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SECTION A. General description of project activity

A.1 Title of the <u>project activity</u>:

>> Salto Curuá Hydroelectric Project PDD Version Number 01 16/08/2007

A.2. Description of the <u>project activity</u>:

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The Salto Curuá Hydroelectric Project (hereafter, the "Project") developed by Curuá Energia S/A (hereafter referred to as the "Project Developer") consists of the installation of a small hydroelectric plant with an installed capacity of 30MW, located in the Curuá River, in the municipality of Novo Progresso, Pará State.

The plant has the objective to provide renewable electricity to the municipalities of Novo Progresso and Castelo dos Sonhos, in Pará State. A transmission line of an estimated 209 km will be built by the project developer and will be connected to the Pará isolated grid system (hereafter referred to as "the Grid") in the municipality of Novo Progresso.

The grid is located in Pará State, in the Amazonian region. This is a very remote area, where the development of electricity supply infrastructure has been difficult. In most of the Amazonian region, the solution for the electricity supply problem, in the remote areas, has been the implementation of an isolated electricity system based on thermal power plants, fired by fossil fuels, mainly diesel oil.

The plant will bring renewable electricity to develop this remote area both socially and economically which is a notoriously difficult task. This project will increase the supply of electricity to the grid, offsetting thermal generation with a renewable source of energy generation. It is not necessary to account for project emissions from the reservoir as the power density of the proposed project will be 100 W/m². The calculation of emissions reductions can be found in section B.6.

The participants of the project recognize that this Project activity is helping Brazil to fulfil its goals of promoting sustainable development. Specifically, the project is in line with host-country specific CDM requirements due to the following reasons:

- Contributes to local environmental sustainability, since it decreases the dependence on fossil fuels, thus improving air quality.
- Contributes towards better working conditions and increases employment opportunities in the area where the project is located.
- Contributes towards better revenue distribution since it assists the regional/local economic development.
- Contributes development of technological capacity because part of the technology comes from developed countries (Germany), but the hand labour and technical maintenance will be provided inside Brazil, consolidating the technology in the country.



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- Contributes to regional integration and connection with other sectors. The project facilitates the increase of small hydroelectric plants as a generating source in the region and therefore may encourage other similar companies to replicate this technology.

A.3. <u>Project participants:</u>

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Table 1 - Project participants

Name of party involved (*) ((host) indicates a host party)		
Brazil (host)	Curuá Energia S/A	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 involved may or may not have provided its approval. At the time requesting registration, the approval by the Party(ies) involved is required.

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>

Brazil. (the "Host Country")

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

Pará State.

A.4.1.3. City/Town/Community etc:

Novo Progresso Municipalities

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

The exact location of the project is defined using GPS coordinates 08°46'24"S; 54°57'25"W.

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



According to Annex A of the Kyoto Protocol, this project fits in UNFCCC Sectoral Category 1: Energy Industries (renewable / non-renewable sources).

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

The project consists of a plant that generates renewable electricity to supply electricity to the grid. The hydro power plant has four sets of equipment. Each set consists of one Horizontal Axle Francis type turbine and generator provided by Energ Power Ltda. In a Francis turbine, water flows through the rotor of the turbine; the flow forms a right angle to the turbine axle.

Table 2 – Turbine technical description

Turbine Type	Horizontal Axle Francis
Nominal Capacity	8.62 MW

Table 3 - Generator technical description

Nominal Power	9,37 MVA
Synchronous Speed	600 rpm
Equipment Set	87%
Efficiency	

By legal definition of the Brazilian Power Regulatory Agency (ANEEL – *Agência Nacional de Energia Elétrica*), resolution number 652, issued on December 9th, 2003, small hydro plants in Brazil must have installed capacity greater than 1MW but not more than 30MW. Although the nominal capacity of the plant is 34.48MW, the installed capacity of the plant is 30MW, because of the efficiency of 87%. All legal authorizations are based on 30MW of installed capacity.

A low level diversion dam raises the water level of the river sufficiently to enable an intake structure to be located on the side of the river. The diversion dam consists of water intake structures, a spillway and an adduction structure, with a total length of about 1500 m. A 138 kV transmission line from the switchyard to the Centrais Elétricas do Pará (CELPA), the system concessionaire sub-station at Novo Progresso is used to connect the plant to the grid.

The technology used in the project is environmentally safe and sound. A run-of-river hydro plant requires only a minimally sized diversion dam, which stores water to generate electricity for short periods of time; the project's reservoir area is 0.3 km^2 . The project power density is 100 W/m^2 , in compliance with the applicability condition of the methodology.

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

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 Table 4 - Estimated Emissions Reductions from the Project



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Years	Annual estimation of emission reductions in tonnes of CO2e	
2008 (April-Dec)	133,483	
2009	177,977	
2010	177,977	
2011	177,977	
2012	177,977	
2013	177,977	
2014	177,977	
2015	177,977	
2016	177,977	
2017	177,977	
2018 (Jan- March)	44,494	
Total estimated reductions (tonnes of		
CO2e)	1,779,770	
Total number of Crediting years	10	
Annual average over the crediting		
period of estimated reductions		
(tonnes of CO2e)	177,977	

A.4.5. Public funding of the <u>project activity</u>:

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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>:

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1. The baseline methodology: ACM0002: "Consolidated baseline methodology for grid connected electricity generation from renewable sources" version 06, in effect as of 19 May 2006;

2. The monitoring methodology: the approved consolidated monitoring methodology

ACM0002:"Consolidated monitoring methodology for zero-emissions grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources", Version 06 in effect as of 19 May 2006;

3. The tool for demonstration and assessment of additionality: the approved methodology of "the tool for demonstration and assessment of additionality", Version 03, in effect as of 16 February 2007 (EB29).

More information about the methodology can be obtained at:

http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAmethodologies/approved.html.

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

Criteria	Are the criteria met?	Justification
 Applies to electricity capacity additions from: Run-of-river hydro power plants; hydro power projects with existing reservoirs where the volume of the reservoir is not increased. New hydro electric power projects with reservoirs having power densities (installed power generation capacity divided by the surface area at full reservoir level) greater than 4 W/m² Wind sources; Geothermal sources; Wave and tidal sources. 	Yes	As the description in section A.4.3, the Project consists of a hydro power plant with a diversion dam and thus is in accordance with this requirement. The power density of the reservoir is greater than 10 W/m ² .
This methodology is not applicable to project activities that involve switching from fossil fuels to renewable energy at the site of the project activity, since in this case the baseline may be the continued use of fossil fuels at the site;	Yes	The project consists in a construction of a new hydroelectric plant, therefore no fuel switch is applicable.
The geographic and system boundaries for the relevant electricity grid can be clearly identified and information on the characteristics of the grid is available	Yes	The plant is connected to the Pará Isolated System. All data necessary to calculate the grid



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		emission factor was collected with ELETROBRÁS
Applies to grid connected electricity generation from landfill gas capture to the extent that it is combined with the approved "Consolidated baseline methodology for landfill gas project activities" (ACM0001).	Not applicable	The project is a hydroelectric project, thus this condition is not applicable.

The project activity meets all the conditions above and is therefore applicable to the methodology.

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

The project boundary includes the Pará Isolated Grid, the physical site of the plant as well as the reservoir area. For the baseline determination, only CO_2 emissions from electricity generation in fossil fuel fired power that is displaced due to the project activity were accounted for.

Although the reservoir area is included in the spatial extent of the project boundary, since the project power density is greater than 10 W/m², it is not necessary to account for project emissions.

The grid boundary is clearly defined as the spatial extent of the power plants that can be dispatched without significant transmission constraints. Specifically for this project the grid in question is the Pará Isolated System.

Table 6 - GHG included or excluded in the project boundary

	Source	Gas	Included?	Justification / Explanation
Baseline	Grid electricity production	CO ₂	Included	According to ACM0002, only CO_2 emissions from electricity generation in fossil fuel fired power that is displaced due to the project activity should be accounted for.
Ba		CH_4	Excluded	According to ACM0002
		N ₂ O	Excluded	According to ACM0002
ject vity	Hydro electric electricity production	CO ₂	Excluded	According to Annex 5, EB 23, hydroelectric power plants with power densities greater than 4 but less than 10 W/m^2 have to use a default emission factor
Project Activity	_	CH ₄	Excluded	of 90 gCO ₂ eq/kWh to calculate project emissions. Project power density is 100 W/m ² hence this
		N ₂ O	Excluded	source of emission is not included.

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



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The project consists of a new electricity generation facility that will supply electricity to the grid. As stated in the methodology, for project activities that do not modify or retrofit an existing electricity generation facility, the baseline scenario is the following:

Electricity delivered to the grid by the project would have otherwise been generated by the operation of grid-connected power plants and by the addition of new generation sources, as reflected in the combined margin (CM) calculations described in section B.6.1.

The following table provides the key information and data used to determine the baseline scenario:

 Table 7 - Key information and data used to determine the baseline scenario

Variable	Unit	Data Source
Operating Margin Emissions Factor (EF_OM _v in tCO ₂ /MWh)	tCO ₂ /MWh	ANEEL, Eletrobras S.A,
Build Margin Emissions Factor (EF_BM _y , in tCO ₂ /MWh)	tCO ₂ /MWh	ANEEL, Eletrobras S.A,
Baseline Emissions factor (EF _y)	tCO ₂ /MWh	ANEEL, Eletrobras S.A,

Electricity generation in the grid is from thermoelectric plants with internal combustion technology and diesel fuelled. The baseline is defined as the Pará isolated grid system which consists of 6 thermoelectric plants, with a total of 10.725 MW of installed capacity. The electricity generation in the grid is 100% thermoelectric. Therefore, thermal technology will be employed in the absence of the project activity.

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 project activity (assessment and demonstration of additionality):

General Context:

According to the audit report from the Brazilian Court of Audit (2004), the Brazilian Electricity System mainly consists of an interconnected system that is divided into regions of South, Southeast, Middle-West, Northeast and part of the North - the other part of the North Region is isolated from the Brazilian Interconnected system. Pará State, a very remote area, is not connected to this system. Being interconnected is difficult as building and maintaining transmission lines in the middle of the rainforest is complex and expensive. In the rainforest, power sources must be built near the user. Therefore, in order to minimize electricity supply risks in this remote area, the solution has been the implementation of isolated electricity systems, based on thermal fossil fuel fired power plants.

In 1993, in order to promote the development of the North region through a decrease in consumer electricity cost, the Brazilian Government passed a law - 8631/93 - that obliged all energy concessionaires to divide proportionally the costs of fossil fuel (e.g. diesel or fuel oil) consumed in isolated systems in the North region. Subsequently, electricity would be supplied to consumers at a reasonable price. This obligation to divide fuel costs is called CCC -"Conta Consumo de Combustíveis", meaning Fuel Consumption Account.



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Besides CCC, the government also created the CCC Subrogation in 1999 (law no. 9648/98). This policy was implemented because CCC only applied to electricity generation from thermal units fired by fossil fuels. The CCC subrogation states that renewable energy can apply for a government subsidy. Therefore, the subrogation of CCC resources facilitates the replacement of fossil fuel consumption by other alternative and renewable sources, as for example, hydro energy (Tolmasquim, 2004).

CCC Subrogation could represent an attractive incentive: according to ANEEL (National Electricity Agency), the costs associated with the implementation of new renewable energy generation unit can be subsided by 50% to 75% and the internal rate of return for these investments will increase considerably. However, there are two main obstacles involved in the CCC Subrogation that will be detailed below and need to be specifically considered for the implementation of the project activity.

In spite of the CCC laws which were created to make electricity affordable to the local population, according to "ANEEL CCC + CCC subrogation utilization guide", other legal devices should be created to help the transition from thermal to renewable energy; the Kyoto Protocol is suggested as an alternative.

However, even with the existence of the CCC subrogation subsidy, as quoted from the Brazilian Court of Audit, there is "lack of interest, from energy concessionaires, to lose the guaranteed CCC resources in order to support generation investments on the basis of alternative sources. Moreover, the North Region concessionaires present an unfavourable economic financial situation. This conjuncture brings unreliability related to capital spending in renewable sources projects to the investors of the generation area ..." (Translated from Brazilian Court of Audit, 2004, paragraph 113).

Laws and regulations are different for isolated systems than for interconnected systems. The main distinguishing factor between the two types of systems is the pattern of electricity generation. Interconnected systems are characterized by the participation of private entities while for isolated systems, the government is the dominant provider. Interconnected systems functioning is controlled by three institutions: ONS, the system operator and body responsible for optimization, coordination, control and operation of the system; ANEEL, the national electricity agency, responsible for inspection and regulation of production, transmission, distribution and commercialization of electricity; and MAE, the electricity wholesale market, where electricity transactions are made based on a spot market and regulated by ANEEL. All market transactions are completed at auctions. In 1994, to replace MAE, the CCEE (Câmara *de Comércio de Energia Elétrica* – Electricity Energy Commercialization Chamber) was created; it is responsible, inter alia, for MAE's actions. The system in the Rondônia-Acre area, where the project is located, is not interconnected, thus the generation, distribution and commercialization characteristics are different to those of the main interconnected grids and are mainly based on the state model.

In conclusion, isolated systems have a particular pattern of regulation, totally different from that of connected systems. Such isolated systems are unlikely to be connected to the main grid because the interconnection is difficult for the reasons outlined above.

The determination of project scenario additionality is done considering the general context described above and using latest version of the "Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality" agreed by the Executive Board, which follows the following steps:



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Project participants wish to have the crediting period begin after the registration of the project activity. However, communication between the project developer and the carbon consultants started before the project starting date.

The early stages of the Project construction began in 2002. A short period of time after, the construction was halted due to lack of funds. Construction stayed on hold for a number of years and was only restarted in August 2006 following the refinancing of the project considering CDM revenues. For the assessment of additionality, it is important to note that CDM consideration represented an important part in the decision to go ahead with the project. This situation of starting construction prior to all the financing being in place is common amongst the electricity sector in Brazil, where having action started on the ground tends to make it easier to get licenses and authorizations from the Electricity Agency and to attract investors. This situation is so common that the Electricity Agency has now established a stated period for authorized entities to begin project construction; after this time period, the entities will lose the concession to explore the electricity potential.

The starting date of the project activity is defined as the date in which the construction of the project restarted. Prior to that date, project developers were in contact with carbon consultants and during that communication CDM revenues were seriously considered for the project feasibility.

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

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

All realistic and credible baseline alternatives to the project activity were identified and are listed below.

- Scenario 1 Continuation of current practices, i.e. electricity will continue to be generated by the existing generation mix, predominantly fossil-fuel-fired thermal plants, operating in the grid
- Scenario 2 Construction of a thermoelectric plant with internal combustion technology, diesel fuelled and with a energy output similar to the project activity and;
- Scenario 3 Undertaking of the Project Activity not as a CDM project.

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

Scenario 1 – Is consistent with current laws and regulations. There is no regulation in Brazil to prevent continuation of the current practice.

Scenario 2 – Is consistent with current laws and regulations. There is no regulation in Brazil to prevent implementation of thermoelectric plants.

Scenario 3 – Is consistent with current laws and regulations. There is no regulation in Brazil to prevent implementation of hydroelectric plants.



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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: simple cost analysis (where no benefits other than CDM income exist for the project), investment comparison analysis (where comparable alternatives to the project exist) or benchmark analysis.

Option three was chosen (benchmark analysis).

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

The Net Present Value (NPV) will be used as the most appropriate financial indicator for the analysis. The NPV places a valuation, in terms of present value, on the future income associated with a project or investment alternative; it measures the present value of cash flows generated by the project. The decision to go ahead with the project will not be made unless the NPV is positive. A positive NPV generates value to the company and a negative NPV represents a loss to the company.

In order to perform a benchmark analysis using NPV, a discount rate must be chosen. The basis for the selected discount rate used in the financial analysis is the SELIC rate (Sistema Especial de Liquidação e Custodia, that is, Special System of Clearance and Custody), set by the Banco Central do Brasil (Central Bank of Brazil); this rate represents the expected return of a low risk investment fund¹. Financial analyses resulting in a negative NPV means that the investment return is lower than the discount rate and thus lower than the return from a low risk investment. A positive NPV represents a return higher than a conservative investment. Scenarios with a negative NPV present significant financial/economical barriers. In 2005, the year when the decision to invest in the project activity was taken, the SELIC rate oscillated between 19.77% and 17.74% (Brazil Central Bank, http://www.bcb.gov.br/?english). In order to be conservative, 17% has been taken as a reference value for the financial analysis. The financial analysis compares the project activity to the benchmark, represented by the SELIC rate.

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

Table 8 shows the financial analysis for the project activity without carbon finance. As demonstrated, the project NPV without carbon is negative, proving that the Project is not attractive for investors, which inhibits the project's implementation. The cash flow analysis was done for a 12 years period, the average length of loans in the electricity sector. See Annex 3 for more information about the Financial Analysis.

Financial Analysis	Values
Discount Rate	17.00%
	-R\$ 14,254,055.48
NPV	

 Table 8 - Project Financial Analysis Results

¹ Central Bank of Brazil http://www.bcb.gov.br/?SELICEN



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Sub-step 2d: Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis was conducted by altering the following parameters:

- Electricity generation increase;
- Taxes reduction;
- O&M costs reduction;
- Investment reduction.

These parameters were selected as they are the most likely to fluctuate over time. Financial analyses were performed altering these parameters by 10% and assessing what the impact on the project NPV would be (see Table 9 below).

Table 9 - Sensitivity analysis summary

Sensitivity Analysis	Variation	Project IRR
Electricity Generation	10%	-R\$ 10,630,342.21
Taxes	-10%	-R\$ 13,046,151.05
O&M Costs	-10%	-R\$ 7,573,781.20
Investments	-10%	-R\$ 9,204,936.66

The financial analysis shows that even if the critical parameters are varied more than expected, the NPV of the project is still negative and therefore not financially attractive for a rational investor.

Step 4. Common Practice Analysis

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

The additionality tool specifies that projects are considered similar if "they occur in the same country/region or rely on a broadly similar technology, are of a similar scale, and take place in a comparable environment with respect to regulatory framework, investment climate, access to technology, access to financing, etc." For this Project an analysis of similar activities in the isolated systems from the North Region of Brazil and an analysis of the grid which the project is connected to are considered to be the most appropriate, as investment conditions and some regulatory requirements tend to define these systems rather than regions.

Table 10 - Isolated Systems Configuration in 2006 (source: Eletrobras)

	Numbe	er of units	Installed Capacity (MW)	
	Hydro Thermal		Hydro	Thermal
All Isolated Systems in Brazil Pará Isolated	61	1,443	628.549	3,391.543
Systems	0	173	0	158.817

Table 10 above includes information about the isolated systems in Brazil. Table 11 shows the same data in percentage form. The data was taken from the Operational Plan for 2006, a public report issued by ELETROBRÁS.

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

As shown by the information provided above, generating electricity in hydroelectric plants is not a common activity in isolated systems from the North Region of Brazil. Hydropower stations comprise an insignificant part of the installed capacity of isolated systems.

	Number of units		Installed Capacity (MW)	
	Pará isolated systems All		Pará isolated systems	All
Total	173	1,504	158.817	4,020.092
Hydro	0%	4.06%	0%	15.64%
Thermal	100%	95.94%	100%	84.36%

Table 11 – Thermal and Hydro units in Pará and in all isolated systems in Brazil, 2006 (source: Eletrobras)

Thermal electricity installed capacity and generation inside isolated systems has historically increased since 2001 until 2006. According to the Operational Plan for 2003 (ELETROBRAS), forecasted hydro generation was 2,048 GWh, while thermal generation was 6,991 GWh. Furthermore, thermal generation was projected to increase by 9% and hydro generation to decrease by 5%. In the Operational Plan for 2005, a comparison between thermal and hydro generations in 2004 and 2005 indicates a clear predominance of thermal generation: hydro generation capacity is an average of 257MW and thermal generation capacity is an average 900MW. In the Operational Plan for 2006, installed thermal capacity remains higher than installed hydro capacity. In comparing the 2005 and 2006 reports, it can be seen that the 2005 installed thermal capacity increased by 7.76% while installed hydro capacity decreased 3.83%.

Therefore, based on this data, it is clearly demonstrated that the prevailing practice of energy generation and installed capacity in the Pará isolated systems is predominantly thermal and, consequently, the trend in the region is the construction of fossil fuel based thermal units rather than the construction of hydro units.

All steps of the Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality were satisfied, thus the project is additional to what would have occurred in absence of the project activity.

B.6 Emission reductions

B.6.1. Explanation of methodological choices:

Step 1 – Calculate the Operating Margin emission factor: the calculation was based on the simple OM method, option (a) of the methodology. This method was selected because low-cost/must run



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resources constitute less than 50% of total grid generation in average of the five most recent years. For more information please see Annex 3.

The OM was calculated *ex-ante*, using the full generation-weighted average for the most recent 3 years for which data are available at the time of PDD submission.

The Simple OM emission factor (*EFom,simple*) is calculated as the generation-weighted average emissions per electricity unit (tCO₂/MWh) of all generating sources serving the system, not including low-operating cost and must-run power plants:

$$EF_{OM,simple} = \frac{\sum_{ij} F_{ij} \cdot COEF_{ij}}{\sum_{j} GEN_{j}} \quad (1)$$

Where,

 F_{ij} is the amount of fuel *i* (in GJ) consumed by power source *j* in year *y*; *j* is the set of plants delivering electricity to the grid, not including low-cost or must-run plants and carbon financed plants;

 $COEF_{i,i}$ is the carbon coefficient of fuel *i* (tCO₂/GJ);

GEN_j is the electricity (MWh) delivered to the grid by source *j*.

Step 2 – Calculate the Build Margin emission factor: the calculation was done as the generation-weighted average emission factor (tCO_2/MWh) of a sample of power plants *m*, as follows:

$$EF_{BM} = \frac{\sum_{im} F_{im} \cdot COEF_{ij}}{\sum_{m} GEN_{m}}$$
(2)

Where $F_{i,m,y}$, $COEF_{i,m}$ and $GEN_{m,y}$ are analogous to the variables described for the simple OM method above, for plants *m*. This sample includes either the last five plants built or the most recent plants that combined account for 20% of the total generation, whichever is greater (in MWh). From these two options the sample group that comprises the larger annual generation is the five most recent plants.

Due to the fact that data of power plant generation and fuel consumption is not currently available in Pará, it was necessary to use EB guidance to calculate the BM.

The formula derived from the deviation of methodology is expressed as:

$$EF_{BM,y} = \frac{CAP_{thermal, y-n, y}}{\sum_{j} CAP_{j, y-n, y}} \cdot EF_{thermal, adv}$$
(3)

Where:

CAP $_{thermal_y,n,y}$ is the incrementally installed capacity of thermal power capacity (MW) in year y compared to that of year y-n;



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 $\sum_{j} CAP_{j, y-n, y}$ is the aggregate incrementally installed capacity of all kind of power generation capacity (MW) in year *y* compared to that of year *y-n*;

 $EF_{thermal,adv}$ is the emission factor of thermal power generation capacity of the applicable electricity system with the efficiency level of the best commercially available technology.

The way of defining "*n*" is the following:

The generation capacity addition used to calculate the BM has to be above 20 % of the current electricity generation capacity in year y. "n" is therefore the number of years (y-1, y-2, ..., y-n) which have to be used to achieve the 20% capacity addition of the current electricity generation capacity.

The result for "n" should make the following equation be realised:

$$\frac{\sum_{j} CAP_{j,y-n}}{\sum_{j} CAP_{j,y}} \ge 20\%$$

The Grid is historically based exclusively on diesel fuelled thermal power plants. All addictions to the system are thermal, hence the fraction of thermal addiction, represented by the term $\frac{CAP_{thermal, y-n, y}}{\sum_{j} CAP_{j, y-n, y}}$ in

the formula (3) is 100%.

The EF_{BM} is simplified to $EF_{thermal}$. Therefore the BM was calculated based on the efficiency of a state-ofthe-art diesel fuelled subcritical power plant, the value which was agreed by the Executive Board for power plants in Brazil. See Table 13 below.

Step 3 – Calculate the baseline emission factor: the calculation was done as the weighted average of the Operating Margin emission factor and the Build Margin emission factor:

 $EF = w_{OM} \cdot EF_{OM,simple} + w_{BM} \cdot EF_{BM} \quad (4)$

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.

Project Emissions: (*PE*)

According to Annex 5, EB 23, hydroelectric power plants with power densities greater than 4 but less than 10 W/m^2 have to account for project emissions due to the reservoir. The Project power density is 100 W/m^2 , thus a default emission factor of 90 gCO₂eq/kWh is used to estimate project emissions.

$$PE_{y} = \frac{EF_{res} \cdot EG_{y}}{1000} \quad (5)$$

Where:



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- PE_v Emissions from reservoir expressed as tCO2e/year
- EF_{res} is the default emission factor for emissions from reservoirs, and the default value as per EB23 is 90 Kg CO₂e /MWh.
- EG_v is the annual net electricity generated from the Project and delivered to the grid

Baseline Emissions: (BE) resulting from the electricity supplied and/or not consumed from the grid is calculated as follows,

 $BE = EG_v \cdot EF$ (6)

Where,

 EG_{v} is the annual net electricity generated from the Project and delivered to the grid

Leakage Emissions: (L) no leakage emissions calculation is needed.

Emission Reductions: (ER)

ER = BE - PE(7)

B.6	.2.	Data and	parameters	that are	available at	validation:	

Data / Parameter:	EF _{OM, simple}
Data unit:	tCO ₂ /MWh
Description:	Grid Operating Margin
Source of data used:	ELETROBRAS S.A., ANEEL and IPCC, 2006
Value applied:	0.7301
Justification of the	OM is calculated according to option (a) Simple OM method of methodology
choice of data or	ACM0002. For further information please refer to Annex 3.
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures	
actually applied :	
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	w _{OM}
Data unit:	Fraction
Description:	Weighting
Source of data used:	ACM0002
Value applied:	0.5
Justification of the	Default weight value for Operating Margin taken from ACM0002



choice of data or	
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures	
actually applied :	
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	EF _{BM}
Data unit:	tCO ₂ /MWh
Description:	Grid Build Margin
Source of data used:	ELETROBRAS S.A., ANEEL and IPCC, 2006
Value applied:	0.8080
Justification of the	BM is calculated according to methodology ACM0002. For further information
choice of data or	please refer to Annex 3.
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures	
actually applied :	
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	w _{BM}
Data unit:	Fraction
Description:	Weight
Source of data used:	ACM0002
Value applied:	0.5
Justification of the	Default weighting value for Build Margin taken from ACM0002
choice of data or	
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures	
actually applied :	
Any comment:	

Data / Parameter:	EFy
Data unit:	tCO ₂ /MWh
Description:	Grid emission factor
Source of data used:	ELETROBRAS S.A., ANEEL and IPCC, 2006
Value applied:	0.7690
Justification of the	The Baseline Emission Factor calculation consists of the combination of
choice of data or	operating margin (OM) and build margin (BM) according to the procedures
description of	prescribed in the approved methodology ACM0002.
measurement methods	Detailed information is attached in Annex 3.
and procedures	
actually applied :	



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Any comment:	
Data / Parameter:	Area submerged
Data unit:	km ²
Description:	Surface area of the reservoir
Source of data used:	ANEEL Dispatch 709 issued on 15/07/2005
Value applied:	0.3
Justification of the	
choice of data or	
description of	
measurement methods	
and procedures	
actually applied :	
Any comment:	

B.6.3 Ex-ante calculation of emission reductions:

All equations used to estimate the emission reductions were provided in section B.6.1. The grid emission factor was calculated using equations 1 - 4, according to the description provided in the methodology. Project emissions, equation 5, baseline emissions, equation 6 and emissions reduction calculations, equation 7, were completed according to the methodology.

Detailed information of how the equations were used, and values applied are provided in Table 12.

Parameter	Formula	Value	Unit	
BM	provided in section B.6.1	0.8080	tCO ₂ /MWh	
wBM	-	0.5	-	
ОМ	provided in section B.6.1	0.7301	tCO ₂ /MWh	
wOM	-	0.5	-	
EF	provided in section B.6.1	0.7690	tCO ₂ /MWh	
Installed_capacity	-	30.00	MW	
EG	-	231,439	MWh	
Reservoir_area	-	3.4	km²	
Power density	= Installed_capacity/Reservoir_area	8.82	MW/km ²	
BE	= EG * EF	177,977	tCO ₂ e	
PE	= EF _{res} * EG / 1000	0	tCO ₂ e	
ER	= BE - PE	177,977	tCO ₂ e	

Table 12 - The ex-ante emission reductions values and calculations



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 Table 13 - BM calculation

Efficiency (output/input)	0.33
Efficiency (input/output)	3.03030303
Conversion(TJ/MWh)	0.0036
CEF(tCO2/TJ)	74.07
BM (tCO2/MWh)	0.8080

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

Table 14 - Ex-ante estimation

Years	Estimation of project activity emissions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	Estimation of baseline emissions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	Estimation of leakage (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	Estimation of emission reductions (tonnes of CO ₂ e)
2008 (April-Dec)	0	133,483	0	133,483
2009	0	177,977	0	177,977
2010	0	177,977	0	177,977
2011	0	177,977	0	177,977
2012	0	177,977	0	177,977
2013	0	177,977	0	177,977
2014	0	177,977	0	177,977
2015	0	177,977	0	177,977
2016	0	177,977	0	177,977
2017	0	177,977	0	177,977
2018 (Jan-March)	0	44,494	0	44,494
Total (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	0	1,779,770	0	1,779,770
Average	0	177,977	0	177,977

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

B.7.1. Data and parameters monitored:

Data / Parameter:	EG _v
Data unit:	MWh
Description:	Net electricity delivered to the grid
Source of data to be	Project developer and CELPA



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used:	
Value of data applied	231,439 MWh (Reference electricity generation from Basic Project)
for the purpose of	
calculating expected	
emission reductions in	
section B.5	
Description of	Data collected will be the continuous reading from the plant meters and the
measurement	monthly reading from the utility meter. The utility monthly reading is used for
methods and	issuing the electricity sale invoices (this document will show the amount of
procedures to be	energy supplied to the grid).
applied:	
QA/QC procedures to	According to national standards, equipment will be subject to a regular
be applied:	maintenance, calibration and testing regime to ensure accuracy. Collected data
	has low uncertainty levels and to guarantee its accuracy it will be cross
	checked with the electricity sales receipts obtained from the grid operator.
Any comment:	Data will be archived at least for two years after crediting period.
	has low uncertainty levels and to guarantee its accuracy it will be cross checked with the electricity sales receipts obtained from the grid operator.

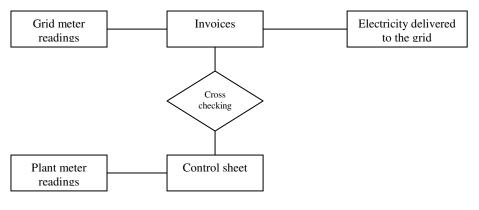
B.7.2 Description of the monitoring plan:

The monitoring of this type of project consists of metering the electricity generated by the renewable technology. Below you find the description of monitoring procedures for data measurement, quality assurance and quality control.

1. Monitoring organisation

The grid operator reads the meter in a monthly basis and this data will be used by the project developer to issue electricity sale invoices. Those invoices contain the amount of electricity delivered to the grid and will be used to calculate the amount of CERs generated from the project activity.

Power plant operators read, on an hourly basis, the gross electricity generated in order to control the plant operation. These readings are also used to check the consistency of the amount of electricity stated in the invoices read by the grid operator.



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The main electricity meter for establishing the electricity delivered to the grid will be installed at the grid end of the transmission line. This electricity meter will be the revenue meter to measure the quantity of electricity that the project will be paid for. As this meter provides the main data for CER measurement, it will be the key part of the verification process.

Data will also be measured continuously by the plant operator and at the end of each month the monitoring data will be filed electronically and a back-up will be made regularly. The project developer will keep the electricity sale invoices. Data will be archived electronically and on paper and will be kept for at least two years after the crediting period.

The electricity meter should meet relevant local standards at the time of installation. The meter will be installed by either the project developer or the grid company in accordance with Brazilian standards, established by INMETRO (*"Instituto Nacional de Metrologia, Normalização e Qualidade Industrial"*-entity responsible for calibration standards) and by ANEEL. Records of the meter (type, make, model and calibration documentation) will be retained in the quality control system.

Quality Control and Quality Assurance

Quality control and quality assurance procedures will guarantee the quality of data collected. The electricity meter(s) will undergo maintenance subject to industry standards. Moreover, meter(s) are calibrated by the distribution concessionaire CELPA - which signs a long term PPA with the plants - in accordance with national standards established by INMETRO (*"Instituto Nacional de Metrologia, Normalização e Qualidade Industrial"*- entity responsible for calibration standards) and recalibrated according to CELPA internal procedures or manufacturer specifications. Documents will be available during the verification.

To guarantee the consistency and accuracy of the data collected from the meter(s), data will be crosschecked with the sale invoices which will show the amount of electricity supplied to the grid.

Before the crediting period starts, the organisation of the monitoring team will be established and clear roles and responsibilities will be assigned to all staff involved in the CDM project.

Data will be read off the meter and energy sale invoices will be collected from the small hydro by the plant operation personnel. This information will be transferred to EcoSecurities on a monthly basis in order to monitor emission reductions.

The energy generating equipment will not be transferred from another activity; therefore, leakage effects do not need to be accounted.

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)

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The baseline study and the monitoring methodology were concluded on 27/08/2007. The entity determining the baseline study and the monitoring methodology and participating in the project as the Carbon Advisor is EcoSecurities Brasil Ltda.

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SECTION C. Duration of the project activity / crediting period

C.1 Duration of the project activity:

C.1.1. Starting date of the project activity:

01/08/2006

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

30 years

C.2 Choice of the <u>crediting period</u> and related information:

C.2.1. <u>Renewable crediting period</u>

C.2.1.1. Starting date of the first <u>crediting period</u>:

Not applicable

C.2.1.2. Length of the first <u>crediting period</u> :
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Not applicable

C.2.2. <u>Fixed crediting period</u>: C.2.2.1. Starting date:

The crediting period will start on 01/04/2008, or on the date of registration of the CDM project activity, whichever is later.

C.2.2.2.	Length:		
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10 years - 0 months

SECTION D. Environmental impacts

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



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The Project generates no emissions of greenhouse gases, produces no toxic waste, and has limited, controllable and reversible effects on the environment because the project is a small run-of-river hydropower plant which uses water directly from the river; it includes a small storage area designed only to allow the water to flow through the water intake to the turbine. The project can be easily integrated into the landscape and is compatible with the protection of water, fauna and flora.

As for a regulatory permit, the project developer has authorization, as issued by ANEEL (ANEEL Resolution n° 408, issued on 06/08/2002 and Resolution n° 636, issued on 22/10/2002), to operate as an independent power producer.

As for environmental permits, the project has the necessary environmental licenses. The license of installation was issued by the state environmental agency, SECRETARIA EXECUTIVA DE CIENCIA TECNOLOGIA E MEIO AMBIENTE, LI number 0179/2006 issued on 10/10/2006.

A Simplified Environmental Report (SER) was requested by the environmental agency; it was developed in order to identify and undertake ultimate environmental impacts due to the project activity. Regarding the SER, the project activity has no significant negative impacts to the environment, offering overall benefits to the local society; moreover, the SER analyzes the undertaking in environmental perspectives, identifying and assessing the possible environmental impacts and listing its mitigation actions.

Additionally, a Program for Recovering of Degraded Areas (PRDA) and a Monitoring Plan were developed with the purpose to analyse and address eventual negative impacts derived from the project activity. The impacts due to the project are not significant and mitigation will be taken.

All documents related to operational and environmental licensing are public and can be obtained from the state environmental agency.

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>:

There are no significant environmental impacts.

SECTION E. <u>Stakeholders'</u> comments

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

According to Resolution #1 dated December 2nd, 2003 from the Brazilian Inter-Ministerial Commission of Climate Change (Comissão Interministerial de Mudança Global do Clima -CIMGC), any CDM project must send a letter with a description of the project and an invitation for comments by local stakeholders. In this case, letters were sent to the following local stakeholders:

- City Hall of Novo Progresso;
- District Attorney (the Ministério Público, i.e. the permanent institution essential for legal functions responsible for defending the legal order, democracy and social/individual interests);
- Chamber of Deputy of Novo Progresso;
- SECRETARIA EXECUTIVA DE CIENCIA TECNOLOGIA E MEIO AMBIENTE;



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- Brazilian Fórum of NGOs
- Environmental Agency of Novo Progresso
- Local community associations

Local stakeholders were invited to raise their concerns and provide comments on the project activity for a period of 30 days after receiving the letter of invitation.

Although project proponents tried to find local community associations, none were found. Project proponents will justify this situation to the Brazilian DNA.

E.2. Summary of the comments received:

To date no formal comments have been received from stakeholders.

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

To date no formal comments have been received from stakeholders.



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Annex 2

INFORMATION REGARDING PUBLIC FUNDING

This project will not receive any public funding from Annex 1 parties.





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Annex 3

BASELINE INFORMATION

Table 15 - FA input parameters (R\$)

Investment	157.398.606,36	Reference: ANEEL Resolution 322 05
Subsidy	111.487.832,77	Reference: ANEEL Resolution 322 06
Net investments	45.910.773,59	-
Guaranteed electricity generation(MWh)	231439,2	Projeto Básico
O&M Costs (R\$/MWh)	77,15	Alternativas energéticas sustentáveis no Brasil /Mauricio Tiomno Tolmasquim, coordenador Rio de Janerio: Relume Dumará: COPPE: CENERGIA, 2004
Electricity Tariff (R\$/MWh)	119	Project PPA

Grid Emission Factor Calculation

Pará Isolated System is isolated from Brazilian interconnected systems S-SE-CO and N-NE. The grid is predominantly thermal thus the Simple OM method was selected.

All data used to calculate the Emission Factor are from the following sources:

- 1. Data obtained from ELETROBRAS: "Programa Mensal de Operação dos Sistemas Isolados" from January, 2004 to December, 2006
- 2. Data from IPCC, 2006

A summary of the calculation is provided below.





Table 16 - Data used to calculate EF

			Geração total Prevista	Previsão de Consumo de Óleo	Fuel Type	Previsão de Consumo de Óleo	Emissions
Year	Month	Plants (location)	MWh	m³		ton	tCO ₂
		Novo Progresso	2.245	650	Diesel	546	1710
	1	Castelo dos Sonhos	617	197	Diesel	165,48	518
		Novo Progresso	2.147	618	Diesel	519,12	1626
	2	Castelo dos Sonhos	587	185	Diesel	155,4	487
		Novo Progresso	2.245	647	Diesel	543,48	1702
	3	Castelo dos Sonhos	651	202	Diesel	169,68	531
		Novo Progresso	2.173	628	Diesel	527,52	1652
	4	Castelo dos Sonhos	593	181	Diesel	152,04	476
		Novo Progresso	2.245	646	Diesel	542,64	1700
4	5	Castelo dos Sonhos	684	210	Diesel	176,4	552
2004		Novo Progresso	2.173	625	Diesel	525	1644
5	6	Castelo dos Sonhos	636	197	Diesel	165,48	518
		Novo Progresso	2.245	649	Diesel	545,16	1707
	7	Castelo dos Sonhos	671	210	Diesel	176,4	552
		Novo Progresso	2.275	658	Diesel	552,72	1731
	8	Castelo dos Sonhos	755	236	Diesel	198,24	621
		Novo Progresso	2.173	620	Diesel	520,8	1631
	9	Castelo dos Sonhos	751	234	Diesel	196,56	616
		Novo Progresso	2.245	631	Diesel	530,04	1660
	10	Castelo dos Sonhos	818	253	Diesel	212,52	666
	11	Novo Progresso	2.173	618	Diesel	519,12	1626

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	1	Castelo dos					
		Sonhos	790	248	Diesel	208,32	652
		Novo Progresso	3.485	1004	Diesel	843,36	2641
		Castelo dos					
	12	Sonhos	796	249	Diesel	209,16	655
		Novo Progresso	2377	1215	Diesel	1020,6	3197
		Castelo dos					
	1	Sonhos	716	335	Diesel	281,4	881
		Novo Progresso	2147	635	Diesel	533,4	1671
		Castelo dos					
	2	Sonhos	632	185	Diesel	155,4	487
		Novo Progresso	2810	700	Diesel	588	1842
		Castelo dos					
	3	Sonhos	702	210	Diesel	176,4	552
		Novo Progresso	2507	750	Diesel	630	1973
	4	Castelo dos					
		Sonhos	644	130	Diesel	109,2	342
	5	Novo Progresso	2.723	600	Diesel	504	1579
		Castelo dos					
2J		Sonhos	745	34	Diesel	28,56	89
2005		Novo Progresso	2434	350	Diesel	294	921
Ñ		Castelo dos					
	6	Sonhos	609	20	Diesel	16,8	53
		Novo Progresso	2696	400	Diesel	336	1052
		Castelo dos					
	7	Sonhos	745	220	Diesel	184,8	579
		Novo Progresso	2471	492	Diesel	413,28	1294
		Castelo dos					
	8	Sonhos	772	230	Diesel	193,2	605
		Novo Progresso	2372	420	Diesel	352,8	1105
		Castelo dos					
	9	Sonhos	673	150	Diesel	126	395
		Novo Progresso	2245	650	Diesel	546	1710
		Castelo dos					
	10	Sonhos	542	80	Diesel	67,2	210
	11	Novo Progresso	2173	550	Diesel	462	1447







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	1	Castelo dos	I			I	
		Sonhos	570	120	Diesel	100,8	316
		Novo Progresso	2266	550	Diesel	462	1447
		Castelo dos					
	12	Sonhos	544	155	Diesel	130,2	408
		Novo Progresso	1524	445	Diesel	373,8	1171
		Castelo dos					
	1	Sonhos	450		Diesel	113,4	355
		Novo Progresso	1529	445	Diesel	373,8	1171
	2	Castelo dos Sonhos	401	120	Diesel	100,8	316
		Novo Progresso	1644	480		403,2	1263
		Castelo dos	1011	100	Biodol	100,2	1200
	3	Sonhos	433	130	Diesel	109,2	342
		Novo Progresso	1696	485		407,4	1276
		Castelo dos				,	
	4	Sonhos	467	140	Diesel	117,6	368
		Novo Progresso	1.759	510	Diesel	428,4	1342
		Castelo dos					
90	5	Sonhos	550	165		138,6	434
2006		Novo Progresso	1966	580	Diesel	487,2	1526
LN .		Castelo dos					
	6	Sonhos	500	150		126	395
		Novo Progresso	1932	570	Diesel	478,8	1500
	7	Castelo dos	450	105	Discol	110.4	055
	/	Sonhos	450	135		113,4	355
		Novo Progresso Castelo dos	1953	580	Diesel	487,2	1526
	8	Sonhos	533	160	Diesel	134,4	421
	- 0	Novo Progresso	2000	590		495,6	1552
		Castelo dos	2000	590	016961	433,0	1552
	9	Sonhos	567	170	Diesel	142,8	447
		Novo Progresso	2228	655	Diesel	550,2	1723
		Castelo dos					
	10	Sonhos	597	175	Diesel	147	460
	11	Novo Progresso	2334	750	Diesel	630	1973





	Castelo dos Sonhos	620	200	Diesel	168	526
	Novo Progresso	2146	630	Diesel	529,2	1657
	Castelo dos					
12	Sonhos	620	180	Diesel	151,2	474



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 Table 17 - EF calculation summary

	ЕF _{ом} (tCO₂/MWh)	Load (MWh)		
2006	0,7707	36.173		
2005	0,6508	37.115		
2004	0,7811	28.899		
	TOTAL	102.187		
	EF _{OM,SIMPLE} EF _{BM. 2005}	0,7301 0,8080	<mark>W</mark> ом W _{BM}	0.5 0.5
	EF _v (tCO2/MWh)	0,7690		



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Annex 4

MONITORING INFORMATION

Please refer to section B.7 above.



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Annex 5

The Brazilian electricity system is mainly composed of the Brazilian Interconnected System (SIN – Sistema Interligado Nacional); about 97% of the electricity generation capacity is included in the SIN. The SIN is an immense grid system, predominantly based on hydroelectric plants. It is comprised by plants located in the South, Southeast, Midwest, Northeast and part of the North Region. The remaining 3% of electricity generation capacity corresponds to small isolated grids, predominantly thermal, fuelled with fossil fuels.

The SIN is divided into two main systems, the S-SE-MW and the N-NE. The isolated systems are located in the Amazonian region; one example of an isolated system is the Rondonia-Acre Isolated System located in the north-western part of Brazil. Figure 1 illustrates the Brazilian electricity system.

For the purposes of the CDM, there are two grid emission factors for the SIN and one emission factor for each isolated system. Calculations are done according to the approved methodology ACM0002. Refer to Table 18 for applicable values for the SIN and Rondonia-Acre systems.

Table 18 - Grid emission factors			
Grid System	EF(tCO ₂ /MWh)		
N-NE	0.0767		
S-SE-MW	0.2611		
Rondonia-Acre	0.9525		

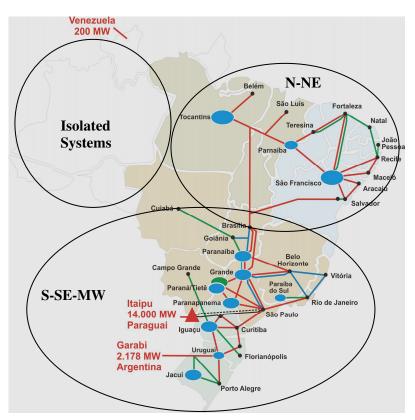


Figure 1 - Brazilian electric system



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