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SECTION A. General description of project activity

A.1 Title of the project activity:

Durango – EcoMethane Landfill Gas to Energy Project Document Version Number 1 Date completed 08/03/2007

A.2. Description of the project activity:

The Durango – EcoMethane Landfill Gas to Energy Project (hereafter, the "Project") developed by Biogas Technology Ltd (hereafter referred to as the "Project Developer") is a landfill gas (LFG) collection and utilisation project in the city of Durango, in the State of Durango, Mexico, hereafter referred to as the "Host Country". The project will have an electricity component with maximum installed capacity reaching 2.0 MW.

The Municipality of Durango counts with two final deposit sites for municipal solid waste. The old site is an uncontrolled dump which was closed in 2004, and will be excluded from the proposed project activity. The new site is a properly engineered landfill site which started its operation in 1999. Since then approximately 850,000 tonnes of solid municipal waste have been deposited at the site and currently the site receives up to 360 tonnes of municipal waste daily. The anticipated closure date is in 2015. The landfill includes a properly engineered leachate collection system, a lined leachate basin, and a simple passive vent system to partially collect the generated landfill gas.

The objective of the project is to replace the existing ineffective passive venting system by an active gas collection and flaring system. The purpose of LFG flaring is to dispose of the flammable constituents, particularly methane, safely and to control odour nuisance, health risks and adverse environmental impacts. Hence this will involve investing in a highly efficient gas collection system, flaring equipment and once the project secures a power purchase contract, a modular electricity generation plant. The generators will combust the methane in the LFG to produce electricity for export to the grid. Excess LFG, and all gas collected during periods when electricity is not produced, will be flared.

The Project is being developed through EcoMethane, an unincorporated joint venture dedicated to financing, constructing and operating projects that capture and make productive use of methane emissions. EcoMethane brings together investors, technology providers, engineers, and consultants to capitalise on the opportunities offered by the emerging market in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, particularly those related to activities that reduce emissions of methane to the atmosphere. EcoMethane works exclusively with Biogas Technology Ltd (Biogas) and the ENER*G Group PLC (ENER*G) for the financing, constructing and operation of LFG projects worldwide, and with EcoSecurities Group PLC (EcoSecurities) for the development of these projects under the Clean Development Mechanism of the Kyoto Protocol. For their part, Biogas and ENER*G (sister companies under the same ownership) have more than 20 years experience designing, installing and operating LFG collection and utilisation systems, and are respected leaders in the field. For example, Biogas has designed, installed and operated LFG collection systems on more than 100 landfills, and ENER*G has more than 90 MW of installed electrical generation capacity. For its part, EcoSecurities is a leading CDM/JI project development company. EcoSecurities is a world leader in origination and development of CDM projects and trading of carbon



credits. Since it was founded in 1997, EcoSecurities has developed or advised on projects in over 30 countries in five continents and has currently over 350 projects in development around the world, using 18 different technologies with the potential to generate more than 150 million carbon credits.

The Project will have several positive social and environmental impacts:

- First, the installed landfill gas collection and flaring system will prevent potentially explosive situations associated with the subsurface gas migration, as it represents an effective control system which minimises migration off-site.
- Second, many constituents of landfill gas are hazardous and pose a potentially significant risks to human health. The objective of LFG flaring is to dispose of the perilous constituents, particularly methane, safely and to control and reduce odour nuisance and health risks.
- Third, the project will minimise damage to or deterioration on the environment and reduce the emissions of methane globally.
- Fourth, provide a model for LFG management, a key element in improving landfill management practices throughout the Host Country.
- Fifth, the project will act as a clean technology demonstration project, encouraging less dependency on grid-supplied electricity.
- Finally, the project will provide for both short- and long-term employment opportunities for local people. Local contractors and labourers will be required for construction, and long-term staff will be used to operate and maintain the system.

The project is helping the Host Country to fulfil its goals of promoting sustainable development. Specifically, the project:

- guarantees sustainability in the environmental sector;
- will be incorporated in the Host Country's politics through a national programme;
- represents an investment in environmental funds
- promotes the integration of environmental infrastructure, such as appropriate waste management and storage, as well as rehabilitation of landfill sites;
- optimises the use of natural resources and avoids uncontrolled contaminations;
- promotes and diversifies sustainable energy systems;
- increases employment opportunities in the area where the project is located;
- uses clean and efficient technologies, and conserves natural resources;
- acts as a clean technology demonstration project, encouraging development of modern and more efficient generation of electricity energy using landfill gas throughout the Country;
- improves the overall management practices of the landfill.

A.3. Project participants:

Name of party involved (*)	Private and/or public	Kindly indicate if the Party
((host) indicates a host party)	entity(ies)	involved wishes to be



	Project participants (*) (as applicable)	considered as project participant (Yes/No)
Mexico (host)	Biogas Technology S.A. de C.V.	No
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Biogas Technology Ltd	No
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	EcoSecurities Group PLC	No

(*) In accordance with the CDM modalities and procedures, at the time of making the CDM-PDD public at the stage of validation, a Party (country) involved may or may not have provided its approval. At the time requesting registration, the approval by the Party(ies) involved is required.

Further contact information of project participants is provided in Annex 1.

A.4. Technical description of the <u>project activity</u>:

A.4.1. Location of the project activity:

A.4.1.1. <u>Host Party(ies)</u>:

Mexico (the "Host Country")

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

State of Durango

A.4.1.3. City/Town/Community etc:

Municipality of Victoria de Durango

A.4.1.4. Detail of physical location, including information allowing the unique identification of this <u>project activity</u> (maximum one page):

The project will be located at the outskirts of the City of Durango, in a region named "Ejido Felipe Angeles". The site can be found 22 km south-eastern of the Centre of Durango, and south-western of the highway which leads to Mezquital. The geographical coordinates are 23°53' northern Latitude and 104°31' eastern Longitude.

A.4.2. Category(ies) of project activity:

According to Annex A of the Kyoto Protocol, this project fits in Sectoral Category 13, Waste Handling and Disposal.

A.4.3. Technology to be employed by the project activity:



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Landfill Gas Collection System

The Project Developer has over twenty years of practical experience in the design, installation and operation of LFG collection systems. The project activity involves the installation of state of the art LFG collection technology. This includes:

- Vertical gas wells drilled into the waste to extract the LFG. The gas wells cover the area of the landfill available for gas extraction and are spaced on a site-specific grid to maximise LFG collection.
- A gas collection pipe network which consists of pipes that connect groups of gas wells to the manifolds. The manifolds are connected into a main pipe and then into the main header pipe which delivers the gas to the extraction plant and the flare. The system is modular, so it is relatively easy to extend it on parts of the landfill available for gas extraction in the future.
- Dewatering points at strategic low points of the gas collecting work which allow effective condensate management by returning the condensate back to landfill.
- Blower(s) which draw the gas from the wells through the collection system and deliver it to the flare or gas fuelled internal combustion engine powering electricity generator. The system operates at pressure slightly lower than atmospheric and is optimised to address issues related to pressure losses.
- An impermeable cover material (high density polyethylene membrane or mineral material). For efficient operation of the gas collection system, each landfill cell, where the gas is collected from, must be covered with an appropriate capping material to provide sufficient containment and prevent air ingress into the landfill body.

Installation

The gas collection field installation is closely managed and monitored by experienced project managers from the Project Developer in accordance with proven quality control procedures. Experienced key workers are employed to ensure that the gas collection system is installed correctly, and a large portion of the plant and labour is sourced locally. In addition, a comprehensive installation record is maintained to ensure that any future expansion or repair works can be located quickly and efficiently.

Operation

Project Developer's trained personnel sets up the gas collection system for optimal long-term operation. Their engineers and technicians are involved in balancing the gas collection system on a regular basis in accordance with the monitoring plan.

Sophisticated portable gas monitoring equipment, fitted with an in-built data logging facility and data retrieval to a PC is used in the day-to-day operation of the system. Collected data are emailed to the UK for review on a daily basis. The Project Developer's senior management personnel provide technical support throughout the project to the local personnel employed on the ground.

Flare Technology

The Project Developer has designed, manufactured and installed skid / base mounted and mobile gas flares for burning LFG for over twenty years. Enclosed stacks provide conditions for high temperature

combustion to effectively destruct methane with other combustible LFG components and meet low emission regulations in accordance with latest best practice guidelines (UK Environment Agency: Guidance on Landfill Gas Flaring, 2002 - version 2.1).

The project activity involves the installation of a modular enclosed gas flare consisting of pipe work, valves, blower, stack with proprietary burners, instrumentation and control panel. The main features of the gas flare system are presented below.

- The pipe work connects all the elements of the flare from the main header pipe to the burners via a demister with filter element, isolation and control valves, blower and instrumentation. All the pipe work has flanged or threaded connections and is fully galvanised. The demister element protects the fan from moisture and particulates that flow with the gas from the waste deposit. The pipe work has drainage valves for removal of condensate that may accumulate in it.
- Valves used are manually or automatically operated. They can isolate incoming gas or parts of the pipe work in accordance with operational requirements. They are also used to regulate the flow and pressure of the gas.
- The unit has a flame arrester for safety purposes. The flame arrester(s), which is of the deflagration type, is fitted on the main and pilot delivery lines. The arresters protect the blower and the field pipe work from flashback of the flame from the burners.
- The system includes a centrifugal electrically-powered blower, which is a pressure rising machine that generates suction in the gas collection system and positive pressure (above atmospheric) on the burners. The blower drives the gas from the gas wells into the burners.
- The flare stack is made of circular galvanised steel shroud with ceramic lining that maintains high combustion temperature inside. The dimensions of the stack are designed to guarantee safe and effective destruction of the LFG with minimal environmental impact (low emissions). At the bottom of the stack are a set of manual and automatic louvers that control air supply to the burners in order to maintain optimum combustion parameters. The stack is fitted with an igniter that starts the flame on the burners, with a thermocouple (to measure temperature) and a flame detector.
- At high temperature, burners of proprietary Biogas design ensure full destruction of combustible constituents found in LFG, in accordance with the UK Environment Agency guidelines.
- The unit includes sophisticated instrumentation, as follows:
 - pressure, vacuum and temperature gauges and transmitters fitted onto the pipe work that monitor the parameters of the LFG;
 - o flow meter to measure accurately the flow of the gas through the system;
 - gas analyser (methane, carbon dioxide, oxygen) that measure the quality of the gas delivered to the flare, as well as gas flow rates and pressure (among other selected parameters);
 - o sampling points for taking gas samples with portable instrumentation for laboratory analysis;
 - o an ultraviolet camera fitted to the stack that monitors the presence of the flame;
 - \circ a thermocouple that monitors accurately the temperature of the flame in the stack and feeds back the signal to the automated air louver in order to maintain the temperature within the stack at desired level; and



- \circ a data logging system that transmits the information via telemetry / satellite to the control centre managed by the Project Developer.
- The control panel houses all of the flare controls, motor starters, alarms and interlocks that ensure safe operation of the flare. The control panel enables:
 - powering the plant and its components;
 - o a manual, automated or remote start and the shut down of the flare;
 - automated shutdowns and isolation of the gas supply if the safety devices (e.g. flame detector) indicate unsafe operating conditions;
 - o an automatic notification of the alarms and shutdowns to the operator via telemetry;
 - an automated temperature control;
 - \circ a local readout of the flare operating parameters and alarms; and
 - o an electrical isolation of the whole plant.

Electricity Generation Technology

As and when the project secures a power purchase agreement that will enable the generation of electricity, a modular reciprocating engine facility will be installed. The Project Developer would develop the electricity generation component of the project activity through its relationship with the ENER*G Group, whose subsidiary ENER*G Natural Power has extensive experience in the design, building, and operation of generators using LFG.

The electricity generation project component will involve the construction of a suitable sized compound (50m x 80m) which will comprise a level surface with concrete bases to support the engine units. The compound will have an electrical earthing blanket constructed below the surface to comply with electrical regulations. There will be an electrical sub-station constructed that will contain all suitable switching gear and metering equipment to facilitate a connection to the national grid network. There will be two small support buildings for offices and a workshop. A series of pipes and ducts will be laid to carry both electrical cabling and gas pipes. There will also be three fully bounded tanks for clean oil, dirty oil and coolant storage. The whole area will be securely fenced.

The packaged generation system consists of an outdoor acoustic containerised generating set comprising an engine/alternator set. The engine units comprise a fully containerised Caterpillar (Cat 3516) 16 cylinder turbo charged gas engine, with a separate control room and housing for its own transformer and switch. These units are designed to be fully mobile. The containers are fully sealed (no floor penetrations) to avoid spreading oil through leaks onto the ground, therefore they can be referred to as environmentally compliant. As the gas production increases or decreases (gas production curve) the containerised engine units can be easily added or taken away to match the gas production. These generators are designed and built by the ENER*G Group in Manchester and the design incorporates the following key features:

- Fully enclosed oil-bounded engine compartment and control room;
- Extended oil sumps to increase oil change intervals and reduce downtime;



- Sealed oil pumping lines to make oil changes faster and safer with no risk of spillage;
- A comprehensive, patented, engine management system designed and built in-house, which allows for remote operation and monitoring and has been proven in over 600 applications;
- Sound proofed engine compartments, typically reducing sound levels to 69 dB(A) at 10m;
- Engine emissions that achieve current pre December 31st 2005 engine emission limits as detailed in "Guidance for Monitoring Landfill Gas Engine Emissions" (UK standards);
- EA Technical Guidance, compliant exhaust stacks with monitoring points and optional access platform (retrofitted on site).

All engine units are fitted with remote monitoring technology which is Internet based and allows engines to be started and stopped remotely as well as monitor engine performance, output, and characteristics. Irrespective of this the generation facility will employ full time staff for operation, routine servicing and repairs.

The technology used in the project activity to collect, flare and utilise the LFG comes from the UK. Equipment will be imported and installed in Mexico, representing a transfer of technology.

A.4.4. Estimated amount of emission reductions over the chosen crediting period:

Year	Total Annual estimation of emission reductions in tonnes of CO ₂ e
2007 (Aug – Dec)	17,588
2008	47,853
2009	58,843
2010	64,767
2011	70,373
2012	76,099
2013	81,566
2014	87,208
2015	86,689
2016	82,288
2017 (Jan – Jul)	43,843
Total estimated reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	717,117
Total number of crediting years	10



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Annual average over the crediting		
period of estimated reductions	71,712	
(tonnes of CO ₂ e)		

For details please refer to Section B.6.3 or Annex 3.

A.4.5. Public funding of the project activity:

The project will not receive any public funding from Parties included in Annex I of the UNFCCC.



SECTION B. Application of a baseline and monitoring methodology

B.1. Title and reference of the <u>approved baseline and monitoring methodology</u> applied to the <u>project activity</u>:

For the LFG component, ACM0001 version 5, adopted at EB28, "Consolidated baseline methodology for landfill gas project activities" and "Consolidated monitoring methodology for landfill gas project activities" will be used.

ACM0001 refers to the following tools:

- "Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality" version 03, adopted at EB29.
- "Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane" version adopted at EB28.

For the electricity generation component, AMS- I.D version 10, dated 23 December 2006, "Renewable electricity generation for a grid" based on Appendix B of the simplified modalities and procedures for small-scale CDM project activities will be used.

AMS-I.D refers to the following methodology:

• ACM0002 "Consolidated baseline methodology for grid-connected electricity generation from renewable source" – version 06, dated 19 May 2006.

B.2. Justification of the choice of the methodology and why it is applicable to the <u>project</u> <u>activity:</u>

The methodology ACM0001 allows for the development of projects falling under either of 3 options:

- a) Landfill projects where the captured gas is simply flared; or
- b) Landfill projects that use the gas to produce energy (e.g. electricity/thermal energy), but do not claim emission reductions for displacing or avoiding energy from other sources; or
- c) Landfill projects where the captured gas is used to produce energy (e.g. electricity/thermal energy), and emission reductions are claimed for displacing or avoiding energy generation from other sources.

The Project is based on two complementary activities, as follows:

- The collection and flaring or combustion of LFG, thus converting its methane content into CO₂, reducing its greenhouse gas effect; and
- The generation and supply of electricity to the regional grid, thus displacing a certain amount of fossil fuels used for electricity generation.

The Project therefore fulfils the conditions of option c) (i.e., captured LFG is used to produce electricity and reductions are claimed for displacing electricity generation from other sources), and thus ACM0001 was considered the most appropriate methodology for the Project.



ACM0001 states that in the case of option c), the approved small-scale methodology for renewable electricity generation for a grid can be applied (Type I.D) if the amount of electricity generated is below the threshold for small scale projects (15MW). This category comprises renewable energy generation units that supply electricity to an electricity distribution system that is or would have been supplied by at least one fossil fuel or non-renewable biomass fired generating unit. This is therefore applicable to this project. Furthermore, the project activity is not financially viable without CER revenue. LFG revenues (gas, electricity and/or heat) alone are insufficient to recover project investments and operational costs.

B.3. Description of the sources and gases included in the project boundary

According to ACM0001 baseline methodology, the project boundary is the site of the project activity where the gas will be captured and destroyed/used. According to AMS-I.D of small-scale CDM methodology, the project boundary should encompass the physical, geographical site of the renewable generation source.

The following project activities and emission sources are considered within the project boundaries:

	Source	Gas	Included?	Justification/Explanation
	LFG venting and	CO ₂	No	It is not considered because it is
ine	partial flaring			part of the natural carbon cycle.
Baseline		CH ₄	Yes	Included as main component of LFG.
		N ₂ O	No	Not applicable
	Active LFG	CO ₂	No	It is not considered because it is
Project Activity	capture and			part of the natural carbon cycle.
	flaring	CH ₄	Yes	Included as main component of LFG.
		N ₂ O	No	Not applicable
	LFG combustion for power	CO ₂	No	It is not considered because it is part of the natural carbon cycle.
Pro	generation	CH ₄	Yes	Included as main component of LFG.
		N ₂ O	No	Not applicable

Table: Sources and gases included in the project boundary

- CH₄ emissions from the un-recovered LFG liberated from the landfill site. It is estimated that only 65% of LFG generated at the Durango landfill will be captured, which means that the remaining 35% will be released as fugitive emissions.
- CO₂ from the combustion of landfill gas in the flares and electricity generator. When combusted, methane is converted into CO₂. As the methane is organic in nature these emissions are not counted as project emissions. The CO₂ released during the combustion process was originally fixed via biomass so that the life cycle CO₂ emissions of LFG are zero. The CO₂ released is carbon neutral in the carbon cycle.



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• Electricity required for the operation of the project activity should be accounted for in the project emissions and they need to be monitored. However, as the project activity involves electricity generation and uses electricity generated from LFG, only the net quantity of electricity fed into the grid should be used to account for emission reductions due to displacement of electricity from other power plants.

For the determination of baseline emissions of the electricity generation component of the project, the project boundary will account for the CO_2 emissions from electricity generation in fossil fuel power stations operating in the Project grid system, which will be displaced by the Project activity. The spatial extent of the project boundary is defined as the project site and the plants connected to the grid system to which the project will be connected.

A full flow diagram of the project boundaries is presented in the figure below. The flow diagram comprises all possible elements of the LFG collection systems and the equipment for electricity generation.

Figure: Flow chart of project boundaries (staggered line indicates boundaries)



B.4. Description of how the <u>baseline scenario is</u> identified and description of the identified baseline scenario:

For the baseline determination, the project boundary is the site of the project activity where the gas will be captured and utilised.

As mentioned before, the project activity is based on the two following complementary activities:



- The capture and flaring/combustion of LFG, thus converting its methane content into CO₂, reducing its greenhouse gas effect; and
- The generation and supply of electricity to the regional grid, thus displacing a certain amount of fossil fuels used for electricity generation.

The baseline scenario in this particular case is the partial collection of the LFG, which occurs at most existing landfills in the Host Country, although some of the landfills in the Host Country still do not have any type of venting system, but release the LFG uncontrolled to the atmosphere, despite regulations calling for a controlled management of LFG.

There is no incentive to utilise the LFG to produce thermal energy, since the technology does still not exist in the Host Country and there is no demand for thermal energy because the project is located in an isolated area.

Given that the results of the financial analysis conducted clearly show that implementation of this type of project is not the economically most attractive course of action, the project is considered to be additional (this is discussed in section B.5 below). In addition, there is no economic incentive or support to develop the project.

B.5. Description of how the anthropogenic emissions of GHG by sources are reduced below those that would have occurred in the absence of the registered CDM <u>project activity</u> (assessment and demonstration additionality):

The determination of project scenario additionality is done using the CDM consolidated Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality (version 3 adopted at EB 29), which follows the subsequent steps:

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

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

The following alternatives have to be included according to the methodology:

• The proposed project activity not undertaken as a CDM project activity;

<u>Alternative 1:</u> The landfill operator would invest in an active LFG capturing system of high effectiveness, as well as a high efficiency flaring system and in LFG power recovery equipment. The operation would marginally reduce the generation of power from other grid-connected sources. Alternative 1 represents the proposed project activity.

• Other realistic and credible alternative scenario(s) to the proposed CDM project activity scenario that deliver outputs and on services (e.g. electricity, heat or cement) with comparable



quality, properties and application areas, taking into account, where relevant, examples of scenarios identified in the underlying methodology;

<u>Alternative 2</u>: The landfill operator would invest in an active LFG capturing system of high effectiveness, as well as in a boiler where the captured LFG will be burnt to supply thermal energy to nearby users.

• If applicable, continuation of the current situation (no project activity or other alternatives undertaken).

<u>Alternative 3:</u> The landfill operator could continue the current business as usual practice using a simple passive venting system (i.e. partially collect LFG using an inefficient venting system). In this case, no power or thermal energy would be generated at the site and the Host Country power system would remain unaffected.

Sub-step 1b. Enforcement of applicable laws and regulations:

Alternative 1, the proposed project activity, complies with all the applicable laws and regulations. NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 defines responsibilities regarding waste management as well as the specifications for environmental protection including the selection, design, construction and operation, monitoring and closure of final disposal sites for municipal solid waste. This comprehensive regulation calls for landfill gas control and management but does not clearly define specific requirements regarding amounts of LFG that need to be captured or technologies that shall be used.

For Alternative 2, there is no existing legal or regulatory requirement which addresses the thermal energy production from LFG at the moment, as the technology is not well known and not applicable for economic reasons. No similar projects using that technique can be found in the Host Country since no potential users could be identified to date.

Alternative 3, to simply continue the current situation, represents the business as usual practice for the project developer and most of the landfills in the Host Country. Existing regulations do provide recommendations, but do not detail specific requirements regarding the construction of gas collection systems or the technique which shall be applied to collect, control and monitor the LFG. The regulation notwithstanding, a common practice analysis shows that existing landfills in the Host Country do not adequately capture and utilise their LFG, as explained below in Step 4.

The tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality clearly states that only laws that are enforced need to be considered in the determination of the baseline scenario. NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 is clearly not enforced in Mexico, as outlined below:

- Norma 083 is a federal regulation that, given the sovereignty of local authorities in this area (landfills are within the responsibility of the municipalities), only becomes legally binding if it is adopted by the local authorities. So far, no local authorities have adopted NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003.
- NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 has never been enforced since its adoption. Even the earlier norm, which NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 replaced, and which only required the active venting of LFG for safety reasons, was not enforced.
- Given the above, NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 has become more of a document outlining policy guidance rather than a regulation to be widely adopted.



As a result, NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003 shall not be taken into account in the establishment of a baseline scenario for LFG projects in Mexico.

Step 2. Investment Analysis

Sub-step 2a: Determine appropriate analysis method

According to the tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality, one of three options must be applied for this step: (1) simple cost analysis (where no benefits other than CDM income exist for the project), (2) investment comparison analysis (where comparable alternatives to the project exist) or (3) benchmark analysis.

Sub-step 2b: Option III - Apply benchmark analysis

According to the methodology for determination of additionality, if the alternatives to the CDM project activity do not include investments of comparable scale to the project, then Option (3) must be used. In this case, the most likely alternative to the project is to simply not install flaring and generation equipment at the site, and therefore does not involve investments of a similar scale to the project. Therefore benchmark analysis will be applied.

The likelihood of development of this project, as opposed to the continuation of current activities (i.e. partial collection and combustion of LFG) will be determined by comparing its IRR with the benchmark rates of return available to investors in the Host Country. These rates of return are taken from investment fund indices, provided by MSCI¹. The rates of return on investment provided by this fund was 25% on average over the last 5 years (2001-2006), which represents a significant higher growth rate for emerging markets than typical for Latin America. Taking into account a more conservative value, due to the development of the sector specific project activity, an IRR of 15% can be considered as a moderate benchmark for the performance of investments in the landfill sector in the Host Country.

Sub-step 2c: Calculation and comparison of financial indicators

The Table below shows the results of the financial analysis for the project activity, considering a ten year period. As shown, the project IRR (without CDM revenue) is negative, thus lower than the benchmark IRR from the performance of the investment funds in the Host Country.

Table: Financial results of the project (Alternative 1) with and without carbon finance. The NPV uses 12% discount rate. The electricity price is assumed to be US\$70/MWh, consistent with current prices, which are not expected to change substantially.

¹ MSCI provides global equity indices, which, over the last 30+ years, have become the most widely used international equity benchmarks by institutional investors. MSCI constructs global equity benchmark indices that contribute to the investment process by serving as relevant and accurate performance benchmarks and effective research tools, and as the basis for various investment vehicles. http://www.msci.com/overview



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	With CDM	Without CDM
Net Present Value (US\$)	571,612	-1,473,437
IRR	17.6%	-5.2%
Discount rate	12	2%

Input/Assumption	Value	Comments
Electricity price (UScts / kWh)	7.00	Conservative buy-off price in the private Sector in Mexico;
Annual increase in electricity	1.5%	Conservative assumption consistent with the Mexican
price (%/yr)		Power Sector
Annual Inflation Rate plus	6%	
applied Risk Factor		

Detailed information on the financial analysis carried out can be found in Annex 3.

Sub-step 2d: Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis was conducted by altering the following parameters:

- Increase in project revenue (price of electricity sold to the grid);
- Reduction in project capital (CAPEX) and running costs (O&M and Project Support costs).

Those parameters were selected as being the most likely to fluctuate over time. Financial analyses were performed altering each of these parameters by 10%, and assessing what the impact on the project IRR would be (see Table below). As it can be seen, the project IRR remains lower than the benchmark IRR even in the case where these parameters change in favour of the project.

 Table: Sensitivity analysis

Scenario	% change	IRR (%)	NPV \$US
Original		-5.2%	-1,473,437
Increase in project revenue	10%	1.6%	-968,085
Reduction in project costs	10%	2.1%	-828,941

Note: NPV uses 12% discount rate. Calculations consider a ten year period.

In conclusion, the project IRR remains low even in the case where these parameters change in favour of the Project. The IRR is still low, therefore not feasible for a risky enterprise such as the construction and operation of a landfill gas-to-energy project, and significantly lower than private equity investments with rates of return of 15.0%. Consequently, the Project cannot be considered as financially attractive without CDM revenue.

Step 4. Common Practice Analysis

Sub-step 4a: Analyse other activities similar to the proposed project activity:



To date there has been limited development of LFG projects in the Host Country. Only a few landfills in the Host Country have been designed to partially collect and flare the generated LFG. So far just two sites have LFG collection and flaring or utilisation systems. The Prados de la Montaña landfill in Santa Fe, Mexico City, collects and partially flares the LFG generated at the site because the area where it is located was slated to become a prime real estate investment opportunity at the time, and the landfill was closed and "cleaned up" (i.e., to avoid nuisances and risks to nearby buildings) in order to encourage investment there. Despite the successful completion of this system years ago, it took Global Environment Facility financing to build the second LFG capture system in the Host Country. The Simeprodeso landfill in Monterrey was completed in 2003 and designed specifically as a demonstration project to promote the development of CDM projects.

The table below presents information regarding a representative sample of landfills throughout the Host Country. As the table indicates, landfills in Host Country either have: (1) no system for collecting, venting or flaring LFG; (2) a passive system for venting LFG only (no flaring); (3) a passive system for venting and flaring LFG; or (4) a system to actively collect and flare or utilise the LFG.

Since the publication of NOM-083-SEMARNAT-2003, no new proper LFG collection and flaring or utilisation systems have been developed in the Host Country without considering carbon revenues. All projects similar to the proposed project activity are developed under the CDM, and are therefore excluded from the common practice analysis.

		Waste	
		Deposition	
		Rate	
Landfill Name	Location	(tonnes/day)	Current Status
Bordo Poniente	Mexico City	12,000	No system for collecting, venting or flaring LFG
Chiltepeque landfill	Puebla City, Puebla	1,595	No system for collecting, venting or flaring LFG
Bordo Neza	Nezahualcoyotl, State of Mexico	1,500	No system for collecting, venting or flaring LFG
El Verde	Leon, Guanajuato	1,450	Passive system for venting and flaring LFG
Milpillas (Tetlama)	Temixco, Morelos	1,100	No system for collecting, venting or flaring LFG
Culiacan	Culiacan, Sinaloa	850	Passive system for venting of LFG only (no flaring)
Cancun landfill	Cancun, Quintana Roo	700	Passive system for venting and flaring LFG
Socavon San Jorge	Metepec, State of Mexico	500	Passive system for venting and flaring LFG
Santa Rita	San Luis Potosi	340	Passive system for venting of LFG only (no flaring)
Simeprodeso landfill (phase I)	Monterrey, Nuevo Leon	Closed	Landfill gas collection and utilisation project, funded with support from the GEF as demonstration project
Prados de la Montaña	Mexico City	Closed	Passive system for venting and flaring LFG

Table: The Project control group



Thus, with the exception of the Prados de la Montaña and the first phase of the Simeprodeso landfills, and a few landfills developing a CDM project, none of the other landfills have proper LFG collection and flaring systems. The reason for the lack of widespread LFG collection and combustion systems is that that there currently is no economic incentive for capturing and utilising the LFG. In summary, the passive venting method is still a common practice in landfills throughout the Host Country.

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

Not applicable as all similar projects throughout the Host Country are developed in the context of CDM activities.

B.6	Emission reductions:
	B.6.1. Explanation of methodology choices:

The Project fulfils the conditions of option c) of Methodology ACM0001: "The captured gas is used to produce energy (e.g. electricity/thermal energy), and emission reductions are claimed for displacing or avoiding energy generation from other sources".

In this case a baseline methodology for electricity and/or thermal energy displaced shall be provided or an approved one used, including ACM0002 "Consolidated Methodology for Grid-Connected Power Generation from Renewable Sources" version 6, 19 May 2006. If capacity of electricity generated is less than 15MW, small-scale methodology AMS-I.D version 10, can be used. In the case of the project, the electricity generation will be less than 15 MW, therefore AMS-I.D has been chosen.

Project emissions:

The Methodology clearly states that possible CO_2 emissions, resulting from other fuels than the recovered methane, should be accounted for as project emissions. Hence, this has not to be taken into account for the proposed project activity as no other fuels are used within the project boundary.

When the project does not generate electricity, electricity for the operation of the project activity will be imported from the grid, and will be monitored as stated in Section B.7.1. The project emissions are calculated with the (CEFelectricity,y) listed in Section B.6.2.

When the project generates electricity, there is a net export of electricity to the grid and the project emissions from its electricity use are deducted from the emission reductions from its electricity generation (thus emission reductions only for the net electricity generated are claimed). The electricity imported for the operation of the project activity will be monitored as stated in the Section B.7.1.

Baseline emissions:

Although the project currently has a LFG collection system, no fossil fuel consumption exists for the baseline emissions because the site only contains a simple passive venting system where no pumping equipment is used.

The baseline emissions reductions due to the partial collection of the LFG will be taken into account by applying the AF.



Leakage emissions:

No leakage effects need to be accounted for under this methodology.

Emission reductions:

According to the Methodology the greenhouse gas emission reductions achieved by the project activity during a given year "y" (ER_y) shall be estimated as follows:

 $ER_y = (MD_{project,y} - MD_{reg,y}) * GWP_{CH4} + EL_y * CEF_{electricity,y} - ET_y * CEF_{thermal,y}$

As the proposed project activity does not include a thermal component, the following simplified equation will be applied to estimate the emission reductions:

 $ER_{y} = (MD_{project,y} - MD_{reg,y}) * GWP_{CH4} + EL_{y} * CEF_{electricity,y}$

As the project electricity consumption is already considered in the formula, in cases when the project is not generating electricity, the EL_y term would be negative and therefore the corresponding project emissions would be deducted from the project's overall emission reductions.

All equations and definitions of the parameters applied to obtain the emission reduction from the project activity are listed in Section B.6.3.

AMS-I.D states that the Operating Margin and the Build Margin for the grid to which the project is connected shall be calculated according to the procedures described in ACM0002.

Thus, ACM0002 version 6, 19 May 2006 was chosen to obtain the resultant grid Carbon Emission Factor. From the four different procedures to calculate the Operating Margin, option a) the Simple OM was chosen to be the most appropriate for the small scale electricity generation by the project activity.

Options b) and c), the Simple Adjusted OM and the Dispatch Data Analysis could not have been applied there was not enough detailed data publicly available at the time of completion of the PDD. Even if data for the Dispatch Data analysis was available, the costs of processing the data would not be considered affordable by the project developer due to the marginal size of the future grid displacement. AMS I.D allows the selection of any of the four different procedures to calculate the Operating Margin.Option a) the Average OM is not applicable in the Host Country since must-run generating sources make up less than 50% of grid generation².

B.6.2 .	Data and parameters that are available at validation:
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Data / Parameter: Carbon Emission Factor (CEF _{electricity,y})	
Data unit:	tCO_2/MWh
Description:	CO ₂ emissions intensity of the electricity displaced
Source of data to be	Official statistics from the Secretary of Energy; SENER (2003, 2004, 2005),

Table: data and parameters that are available at validation

² Source: SENER (2003, 2004, 2005), Prospectiva del Sector Eléctrico 2004-2013, 2005-2014, 2006-2015.



used:	Prospectiva del Sector Eléctrico 2004-2013, 2005-2014, 2006-2015
Value applied:	0.510
Justification of the	The CEF _{electricity,y} is calculated according to the equations for small scale
choice of data or	electricity projects, using AMS-I.D, based on fuel consumption and electricity
description of	generation data for plants connected to the grid, provided by CFE.
measurement methods	Detailed information can be found in Annex 3.
and procedures actually	
applied:	
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	Regulatory requirements relating to landfill gas projects
Data unit:	Test
Description:	Regulatory requirements relating to landfill gas projects
Source of data to be	National legislation and mandatory regulations
used:	
Value applied:	A value of 0% for the Adjustment Factor was chosen.
Justification of the	The information will be recorded annually, to use it for changes to the
choice of data or	adjustment factor (AF) or directly to MD _{reg,y} at renewal of the credit period.
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures actually	
applied:	
Any comment:	Will be reflected in the AF. Further information can be found in section B.6.3.

B.6.3. Ex-ante calculation of emission reductions:

The methodology ACM0001 requires that 'Project proponents should provide an *ex-ante* estimate of emission reductions, by projecting the future GHG emissions of the landfill. In doing so, verifiable methods should be used'. In the case of this project, a proprietary model based on the US EPA's first order decay model is used to determine estimated emission reductions *ex-ante*. This *ex-ante* estimate is for illustrative purposes, as emission reductions will be monitored *ex-post*, according to the methodology.

ACM0001 will be applied using option c) of the Consolidated Methodology, where the gas captured is used for electricity generation and emission reductions are claimed for displacing or avoiding energy from other sources. The amount of ERs for these sources will be calculated using the Methodology for Small-scale Renewable Energy Projects Type I.D., as the electricity generation component of the project is smaller than 15 MW installed capacity. The data used for the calculation of combined margins is shown in Annex 3 of this document. The main source of data is the annual statistic 2006 from the CFE. The defaults used for the calculation of calorific values for fuel types and fuel oxidisation, come from the IPCC GHG Gas Inventory Reference Manual (IPCC 2006) or as clearly marked else wise.

Landfill gas component

The amount of methane destroyed by the project activity is calculated using the following equation, which is simplified in our case since there is no thermal component:



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 $MD_{project,y} = MD_{flared,y} + MD_{electricity,y}$

Where:

MD _{project,y} :	tCH ₄	Quantity of methane destroyed by the project activity during year y, in tonnes of
		methane;
MD _{flared,y} :	tCH ₄	Quantity of methane destroyed by flaring during year y, in tonnes of methane;
MD _{electricity,y} :	tCH ₄	Quantity of methane destroyed by generation of electricity during year <i>y</i> , in tonnes

of methane.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
MD _{flared,y}	tCH ₄	343	3,430
MD _{electricity,y}	tCH ₄	2,785	27,846
MD _{project,y}	tCH ₄	3,128	31,276

The sum of the LFG quantities fed to the flare and/or the power plant will be compared annually with the total LFG captured using the formula below. The lowest value will be adopted as MD_{project,y}.

$$MD_{total,y} = LFG_{total,y} * w_{CH4,y} * D_{CH4}$$

Where: MD_{total,y}: tCH₄ Total quantity of methane captured during year y, in tonnes of methane; Nm³LFG LFG_{total,v}: Total quantity of landfill gas captured during year y, in cubic meters of landfill gas; Nm³CH₄ / Nm³LFG Average methane fraction of the landfill gas, as measured during WCH4,y: year y and expressed as a fraction in cubic meter of methane per cubic meter of landfill gas; tCH₄ / Nm³CH4 D_{CH4}: Methane density expressed in tonnes of methane per cubic meter of methane.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
W _{CH4,y}	Nm ³ CH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG	5	0%
D _{CH4}	tCH ₄ / Nm ³ CH4	0.0007168	
MD _{total,y}	tCH₄	3,131	31,311

As the tables above indicate, the $MD_{project,y}$ is slightly lower than the $MD_{total,y}$. Therefore $MD_{project,y}$ will be adopted for the project activity.

The quantity of methane destroyed by flaring is calculated using the following equation:

 $MD_{flared,y} = (LFG_{flared,y} * w_{CH4,y} * D_{CH4}) - (PE_{flare,y} / GWP_{CH4})$



Where:		
MD _{flared,y} :	tCH ₄	Quantity of methane destroyed by flaring during year <i>y</i> , in tonnes of methane;
LFG _{flared,y} :	Nm ³ LFG	Quantity of landfill gas fed to the flare during year <i>y</i> , measured in cubic meters of landfill gas;
W _{CH4,y} :	Nm ³ CH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG	Average methane fraction of the landfill gas as measured during a year y and expressed as a fraction in cubic meter of methane per cubic meter of landfill gas;
D _{CH4} :	tCH ₄ / Nm ³ CH ₄	Methane density expressed in tonnes of methane per cubic meter of methane ³ ;
PE _{flare,y} :	tCO ₂ e	Project emissions from flaring of the residual gas stream in year y determined following the procedure described in the "Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane";
GWP _{CH4} :	tCO_2e / tCH_4	Global Warming Potential of methane valid for the first commitment period.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
LFG _{flared,y}	Nm ³ LFG	966,650	9,666,500
W _{CH4,y}	Nm ³ CH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG 50%		%
D _{CH4}	tCH ₄ / Nm ³ CH4	0.000	7168
PE _{flare,y}	tCO ₂ e	73	728
GWP _{CH4}	tCH_4 / tCO_2	2	1
MD _{flared,y}	tCH ₄	343	3,430

The quantity of LFG flared by the project is estimated using a proprietary model based on the US EPA First Order Decay Model⁴, using L_o (methane generation potential) and k (methane generation rate constant) values appropriate for the Host Country and assuming that only 65% of the LFG generated is collected by the gas collection system. The collection efficiency value considers the physical conditions of this landfill as well as the capping material used to cover the waste. In any case, as this projection is merely for illustrational purposes only, the precision of these values are not as significant as the actual emission reductions will be monitored directly. The details of the assumptions of the model are provided in Annex 3.

Project emissions from flaring will be calculated and monitored according to the procedures described in the *"Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane"*, using the option for continuous monitoring of the methane destruction efficiency of the flare.

For the *ex-ante* calculations of emission reductions, a 99% flare efficiency ($\eta_{flare,h}$) value will be assumed for the project (according to flare's manufacturer specifications and based on field tests using the same

³ At standard temperature and pressure (0 degree Celsius and 1,013 bar) the density of methane is 0.0007168 tCH₄ / m³CH₄.

⁴ On this model, see US EPA manual "Turning a Liability into an Asset: A Landfill Gas to Energy Handbook for Landfill Owners and Operators" (December 1994).



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flare technology and design under similar operating conditions⁵). The actual emissions from the flare will be continuously monitored *ex-post*.

According to the description in the *"Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane"* the project emissions from flaring gases are calculated as follows:

$$PE_{flare,y} = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} TM_{RG,h} \times (1 - \eta_{flare,h}) \times \frac{GWP_{CH4}}{1000}$$

Where:		
PE _{flare,y} :	tCO ₂ e	Project emissions from flaring of the residual gas stream in a year y;
TM _{RG,h}	kg/h	Mass flow rate of methane in the residual gas in the hour <i>h</i> ;
$\eta_{\text{flare, h}}$	-	Flare efficiency in hour <i>h</i> ;
GWP _{CH4} :	tCO2e / tCH4	Global Warming Potential of methane valid for the first commitment period.
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Average			
TM _{RG,h}	kg / h	4	0
$\eta_{\text{flare},h}$	-	99%	
GWP _{CH4}	tCH_4 / tCO_2	21	
Average		Per year (average)	10 years
PE _{flare,y}	tCO ₂ e	73	728

The mass flow rate of methane in the residual gas is calculated as follows:

$$TM_{RG,h} = FV_{RG,h} \times fv_{CH4,RG,h} \times \rho_{CH4,n}$$

Where: TM _{RG,h} FV _{RG,h}	kg/h Nm ³ /h	Mass flow rate of methane in the residual gas in the hour <i>h</i> ; Volumetric flow rate of the residual gas in dry basis at normal conditions in hour <i>h</i> ;
$fv_{CH4,RG,h}\\\rho_{CH4,n}$	- kg/Nm ³	Volumetric fraction of methane in the residual gas on dry basis in hour h ; Density of methane at normal conditions (0.7168).

Average		
FV _{RG,h}	Nm ³ /h	110
fv _{CH4,RG,h}	-	50%
$\rho_{CH4,n}$	kg/Nm ³	0.7168
TM _{RG,h}	kg / h	40

⁵"Low Emissions Ground Flare Systems" by Biogas Technology Ltd



The quantity of methane destroyed through combustion in the electricity generation engines is calculated using the following equation:

$$MD_{electricity,y} = LFG_{electricity,y} * w_{CH4,y} * D_{CH4}$$

Where:

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MD _{electricity,y} :	tCH ₄	Quantity of methane destroyed by generation of electricity during
		year y, in tonnes of methane;
LFG _{electricity,y} :	Nm ³ LFG	Quantity of landfill gas fed into the electricity generator during year
		<i>y</i> , in tonnes of methane;
W _{CH4,y} :	Nm ³ CH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG	Average methane fraction of the landfill gas as measured during
		year y, expressed as a fraction in cubic meter of methane per cubic
		meter of landfill gas;
D _{CH4} :	tCH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG	Methane density expressed in tonnes of methane per cubic meter of
		methane.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
LFG _{electricity,y}	Nm ³ LFG	7,769,667	77,696,667
W _{CH4,y}	Nm ³ CH ₄ / Nm ³ LFG	5	60%
D _{CH4}	tCH ₄ / Nm ³ CH4	0.00	007168
MD _{electricity,y}	tCH ₄	2,785	27,846

The quantity of methane destroyed through the combustion in the electricity generation engines $(MD_{electricity,y})$ would be calculated using the same equation as above, except for not using the adjustment factor related to flare efficiency (FE).

For the amount of methane destroyed in the baseline scenario, we use the following equation:

$$MD_{reg,y} = MD_{project,y} * AF$$

Where:		
MD _{reg,y} :	$t\mathrm{CH}_4$	Quantity of methane that would have been destroyed / combusted during year y in
		the absence of the project activity;
MD _{project,y} :	$t\mathrm{CH}_4$	Quantity of methane actually destroyed-combusted during year y, in tonnes of
		methane;
AF:	%	Adjustment factor in percentage.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
MD _{project,y}	tCH ₄	3,128	31,276
AF (%)	%	00	%



MD _{reg}	tCH ₄	0	0

The adjustment factor AF was set at 0%. This value is justified based on the fact that the regulatory requirements do not indicate any specific amount of gas collection and destruction or utilisation and that in practice, no LFG is actually flared. Currently the landfill operator is only passively venting and the collected gas produced in the landfills, primarily for safety purposes.

Due to the exposed location of the landfill in the outskirts of the city of Durango, steady winds keep blowing over the lowlands, which do not allow flaring of the collected LFG with the actual passive gas collection system. Therefore, the adoption of an adjustment factor of 0% is considered for the baseline scenario. $MD_{reg,y}$ therefore equals zero.

Electricity component

The emission reductions from the electricity component are calculated using the grid emission factor calculated below and an estimation of the net quantity of electricity displaced by the project (ELy) based on the electricity calculation parameters provided in Annex 3.

The greenhouse gas emission reductions achieved by the project activity during a given year y (ER_y) are calculated using the simplified equation mentioned earlier in section B.6.1:

$$ER_y = (MD_{project,y} - MD_{reg,y}) * GWP_{CH4} + EL_y * CEF_{electricity,y}$$

Where:		
ER _v :	tCO ₂ e	is emission reduction during a year y , in tonnes of CO ₂ equivalents;
MD _{project,y} :	tCH ₄	the amount of methane that would have been destroyed/combusted during a year <i>y</i> , in tonnes of methane;
MD _{reg,y} :	tCH ₄	the amount of methane that would have been destroyed/combusted during a year <i>y</i> in the absence of the project, in, tonnes of methane;
GWP _{CH4} :	tCO ₂ e / tCH ₄	Global Warming Potential of methane valid for the first commitment period;
EL _v :	MWh	net quantity of electricity exported during a year y, in megawatt hours ;
CEF _{electricity,y} :	tCO ₂ e/MWh	CO_2 emissions intensity of the electricity displaced during a year y, using AMS I.D.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
MD _{project,y}	tCH4	3,128	31,276
MD _{reg}	tCH4	0	0
GWP _{CH4}	tCH ₄ / tCO ₂	2	21
ELy	MWh	11,691	116,905
CEF	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.5	508
ERy	tCO ₂ e	71,642	716,424



Total electricity used *for* the project will be deducted from the amount of electricity produced *by* the project, thus emission reductions will only be claimed for the *net* electricity supplied to the grid. Net electricity generated by the project is therefore estimated using the following formula:

$$ELy = EL_{EX,LFG} - EL_{IMP}$$

Where:

EL_{EX,LFG}: MWh net quantity of electricity exported during a year *y*, produced using landfill gas, in megawatt hours;EL_{IMP}: MWh net incremental electricity imported, defined as difference of project electricity

imports less any imports of electricity in the baseline, to meet the project requirements.

Average		Per year (average)	10 years
EL _{EX,LFG}	MWh	11,953	119,533
EL _{IMP}	MWh	263	2,628
ELy	MWh	11,691	116,905

As the project electricity consumption is already considered in the formula above, in cases when the project is not generating electricity, the El_y term would be negative and therefore the corresponding project emissions would be deducted from the project's overall emission reductions.

The $CEF_{electricity,y}$, for the relevant grid was calculated according to the requirements for small scale electricity projects in Methodology AMS-I.D version 10 from 22 December 2006.

Choosing option a) Combined Margin (CM) to obtain the grid emission factor, AMS-I.D. clearly states that calculations shall be carried out according to the procedures prescribed in ACM0002. Thus, all equations applied to calculate the grid emission factor are taken from ACM0002 version 6 from 19 May 2006. ACM0002 points out that power plant capacity additions registered as CDM project activities should be excluded from the calculations, they will not be taken into account in the following calculations.

The carbon emission factor (CEF_{electricity}) is calculated in 3 steps, as follows:

• STEP 1. Calculate the Operating Margin emission factor (EFom,y), based on option (a) Simple OM.

(a) Simple OM. The Simple OM emission factor $(EF_{OM,simple,y})$ is calculated as the generationweighted average emission per electricity unit of all generation sources serving the system, not including low-operating cost and must-run power plants.

$$EF_{OM,y} = \frac{\sum_{i,j} F_{i,j,y} \cdot COEF_{i,j}}{\sum_{j} GEN_{j,y}}$$

Where:



$F_{i,j,y} \\$	mass or volume unit	The amount of fuel <i>i</i> consumed by relevant power sources <i>j</i> in year(s) <i>y</i> ;
COEF _{i,j,y}	tCO_2 / mass or volume unit of the fuel	The CO ₂ emission coefficient of fuel <i>i</i> , taking into account the carbon content of the fuels used by relevant power sources <i>j</i> and the percent of oxidation of the fuel in year(s) y ;
GEN _{j,y}	MWh	The electricity delivered to the grid by source <i>j</i> .

The CO₂ emission coefficient COEF_{i,j,y} is obtained as

$$COEF_{i,i} = NCV_i \cdot EF_{CO2,i} \cdot OXID_i$$

Where:

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NCV _i	TJ	Net calorific value per mass or volume unit of a fuel <i>i</i> ;
EF _{CO2,i}	tCO ₂ / TJ	CO_2 emission factor per unit of energy of the fuel <i>i</i> ();
OXID _i	%	Oxidation factor of the fuel.

• STEP 2. Calculate the Build Margin emission factor ($EF_{BM,y}$) as the generation-weighted average emission factor (tCO₂ / MWh) of a sample of power plants *m*, as follows:

$$EF_{BM,y} = \frac{\sum_{i,m} F_{i,m,y} \cdot COEF_{i,m}}{\sum_{m} GEN_{m,y}}$$

Where:

EF _{BM,y}	tCO ₂ / MWh	Build Margin Emission Factor in year y;
F _{i,m,y}	mass or volume unit	Amount of fuel <i>i</i> consumed by relevant power plants <i>m</i> in year(s) <i>y</i> ;
COEF _{i,m}	tCO ₂ / mass or volume	CO_2 emission coefficient of fuel <i>i</i> ,taking into account the carbon
	unit of the fuel	content of the fuels used by the relevant power plants <i>m</i> in year(s) <i>y</i> ;
GEN _{m,y}	MWh	Electricity delivered to the grid by power plants <i>m</i> in year <i>y</i> .

 $EF_{BM,y}$ will be determined *ex-ante*, basing on the most recent information on plants already built in the Host Country at the time of PDD submission.

• STEP 3. Calculate the baseline emission factor EF_y as the weighted average of the Operating Margin emission factor $EF_{BM,y}$ with the following equation:

$$EF_y = w_{OM} \cdot EF_{OM,y} + w_{BM} \cdot EF_{BM,y}$$

where the weights w_{OM} and w_{BM} , by default, are 50% (i.e., $w_{OM} = w_{BM} = 0.5$), and $EF_{OM,y}$ and $EF_{BM,y}$ are calculated as described in Steps 1 and 2 above and are expressed in tCO₂ / MWh.

The tables below shows a summary of the OM and BM used for calculating the CEF_{electricity,y}.

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Operating Margin of the			
Mexican Electricity Grid	2003	2004	2005

Table 1: Operating Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid



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Weighted Average Operating Margin	tCO ₂ / MWh		0.634	
Operating Margin	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.688	0.616	0.597
CO ₂ Emissions	tonnes	103,428,586	101,770,405	101,185,307
Electricity Generation	GWh	150,249	165,338	169,485

Table 2: Build Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid

Build Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid using the " <i>ex-ante</i> option"		2005
Electricity Generation	GWh	44,430
CO ₂ Emissions	tonnes	17,135,744
Build Margin	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.386

Table 3: Combined Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid "SIC"

Carbon Emission Factor 2003 - 2005		
Average Operating Margin 2003-2005	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.634
Average Build Margin 2005	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.386
Carbon Emission Factor	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.510

Detailed information of the used data and the calculations made are attached to Annex 3.

B.6.4. Summary of the ex-ante estimation of emission reductions:

The Consolidated Methodology for landfill projects uses an equation for calculating the amount of methane destroyed in the baseline scenario, as opposed to the amount of methane emitted in this scenario. We will use the convention established in the consolidated methodology and use this section to describe the amount of methane destroyed in the baseline and project scenario.

Year	Estimation of project activity emission reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	Estimation of baseline emission reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	Estimation of leakage (tonnes of CO2e)	Estimation of emission reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)
2007 (Aug-Dec)	17,588	0	not applicable	17,588
1	47,853	0	not applicable	47,853
2	58,843	0	not applicable	58,843
3	64,767	0	not applicable	64,767
4	70,373	0	not applicable	70,373
5	76,099	0	not applicable	76,099



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6	81,566	0	not applicable	81,566
7	87,208	0	not applicable	87,208
8	86,689	0	not applicable	86,689
9	82,288	0	not applicable	82,288
10 (Jan-Jul)	43,843	0	not applicable	43,843
Total (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	717,117	0	not applicable	717,117

B.7. Application of the monitoring methodology and description of the monitoring plan:

B.7.1. Data and parameters monitored:

Data / Parameter:	LFG _{total,v}
Data unit:	Nm ³
Description:	Total amount of LFG captured
Source of data to be used:	Project Developer
Value of data applied for the purpose of calculating expected emission reductions in section B.5	8,736,317 (average)
Description of measurement methods and procedures to be applied:	Data will be measured continuously with a flow meter by the project developer. The flow meter will be maintained and calibrated regularly in line with the manufacturer's recommendations. This will ensure that the accuracy of the measurement instrument is maintained, which can be assumed to be $< 3\%$. Data to be aggregated monthly and yearly.
QA/QC procedures to be applied:	Flow meters will be subject to a regular maintenance and testing regime to ensure accuracy.
Any comment:	The flow meter will express gas flow in normalized cubic meters, therefore no separate monitoring of pressure (P) and temperature (T) of LFG is necessary to determine density.

Data / Parameter:	LFG _{flared,y} (also FV _{RG,h})
Data unit:	Nm ³
Description:	Amount of LFG fed to the flare
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	966,650 (average)
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Data will be measured continuously with a flow meter by the project
measurement	



methods and procedures to be applied:	developer. The flow meter will be maintained and calibrated regularly in line with the manufacturer's recommendations. This will ensure that the accuracy of the measurement instrument is maintained, which can be assumed to be $< 3\%$. Data to be aggregated monthly and yearly.
QA/QC procedures to	Flow meters will be subject to a regular maintenance and testing regime to
be applied:	ensure accuracy.
Any comment:	The flow meter will express gas flow in normalized cubic meters, therefore no separate monitoring of pressure (P) and temperature (T) of LFG is necessary to determine density.
	LFG _{flared,y} is considered to be equivalent to the variable $FV_{RG,h}$ (volumetric flow rate of the residual gas) as described in the " <i>Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane</i> " to determine the project emissions from the flaring process.

Data / Parameter:	LFG _{electricity,y}
Data unit:	Nm ³
Description:	Amount of LFG combusted in power plant
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	7,769,667 (average)
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Data will be measured continuously with a flow meter by the project
measurement	developer. The flow meter will be maintained and calibrated regularly in line
methods and	with the manufacturer's requirements. This will ensure that the accuracy of the
procedures to be	measurement instrument is maintained, which can be assumed to be $< 3\%$.
applied:	Data to be aggregated monthly and yearly.
QA/QC procedures to	Flow meters will be subject to a regular maintenance and testing regime to
be applied:	ensure accuracy.
Any comment:	The flow meter will express gas flow in normalized cubic meters, therefore no
	separate monitoring of pressure (P) and temperature (T) of LFG is necessary to
	determine density.

Data / Parameter:	w _{CH4} (also fv _{CH4,,h})
Data unit:	$m^3 CH_4 / m^3 LFG$
Description:	Methane fraction in the Landfill Gas
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	50%
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Methane content will be measured continuously with a fixed gas analyser by
measurement	the project developer. The gas analyser will be maintained and calibrated



methods and procedures to be applied:	regularly in line with the manufacturer's requirements in order to ensure that factory standards of accuracy are maintained.
QA/QC procedures to be applied:	The analysers should be subject to a regular maintenance and calibration according to manufacturer's recommendation to ensure accuracy. A zero check and a typical value check should be performed by comparison with a standard certified gas.
Any comment:	Used to determine the methane concentration in the landfill gas fed to the flare. In accordance with the "Tool to determine project emissions from flaring gases containing methane" only the methane content of the landfill gas is monitored and the remaining part is considered as N ₂ . Further w_{CH4} is considered to be equivalent to the variable $fv_{CH4,h}$ (Volumetric fraction of the component CH ₄ in the landfill gas in the hour <i>h</i>).

Data / Parameter:	t _{02,h}
Data unit:	
Description:	Volumetric fraction of O_2 in the exhaust gas of the flare in the hour <i>h</i>
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Volumetric fraction of O ₂ will be measured continuously with in situ
measurement	analysers. The sample is taken with a high temperature probe and will be
methods and	conducted through filtration and conditioning system to ensure optimized
procedures to be	functioning of the analyzer. The point of measurement (sampling point) shall
applied:	be in the upper section of the flare (80% of total flare height).
QA/QC procedures to	The analysers will be subject to a regular maintenance and calibration
be applied:	according to manufacturer's recommendation to ensure accuracy. That is,
	analysers must be calibrated according to the manufacturer's
	recommendations. A zero check and a typical value check will be performed
	by comparison with a standard certified gas.
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	fv _{CH4,FG,h}
Data unit:	mg/m ³
Description:	Concentration of methane in the exhaust gas of the flare in dry basis at normal
	conditions in hour h
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	0
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Concentration of CH ₄ in the exhaust gas will be measured continuously with in



measurement methods and procedures to be applied: QA/QC procedures to	situ analyzers. The sample is taken with a high temperature probe and will be conducted through filtration and conditioning system to ensure dry basis and optimized functioning of the analyzer. The point of measurement (sampling point) shall be in the upper section of the flare (80% of total flare height). The analysers will be subject to a regular maintenance and calibration
be applied:	according to manufacturer's recommendation to ensure accuracy. That is, analysers must be calibrated according to the manufacturer's recommendations. A zero check and a typical value check will be performed by comparison with a standard certified gas.
Any comment:	Measurements will be undertaken in ppmv. This will be converted in accordance with the Tool.

Data / Parameter:	T _{flare}
Data unit:	°C
Description:	Temperature in the exhaust gas of the flare
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Measurement of the temperature in the exhaust gas with a type N
measurement	thermocouple.
methods and	
procedures to be	
applied:	
QA/QC procedures to	The thermocouple will be subject to a regular calibration according to
be applied:	manufacturer's recommendation to ensure accuracy.
Any comment:	Required to determine project emissions from methane flaring and indicate
	operating hours of the flare and its adequate operation.

Data / Parameter:	EL _{EX,LFG}
Data unit:	MWh
Description:	Total amount of electricity exported out of the project boundary
Source of data to be	Project Developer
used:	
Value of data applied	11,953 (average)
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Required to determine CO ₂ emissions from use of electricity or other energy
measurement	carriers to operate the project activity. Electricity will be measured
methods and	continuously using an electricity meter which will be maintained and
procedures to be	calibrated regularly to assure high levels of accuracy. The records of any
applied:	electricity imported in the baseline too should be recorded at the start of
	project.



QA/QC procedures to be applied:	Electricity meter will be maintained and calibrated regularly to assure high levels of accuracy.
Any comment:	Required to estimate the emission reductions from electricity generation from LFG, if credits are claimed.

Data / Parameter:	EL _{IMP}
Data unit:	MWh
Description:	Total amount of electricity imported to meet project requirements
Source of data to be used:	Grid operator
Value of data applied for the purpose of calculating expected emission reductions in section B.5	263
Description of measurement methods and procedures to be applied:	Required to determine CO2 emissions from use of electricity or other energy carriers to operate the project activity. Electricity will be measured continuously using an electricity meter which will be maintained and calibrated regularly to assure high levels of accuracy. The records of any electricity imported in the baseline too should be recorded at the start of project.
QA/QC procedures to be applied:	Measurements are to be cross-checked with invoices.
Any comment:	Required to determine CO ₂ emissions from use of electricity or other energy carriers to operate the project activity.

Data / Parameter:	Operation of the power plant
Data unit:	hours
Description:	Operation of the power plant
Source of data to be used:	Project developer
Value of data applied for the purpose of calculating expected emission reductions in section B.5	8000 hours/year
Description of measurement methods and procedures to be applied:	Data will be recorded annually by the project developer to ensure methane destruction is claimed for methane used in electricity plant when it is operational.
QA/QC procedures to be applied:	Equipment will be maintained in line with manufacturer's recommendations to assure high quality output.
Any comment:	

B.7.2. Description of the monitoring plan:	
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The monitoring plan details the actions necessary to record all the variables and factors required by the methodology ACM0001 (version 5 adopted at EB28), as detailed in section B.7.1 above. All data will be archived electronically, and backed up regularly. Moreover, it will be kept for the full crediting period, plus two years after the end of the crediting period or the last issuance of CERs for this project activity (whichever occurs later).

Project staff will be trained regularly in order to satisfactorily fulfill their monitoring obligations. The authority and responsibility for project management, monitoring, measurement and reporting will be agreed between the project participants and formalized. Detailed procedures for calibration of monitoring equipment, maintenance of monitoring equipment and installations, and for records handling will be established.

Further information on the delegation of responsibilities can be found in Annex 4.

B.8. Date of completion of the application of the baseline study and monitoring methodology and the name of the responsible person(s)/entity(ies):

Date of completion: 08 March 2007

Person/entity determining the baseline:

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Detailed baseline and monitoring information are attached to Annex 3 and 4.

SECTION C. Duration of the project activity / Crediting period

C.1 Duration of the project activity:

C.1.1. <u>Starting date of the project activity:</u>

01/07/2007

C.1.2. Expected operational lifetime of the project activity:

More than 20 years



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C.2 Cho	C.2 Choice of the <u>crediting period</u> and related information:		
C.2.	1. <u>Renewable cr</u>	Renewable crediting period	
	C.2.1.1.	Starting date of the first <u>crediting period</u> :	
	Not applicable	2	
	C.2.1.2.	Length of the first crediting period:	
	Not applicable		
C.2.	2. Fixed crediting	Fixed crediting period:	
	C.2.2.1.	Starting date:	
	19/07/2007		
	C.2.2.2.	Length:	

10 (ten) years

SECTION D. Environmental Impacts

D.1. Documentation on the analysis of the environmental impacts, including transboundary impacts:

The project will actively collect and combust LFG, thereby improving overall landfill management and reducing adverse global and local environmental effects of uncontrolled releases of landfill gas. While the main global environmental concern over gaseous emissions of methane is, that it is a potent greenhouse gas and thus contributes importantly to global warming, emissions of LFG can also have significant health and safety implications at the local level. For example:

- Risk of explosions and/or fires either within the landfill or outside its boundaries, although the majority of LFG emissions are quickly diluted in the atmosphere;
- Asphyxiation and/or toxic effects to humans from concentrated emissions of LFG;
- Local and global environmental effects such as odour nuisances, stratospheric ozone layer depletion, and ground-level ozone creation due to over 150 trace component contained in landfill gas.

Through both the installation of a well-designed LFG collection and a destruction/utilisation system and its proper operation, LFG will be captured and combusted in a controlled way, thereby removing safety risks from the surrounding community, reducing the risks of toxic effects on the local community and the local environment as well as reducing the emissions of a potent greenhouse gas.



It is worth noting that the Project Developer will install flares and electricity generation units which comply with stringent UK emission standards, thereby minimising the environmental impact from this particular source and suggesting that these emissions are significantly less harmful than the continued uncontrolled release of LFG. The Project will significantly reduce odour and greenhouse gas emissions.

In a previously conducted environmental impact study for a Latin-American landfill, where the same LFG collection and destruction/utilization system⁶ was installed as a component of the closure and rehabilitation plan, it was clearly stated that the construction of the LFG collection system and the monitoring of the LFG constitutes a favourable environmental impact because its minimising the negative effects of the LFG and thereby the risks of the landfill. Further it declares, that this presents a global and permanent impact of high magnitude and importance.⁷

Thus, the project activity can be referred as environmentally ameliorative, and the installation of the LFG collection and combustion system is part of a broader effort by the landfill operator to continue to improve waste management practices.

Nevertheless, an integral Environmental Impact Assessment is carried out by a local Consultant. The Environmental Impact Statement will take into account the overall landfill management as well as of the collection and combustion of the generated LFG. It will be available for the validators on request.

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

Not applicable.

SECTION E. Stakeholders' comments:

E.1. Brief description how comments by local stakeholders have been invited and compiled:

The stakeholder consultation took place on 19th of January 2007 in the Hotel Plaza Vizcaya en Durango and was well attended. The event allowed stakeholders to understand the basic concepts related to climate change, its consequences and the aims of the Kyoto Protocol, as well as the most important features of the Durango – EcoMethane Landfill Gas to Energy Project undertaken by the Project Developer.

The event was properly announced in various local newspapers like "El Sol de Durango", "El Siglo de Durango" and "Victoria". Specifically, representatives from all three levels (federal, state and municipal) of the government attended, as well as people from local authorities, a local university, local media, and members of the community participated in the event which lasted approximately 2 hours. All participants were registered with appropriate formats kept in the Project Developer's files.

⁶ described in Section A.4.3.

⁷ SIGEA (2006). Manifestación de Impacto Ambiental "Clausura y Ampliación del Relleno Sanitario de Ecatepec de Morelos, Estado de México". page 129, lines 13-15
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The stakeholder consultation included a brief introduction from the Municipal President and a description of the project and its benefits by the project proponent as well as detailed presentations by the Project Developer including the following topics: climate change; how this project is mitigating climate change through the Clean Development Mechanism of the Kyoto Protocol; the technical details of the project; and a session aimed at addressing questions posed by the stakeholders.

E.2. Summary of comments received:

To date no formal comments have been received from stakeholders. In general the community members and local authorities manifested their appraisal for the project. However, during the public consultation stakeholders raised various questions regarding the project, and the Project Developer provided comments, as follows:

- 1. What is the minimum number of CERs a landfill needs to generate in order to qualify for a development of such a project?
 - The Project Developer response was that the decision whether a LFG project can be considered or not does not depend on the generated CERs in the first place, but rather on the physical characteristic of the landfill. Once those characteristics are evaluated, the subsequent step of estimating the CERs will be carried out.
- 2. Why does the Project Developer not manage the landfill as a whole, including a leachate treatment system?
 - The Project Developer explained that the project activity in a first step only consists of a LFG capture and flaring system as this represents the Project Developers' expertise. In a second phase the possibility to generate electricity will be analyzed with the sister company. To develop a leachate treatment would be out of the scope of the Project Developers' expertise, and thus it is not contemplated within the proposed project activity.
- 3. A member of a research institute asked if this was the first project of this type or if there were similar projects in Mexico.
 - The Project Developer gave a brief summary of all the landfill projects that are being implemented in the Host Country, explaining briefly on which stage of the CDM they were, or how they differ from the proposed project activity.
- 4. What is the lifespan of a project of landfill biogas capturing and flaring?
 - The Project Developer specified that this kind of projects had different lifespans depending mainly on amount of biogas being generated, mentioning that biogas is produced up to more than 25 years after the final closure of the site. He explained how time projections in this project are formulated in terms of the enforcement of the Kyoto Protocol.
- 5. A representative of the local community asked the requirements for the capping, so that the biogas would not escape to the atmosphere.
 - The Project Developer explained that the ability of the capping, to keep the generated LFG in the landfill body, varies a lot depending on the materials used on each landfill. Thus, the requirements are different in each particular case. He also clarified that one of



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the mayor aims of landfill management is introducing an artificial conduction system for the generated LFG, in order to provide a forced extraction of the biogas and avoid uncontrolled migration.

- 6. Another representative of the local community asked about the costs of the project.
 - The Project Developer explained that the entire investment for the project activity is made by the Project Developers Company. There will be no costs, but substantial benefits for the Municipality.
- 7. A member of a local research institute remarked that though the project reduces methane emissions it is still generating CO_2 emissions going to the atmosphere.
 - The Project Developer answered that even though CO₂ emissions were generated when burning CH₄, still there was an important reduction of pollution at a 21:1 rate. The Project Developer also clarified that if electricity is eventually generated from this biogas, the reductions became even more significant because of the displacement of power generated from fossil fuels of recent power plants in the Mexican grid.
- 8. Another member of a local research institute asked if the options and different scenarios after Kyoto's expiry were being analyzed by the Project Developer.
 - The Project Developer explained that the different post-Kyoto scenarios are being analyzed, as well as the affect on the development of CDM projects in Mexico.

E.3. Report on how due account was taken of any comments received:

As indicated in Section E.2. above, there have been no formal comments submitted by any of the stakeholders regarding this project. Many of them had questions about the costs of LFG collection and utilization systems and future management of the landfills regarding the possibility to become potential CDM projects. All those questions and doubts were addressed at the meeting. Overall, the stakeholder consultation was a positive event with stakeholders being informed about the project activities.



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Annex 1

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Annex 2

INFORMATION REGARDING PUBLIC FUNDING

This project will not receive any public funding.



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Annex 3

BASELINE INFORMATION

LANDFILL CALCULATION PARAMETERS			
Parameter	Units	Durango Landfill	
	Landfill data		
Year landfill started operation		1999	
Waste in place at the beginning of project	tonnes		
Density of waste	tonnes/m ³	0.8	
Area of site	ha	30	
Average daily waste rate	tonnes/day	360	
Date gas collection project starts		16-Jul-2007	
	Landfill data Landfill data 1999 tonnes tonnes/m³ 0.8 ha 30 tonnes/day 360 tonnes/day 360 0.8 ha 30 tonnes/day 360 00perational data % 65% % 65% % 65% % 65% % 1/yr 0.08 % 50% % 50% % 50%		
Gas collection efficiency	%	65%	
Flare efficiency	%	99%	
	UnitsDuranLandfill dataImage: constraint of the second		
Lo	m ³ /tonne	121.0	
k	1/yr	0.08	
Methane content of landfill gas	%	50%	
GWP _{CH4}	tCO ₂ / tCH ₄	21	
Density of Methane	tCH ₄ / Nm ³	0.0007168	
	Baseline data		
Proportion of methane flared in Baseline (AF)	%	0%	

Table: Proprietary decay model used to estimate emission reductions.

Proprietary first order decay model (based on US EPA model)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} 2 k L_{0} M e^{-kt}i$$
Lo = methane generation potential (m3/ton)
M = mass of waste deposited (tonnes) in year "i"
k = refuse decay rate (1/year)
ti = age of waste (years) in year "i"



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Input data for the Electricity Generation component of the Project Activity

Input dataPROJECT DATADate project starts operating (year)2007Installed capacity (MW)2.00Estimated on-line availability of equipment (%)91%Operating period (h/yr)8,000BASELINE DATACountryMexicoCEF country (t CO2e/MWh)0.510Crediting period (years)10FINANCIAL PARAMETERS10Electricity tariff (US cents/KWh)7.0Rate of increase of tariff (%/yr)1.5%Income tax28.0%Discount rate12.0%	
PROJECT DATA	
Date project starts operating (year)	2007
Installed capacity (MW)	2.00
5 1 1	91%
Operating period (h/yr)	8,000
BASELINE DATA	
Country	Mexico
CEF country (t CO2e/MWh)	0.510
Crediting period (years)	10
FINANCIAL PARAMETERS	
Electricity tariff (US cents/KWh)	7.0
Rate of increase of tariff (%/yr)	1.5%
Income tax	28.0%
Discount rate	12.0%
Depreciation	10.0%
Price of carbon (US\$/tCO2)	7.00





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CER CALCULATION												
expected Methane fraction in LFG	m ³ CH ₄ / m ³ LFG	50%										
Density of methane at normal conditions	tonnes / m ³	0.0007168										
Global Warming Potential of methane valid for the commitment period	tCO ₂ / tCH ₄	21										
Tons of CO ₂ e destroyed in baseline	%	0%										
ex-ante estimated Flare Efficiency	%	99%										
LFG consumption per MWh generated	m ³ LFG / MWh	650										
Max. installed capacity	MW	2.00										
Operating hours per year	h / yr	8,000										
Electricity Consumption by the project	MWh / yr	263										
ex-ante Carbon Emission Factor	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.510										
Year		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Methane Destruction												
LFG volume collected per hour	Nm ³ LFG / h	643	728	811	892	970	1,048	1,125	1,201	1,193	1,133	1,037
LFG volume collected per year	Nm ³ LFG / year	2,345,348	6,378,804	7,104,239	7,810,035	8,500,654	9,180,184	9,852,376	10,520,685	10,451,616	9,921,144	5,298,080
Total LFG volume to be combusted in power generation	Nm ³ LFG / year	0	0	7,020,000	7,800,000	8,320,000	9,100,000	9,620,000	10,400,000	10,400,000	9,880,000	5, 156, 667
Total LFG volume to be flared	Nm ³ LFG / year	2,345,348	6,378,804	84,239	10,035	180,654	80,184	232,376	120,685	51,616	41,144	141,414
Methane combusted in power generation	tCH ₄ / yr	0	0	2,516	2,796	2,982	3,261	3,448	3,727	3,727	3,541	1,848
Methane flared	tCH ₄ / yr	840	2,285	30	4	65	29	83	43	18	15	51
Project Emissions from flaring	tCH ₄ / yr	8	23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Methane destroyed in project activity	tCH ₄ / yr	840	2,285	2,546	2,799	3,047	3,290	3,531	3,771	3,746	3,556	1,899
Baseline Emission Reductions	tCH ₄ / yr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Methane destroyed	tCH ₄ / yr	840	2,285	2,546	2,799	3,047	3,290	3,531	3,771	3,746	3,556	1,899
Emission Reductions from Methane Destruction	tCO ₂ / yr	17,644	47,987	53,469	58,781	63,979	69,093	74,152	79,182	78,663	74,670	39,875
Power Generation - Grid Electricity Displacement												
Installed capacity	MW	0	0.00	1.35	1.50	1.60	1.75	1.85	2.00	2.00	1.90	1.70
Gross Electricity Generation	MWh / yr	0	0	10,800	12,000	12,800	14,000	14,800	16,000	16,000	15,200	7,933
Electricity Consumption by the project	MWh / yr	110	263	263	263	263	263	263	263	263	263	153
Net Electricity Exports	MWh / yr	-110	-263	10,537	11,737	12,537	13,737	14,537	15,737	15,737	14,937	7,780
Emission reductions from grid electricity displacement	tCO ₂ e / yr	-56	-134	5,374	5,986	6,394	7,006	7,414	8,026	8,026	7,618	3,968
Emission reductions												
Total emission reductions from methane destruction	tCO ₂ e / yr	17,644	47,987	53,469	58,781	63,979	69,093	74,152	79,182	78,663	74,670	39,875
Emission reductions due to grid displacement	tCO ₂ / yr	-56	-134	5,374	5,986	6,394	7,006	7,414	8,026	8,026	7,618	3,968
Net Emission Reductions (tCO2/yr)	tCO ₂ / yr	17,588	47,853	58,843	64,767	70,373	76,099	81,566	87,208	86,689	82,288	43,843





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Investment Analysis

Project investments and co	osts		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
	Flaring systems (Shipped and commissioned)	US\$	\$247,753	\$0	\$9,789	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Gas collection system and civil works	US\$	\$172,530	\$0	\$77,212	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$0<	\$0
	Invstment gas collection & flaring	sioned) US\$ \$247,753 \$0 \$9,789 \$0 <td>\$0</td> <td>\$0</td> <td>\$0</td>	\$0	\$0	\$0								
	Electrical Generating Equipment	US\$	\$0	\$830,850	\$0	\$0	\$830,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAPITAL COST	Connection to Grid	US\$	\$0	\$420,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$38,200 \$3	\$0
	Ongoing gas collection and maint	US\$	\$0	\$47,750	\$0	\$0	\$162,350	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
	Civils	US\$	\$0	\$200,550	\$0	\$0	\$47,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Invstment Energy Generation	US\$	\$0	\$1,499,350	\$0	\$0	\$1,040,950	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
	TOTAL INVESTMENT	US\$	\$420,283	\$1,499,350	\$87,001	\$0	\$1,040,950	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
	Operation and Project Support Gas Collection & Flaring	US\$	\$90,679	\$148,891	\$158,539	\$161,142	\$163,925	\$166,904	\$33,180	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
O&M COST	Operation and Project Support Electricity Generation		\$0	\$426,790	\$452,397	\$479,541	\$508,313	\$538,812	\$571,141	\$605,409	\$641,734	\$680,238	\$721,052
	TOTAL O&M and PROJECT SUPPORT COST	US\$	\$90,679	\$575,680	\$610,936	\$640,682	\$672,238	\$705,716	\$604,320	\$605,409	\$641,734	\$680,238	\$721,052
	TOTAL PROJECT COST	US\$	\$510,962	\$2,075,030	\$697,936	\$640,682	\$1,713,188	\$705,716	\$661,620	\$605,409	\$699,034	\$718,438	\$721,052





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JFinancial Analysis:

 Tariff (US\$/MWh)	US\$ / MWh	70.0	1									
Rate of increase of power tariff	05\$71vivvn %	1.5%	_									
Depreciacion	%	1.5%	_									
Income Tax	%	28%										
Income Tax	70	28%	1									
CASH FLOW WITHOUT CDM		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Projected Emission Reductions (tCO ₂)	tCO ₂	17,588	47,853	58,843	64,767	70,373	76,099	81,566	87,208	86,689	82,288	43,843
REVENUE												
Electricity Generation												
Evolution of Power Tariff	US\$ / MWh	\$70.0	\$71.1	\$72.1	\$73.2	\$74.3	\$75.4	\$76.5	\$77.7	\$78.9	\$80.0	\$81.2
Annual Electricity Generation	MWh	0	-263	10,537	11,737	12,537	13,737	14,537	15,737	15,737	14,937	7,780
Electricity Revenue	US\$	\$0	\$0	\$759,898	\$859,134	\$931,457	\$1,035,921	\$1,112,692	\$1,222,610	\$1,240,949	\$1,195,533	\$632,033
INVESTMENT & COSTS												
a) Capital Cost												
Flaring systems (Shipped and commissioned)	US\$	\$247,753	\$0	\$9,789	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Gas collection system and civil works	US\$	\$172,530	\$0	\$77,212	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Investment gas collection & flaring	US\$	\$420,283	\$0	\$87,001	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electrical Generating Equipment	US\$	\$0	\$830,850	\$0	\$0	\$830,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Connection to Grid	US\$	\$0	\$420,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ongoing gas collection and maintenance	US\$	\$0	\$47,750	\$0	\$0	\$162,350	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
Civils	US\$	\$0	\$200,550	\$0	\$0	\$47,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Investment Energy Generation	US\$	\$0	\$1,499,350	\$0	\$0	\$1,040,950	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
TOTAL INVESTMENT	US\$	\$420,283	\$1,499,350	\$87,001	\$0	\$1,040,950	\$0	\$57,300	\$0	\$57,300	\$38,200	\$0
b) O&M Cost												
Operation and Project Support - Gas Collection & Flaring	US\$	\$125,847	\$150,554	\$163,065	\$166,759	\$170,108	\$173,621	\$33,180	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operation and Project Support - Electricity Generation	US\$	\$0	\$426,790	\$452,397	\$479,541	\$508,313	\$538,812	\$571,141	\$605,409	\$641,734	\$680,238	\$721,052
TOTAL O&M and PROJECT SUPPORT COST	US\$	\$125,847	\$577,344	\$615,462	\$646,299	\$678,421	\$712,433	\$604,320	\$605,409	\$641,734	\$680,238	\$721,052
TOTAL INVESTMENT & COST	US\$	\$546,131	\$2,076,694	\$702,463	\$646,299	\$1,719,371	\$712,433	\$661,620	\$605,409	\$699,034	\$718,438	\$721,052
Depreciacion	US\$	\$133,349	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$320,038	\$186,689
Gross profit before tax	US\$	-259, 197	-\$897,382	-\$175,603	-\$107,204	-\$67,002	\$3,449	\$188,334	\$297,162	\$279,177	\$195,257	-\$275,708
Cummulative (for carryforward tax)	US\$	-259, 197	-\$1,156,579	-\$1,332,181	-\$1,439,386	-\$1,506,388	-\$1,502,938	-\$1,314,605	-\$1,017,443	-\$738,266	-\$543,009	-\$818,716
Income Tax	US\$	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Profit	US\$	-\$259,197	-\$897,382	-\$175,603	-\$107,204	-\$67,002	\$3,449	\$188,334	\$297,162	\$279,177	\$195,257	-\$275,708
Cashflow without CDM	US\$	-\$546,131	-\$2,076,694	\$57,435	\$212,834	-\$787,914	\$323,488	\$451,072	\$617,201	\$541,915	\$477,096	-\$89,019
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Net Present Value (US\$)	-1,473,437	-1,473,437										
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Carbon Emission factors of the Mexican Electricity Grid

Operating Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid		2003	2004	2005
Electricity Generation	GWh	150,249	165,338	169,485
CO ₂ Emissions	tCO2	103,428,586	101,770,405	101,185,307
Operating Margin	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.688	0.616	0.597
Average weighted OM	tCO ₂ / MWh		0.634	

Build Margin of the Mexican Electricity Grid		2005
Electricity Generation	GWh	44,430
CO ₂ Emissions	tCO2	17,135,744
Operating Margin	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.386

Carbon Emission Factor		-
Average Operating Margin 2003-2005	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.634
Average Build Margin 2005	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.386
Carbon Emission Factor	tCO ₂ / MWh	0.510





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Grid Emission Factor of the Mexican Electricity Grid 2003 – 2005

Total generation of plants considered in the BM 44,430 GWh

20%

% of total generation considered for BM



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Applied Conversion Factors and Assumptions taken for the grid emission calculation

Carbon Emission Factors used to calculate the Build Margin

	Efficiency *	CEF (tCO ₂ /MWh)
Combined cycle gas turbine powerplants (CCGT)	50%	0.404
Open cycle gas turbine powerplants (OCGT)	32%	0.631

Calculations

	Generation	Efficiency	Energy Consumption		Fuel Consumption	CO ₂ emissions	
	GWh	%	GWh	TJ	tonnes	T CO2	
CCGT	1.0	50%	2.00	7.20	149.99	403.89	
OCGT	1.0	32%	3.13	11.25	234.36	631.07	

Conversion Factors

Fuel	Energy	CEF	CO ₂ emissions	Net calorific value	Carbon oxidation	
Unit	TJ/GWh	tC/TJ	tCO2/tfuel	TJ/t fuel	%	
Natural gas (dry)	3.6	15.30	2.6928	0.0480	100.00	

2006 IPCC Guidelines for national greenhouse gas inventories

The Board recommended, however, that the project participants, in absence of power plant specific fuel data, use the following values for fuel the efficiency level in Brazil, as a conservative proxy for plant efficiencies, to calculate the build margin emission factor for grid electricity:

(i) Combined cycle gas turbine power plants - 50%,

(ii) Open cycle gas turbine power plants - 32%,

(iii) Sub-critical coal power plants - 33%, and

(iv) Oil based power plant sub-critical oil boiler - 33%.

This approach was also considered to calculate the build margin emission factor for the Mexican Grid.



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Annex 4

MONITORING INFORMATION

Table: Operational procedures and responsibilities for monitoring and quality assurance of emission reductions from the project activity(E = responsible for executing data collection, R = responsible for overseeing and assuring quality, I = to be informed, N = not involved)

Process	Site Operators	Site/Regional Manager	Carbon Credits Data Provider	Equipment Supplier	Carbon Credits Data Controller	Carbon Credits Process Manager	EcoSecurities
Field Balancing	Е	R	Ν	Ν	Ι	Ι	Ν
Secondary Daily Data Gathering	Е	R	N	N	R	Ι	N
Internal calibration/maintenance	Е	R	N	Ι	Ι	Ι	N
External calibration/maintenance	Ι	R	N	Е	R	Ι	Ι
Calibration/ Maintenance; faults reporting	Е	Ι	Ι	Ι	E	R	Ι
Enter secondary data into data gathering sheet	Е	R	N	N	R	Ι	N
Ensuring upload primary data to data base	Ν	N	Е	N	R	R	N
Download primary data from data provider	Ν	Ι	Ι	N	E	Ι	Ι
Data analysis	Ν	Ι	N	N	E	R	Ι
CER calculation	Ν	N	N	N	E	R	Ι
Archive primary and secondary data and reports	Ν	N	Е	N	E	R	Ι
Produce monthly & annual reports	Ν	N	Ι	N	E	R	R
Ensure quality management of data and operations under ISO9000	Ι	Ι	Ι	N	Ι	Е	R