Agenda for Green Power Accounting Workshop

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Workshop Overview and Objectives

Over the last several years, organizations have purchased various types of energy-related instruments as a means to reduce their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. These instruments have included renewable energy generation certificates (RECs), green tariffs, energy efficiency certificates, and offsets derived from renewables. But the types of instruments, and the electricity markets in which they function, can vary greatly across countries and regions. The lack of internationally-consistent reporting practices has added uncertainty to the renewable energy (RE) marketplace and has for many companies constrained investment in new projects.

To clarify the technical GHG accounting issues relevant to RE projects in Mexico and potentially other Latin American countries and assess short-and-long term options and recommendations to support credible corporate reporting, the WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol will hold a workshop in Mexico City in collaboration with CESPEDES and Walmart-Mexico. The input from these workshops will contribute to the first draft of a set of Power Accounting Guidelines, which will be open to stakeholder comment and review.

8:30 – 9:00 **Registration**

9:00 –9:30 Welcome and Introduction

Companies in attendance introduce themselves

Background on GHG Protocol Initiative and corporate reporting

- Mary Sotos, GHGP

Background on CESPEDES and history of work

- Rosa María Jiménez, CESPEDES

Review of workshop objectives

Audience questions

9:30—10:15 Overview GHGP process and discussion draft

- Mary Sotos, GHGP

Background on development process
Current GHG Protocol reporting requirements
How scope 2 currently estimated
The challenge of green power purchases
The challenge of green power purchases with CDM
This project and its framing of principles/scenarios/recommendations
Overview of Principles
Audience Questions

10:15—10:45 Mexico electricity policies

- Leonardo Beltran, *Mexico Energy Secretariat*

10:45—11:00 Coffee Break

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11:00—11:30 Analytical Framework

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Attributes in green power certificates (offsets, RECs, contracts) Ownership: how are grid average emission factors calculated? Eligibility: why, whether and how to designate eligible projects Audience questions

11:30—12:15 Business Panel on renewable purchasing experiences

Fernando Campos, *Walmart de México y Centroamérica* Mónica Vullingg, *Vitro* Karla Arrambide, *CEMEX*

12:15—12:30 Audience questions for panelists

- Rosa María Jiménez, CESPEDES

12:30—12:45 Discussion questions proposed

- Mary Sotos, GHGP

What have companies experienced with their own energy contracts?
What have companies experienced in navigating different energy-related instruments?
Have companies' energy contracts and purchases been also financed through offsetgeneration by CDM?

If so, how has it impacted the evaluation of whether to enter into the contract/purchase? Following the analytical framework proposed by the GHG Protocol, how does the separation of offset and emission-rate attributes fit within companies' GHG reporting practices?

Are there additional challenges not mentioned here?

12:45—1:30 Breakout group discussion of issues, questions

Facilitators Mary Sotos, Rosa María Jiménez and Juan Carlos Camargo

1:30—2:30 Lunch

2:30—3:15 Group feedback and discussion from small groups

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3:15—3:30 Coffee Break

3:30—4:15 Identifying short-and-long term options, next-steps

- Mary Sotos, GHGP

4:15 – 4:30 Workshop summary, closing

- Mary Sotos, GHGP