} x EF_{NOx}$ 

Where:

P<sub>MWh</sub> - is the electric power dispatched to the national grid, MWh/year; EF<sub>NOx</sub> - is the emissions factor, defining how many tones of NOx emerge, while producing 1 MWh of electric power.

The results of projected SO2 and NOx reduction during period 2011-2012 are given in Table 11.

| Table 11, 502 and 100X emission reductions |                     |                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Pollutant                                  | kg of pollutant/MWh | Amount of pollutant saved   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |                     | during the crediting period |  |  |  |  |  |
| SO2  | 0,45                | 12,6 t                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| NOx  | 0,95                | 26,7 t                      |  |  |  |  |  |

# Table 11. SO2 and NOx emission reductions

# Water

There are no open water pools within the project area. There is no risk to pollute the surface and/or ground water during the maintenance of the wind power park project. Water is not used for technological purposes in the wind power park so the wastewater will not be formed. Surface run-off from the wind power park territory will be drained away. For this purpose, drainage systems are reconstructed within the project area.

#### Soil

There will not be any significant impact on soil. The project area mainly consists of farmlands. During the construction process, in the power plant fundament areas, road construction areas and cable laying areas the upper layer of the soil which is 0,2-0,3m thick, will be separated and stored apart from other soil layers. After construction works are finalized, the loam will be re-cultivated and planted according to projects plans in order to avoid soil erosion.

#### <u>Flora / Fauna</u>

Based on data of operating wind power plants, there is no evidence of the impact of wind power plants on biological diversity. Hence, measures to recreate environmental biodiversity are not necessary. There are no envisaged tree cuttings or relocation in the project area. A grass-plot will be set in the area. There are no wild animal accumulation, feeding, mating, wintering of migration points in the project area that should be protected.

#### Impacts on birds

Seirijai wind power park is far away from bird migration routes. The probability of birds colliding with the wind power plants is very low. Therefore the impacts on birds are considered negligible. A study from the Danish Ministry of the Environment states that high voltage power lines is much greater danger to birds than the wind turbines themselves.

According to results of the studies performed by Danish and German scientists – wind power plants have no impacts on migration routes of birds. The studies in ES show that the risk of bird collisions with wind



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power plants is much smaller compared to the risks of bird collision with high voltage air power lines, cars, skyscraper, glass facades of buildings. After long term observations, the conclusions were drawn that birds have changed their migration routes according to new obstructions evolved on their way.

#### Impacts on animals

Noise, shadow and blinking effects and landscape fragmentation effect made by wind power park can disturb natural wildlife. However, Seirijai wind power park is surrounded by farmlands and rural areas situated away from wild animal habitats. Hence, the impact on wild animals is considered negligible.

# Protected areas

There are no protected areas within or nearby the project site. There are no protected species of flora or fauna within or close to the project site. Among other sources, such data was verified at the State Service for protected Areas under the Ministry of Environment<sup>15</sup>.

All nearest protected areas are within sufficient range away from the project site:

Juodbales zoological reservation (about 1,3 km) Trako botanic-zoological reservation (about 2,8 km) Zagariu geomorphologic reservation (about 3,4 km) Trako natural reservation (about 4,2 km) Meteliu landscape reservation (about 5,4 km) Obelytes natural reservation (about 9 km)

#### Cultural heritage

No valuable cultural heritages are registered in the Project area.

#### <u>Waste</u>

Waste in wind power park is minimal. No oil lubricants are used in Enercon turbines as there are no gear boxes in the construction. Any spare parts that are substituted with new ones during the operation and maintenance period of wind power park will be removed from the project site and recycled by the maintenance service provider.

#### **Physical impact**

#### Electromagnetic field

Electromagnetic field is formed around high voltage air power lines, at the transformer substations and other open power installations. Electromagnetic field is measured by the intensity of electric field (E, V/m) and by the intensity of magnetic field (H, A/m). Permissible intensity of electric field in residential (building) areas is up to 1kV/m without limitations for allowed exposure time and up to 5 kV/m in "green" zones (parks, gardens etc.) without limitation for exposure time (HN 104: 2000).

The potential sources of electromagnetic field in wind power park (generators and transformers) are generating low voltage and up to 100kW power capacity. The intensity of electric and magnetic fields are lower than the permissible level for residential areas (1kV/m). Electro-technical equipment of wind power plants are mounted in 90m height from the surface in the metal, connected to earth baskets, which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> State cadastre of protected areas <u>http://stk.vstt.lt</u>



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perform as electromagnetic shields. Zone of electromagnetic impact is not present in wind power park territory or in neighboring areas.

#### <u>Noise</u>

The sanitary zone with the radius of 300 m, was set around wind power plants according to the requirements. Maximum allowed noise level in the residential areas is 55dB at the night time and 65dB at the daytime (HN 33:2007). It is estimated that the Seirijai wind power park's noise level satisfy allowable values after 80m therefore no additional measures are needed to mitigate this impact. The closest living area (grange) is 330m away from the wind power park.

#### Visual impact

Wind power plants make landscape more urbanized. However, if the right planning concept is used -a visual impact can be minimized. The positioning of wind power plants is made optimal to integrate it into the landscape. The towers of wind power plants are painted into bright grey color which will fade them in the sky background.

Also, wind power plants, like all tall buildings cast shadow on the neighboring areas when the sun is visible. It also causes a blinking effect due to rotation of wind turbine wings. The shadowing effect is not relevant for the project. According to the preliminary calculations – shadows will be cast not more than 250m from the wind power plants. Bearing in mind that the closest living area are approx. 330 meters away – the shading effect is not considered as an impact.

#### Transboundary impact

The Project does not have any transboundary impact because the borderline of Poland Republic is over 22 km and the borderline of Russian Federation is over 33 km from Project location side. Project implementation and operation are fully under regulation of national legal acts.

F.2. If environmental impacts are considered significant by the <u>project participants</u> or the <u>host Party</u>, provision of conclusions and all references to supporting documentation of an environmental impact assessment undertaken in accordance with the procedures as required by the <u>host Party</u>:

The environmental impacts are nor considered as significant.

#### SECTION G. <u>Stakeholders</u>' comments

#### G.1. Information on stakeholders' comments on the project, as appropriate:

During detailed plan preparation, compulsory public consideration procedures were undertaken where stakeholders had possibilities to express his opinion. Compulsory written agreements of residents in surrounding areas were obtained during the process of detailed planning and technical project preparation process. Stakeholders have not expressed any objections.

The following steps were made during the stakeholder process (Table 12):



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| Table 12. Stakeholder process |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Date                          | Description  |  |  |  |  |
| 2003-10-08                    | Announcement about beginning of Project detailed plan preparation in the newspaper "Dzūkų žinios"  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004-03-05                    | Obtained written approval from air force regarding wind turbines erection  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004-03-26                    | Detailed plan placed in Lazdijai Municipality office for public review.  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004-03-27                    | Received written consents from all neighbour land owners regarding<br>endorsement of Project sanitary zones.   |  |  |  |  |
| 2004-05-11                    | Decision of the board of Lazdijai municipality regarding the approval of the project detailed plan.  |  |  |  |  |
| 2009-11-02                    | Obtained protocol of hygiene examination of the project documentation<br>prepared by Alytus centre of public health (Visuomenes sveikatos centras)             |  |  |  |  |
| 2009-11-03                    | Conclusion of the Alytus regional department for environmental protection regarding the approval of the technical project for the issuance of building permit. |  |  |  |  |
| 2009-11-03                    | Decision of the board of Lazdijai municipality regarding the issuance of building permit.  |  |  |  |  |

# Table 12. Stakeholder process



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#### Annex 2

# **BASELINE INFORMATION**

Implementing Joint Implementation projects in Lithuania, where the result is the reduction in the power use or power generation, which would indirectly reduce the amount of generated power in the installations of the EU allowance trading scheme, it is offered to use the pollution factor equal to 0,626 tCO2/MWh of the electricity generated.



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#### Annex 3

# **MONITORING PLAN**

Emission reductions from the project will be calculated by multiplying annual amount of power dispatched to the grid by emissions factor:

 $ER = E_{SP} x EF_{GRID}$ 

Where:

ER – emission reductions, tCO2

 $E_{SP}$  – Net annual power production at Seirijai wind power park (the difference between produced and consumed power), MWh.

EF<sub>GRID</sub> – emission factor for power production in Lithuania, i.e. 0,626 tCO2/MWhe

ER will be calculated for a past period (for ex. previous year), using annual power supplied and consumed data. The following monitoring form will be used to monitor Net annual power production and ER. Monitoring procedures are described in D2.





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YEAR:\_\_\_\_\_

| Month     | Power dispatch<br>confirmation<br>document No. | Date of<br>issuance of<br>power dispatch<br>confirmation<br>document | Power supplied to<br>the grid (Esup),<br>MWh | Power consumed<br>from the grid<br>(Econ), MWh | Net annual power<br>production (Esp),<br>MWh | Amount of<br>Emission<br>Reduction (ER),<br>tCO <sub>2</sub> e | Name of the person in charge | Signature |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|------------------------------|-----------|
| January   |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| February  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| March     |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| April     |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| May       |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| June      |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| July      |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| August    |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| September |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| October   |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| November  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| December  |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |
| Total:    |  |  |  |  |  |  |                              |           |

 $ER = E_{SP} \ge 0,626$ 

 $E_{SP} = E_{Sup} - E_{Con}$ 

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