

**Joint Crediting Mechanism Approved Methodology PH\_AM002**  
**“Installation of Solar PV System”**

**A. Title of the methodology**

Installation of Solar PV System, Ver. 01.0

**B. Terms and definitions**

Terms	Definitions
Solar photovoltaic (PV) system	An electricity generation system which converts sunlight into electricity by the use of photovoltaic (PV) modules. The system also includes ancillary equipment such as inverters required to change the electrical current from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC).

**C. Summary of the methodology**

Items	Summary
<i>GHG emission reduction measures</i>	Displacement of grid electricity and/or captive electricity by installation and operation of solar PV system(s).
<i>Calculation of reference emissions</i>	Reference emissions are calculated on the basis of the AC output of the solar PV system(s) multiplied by the conservative emission factor.
<i>Calculation of project emissions</i>	Project emissions are the emissions from the solar PV system(s), which are assumed to be zero.
<i>Monitoring parameters</i>	The quantity of the electricity generated by the project solar PV system(s).

**D. Eligibility criteria**

This methodology is applicable to projects that satisfy all of the following criteria.

Criterion 1	The project installs solar PV system(s).
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Criterion 2	The PV modules are certified for design qualifications (IEC 61215, IEC 61646 or IEC 62108) and safety qualification (IEC 61730-1 and IEC 61730-2).
Criterion 3	The equipment used for monitoring output power of the solar PV system(s) and irradiance is installed at the project site

## E. Emission Sources and GHG types

Reference emissions	
Emission sources	GHG types
Consumption of grid electricity and/or captive electricity	CO <sub>2</sub>
Project emissions	
Emission sources	GHG types
Generation of electricity from the solar PV system(s)	N/A

## F. Establishment and calculation of reference emissions

### F.1. Establishment of reference emissions

The default emission factor is set in a conservative manner for the Philippines regional grids: Luzon-Visayas and Mindanao systems.

The emission factor is calculated based on the conservative operating margin that reflects on the latest electricity mix including low cost/must run (LCMR) resources for each regional grid in the Philippines during 2015-2017 and refers to the conservative emission factor of each fossil fuel power plant in order to secure net emission reductions.

The conservative emission factor of each plant is calculated to be 0.826 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh for coal-fired power plant and 0.326 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh for gas-fired power plant based on the survey on heat efficiency of power plant in the Philippines. The emission factor for diesel power plant is calculated to be 0.533 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh based on a default heat efficiency of 49%, an efficiency level which is above the value of the world's leading diesel power generators.

In case the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is directly connected to a regional grid or connected to a regional grid via an internal grid not connecting to a captive power

generator (Case 1), the value of operating margin including LCMR resources, using the best heat efficiency among currently operational plants in the Philippines in calculating emission factors of fossil fuel power plants, are applied. The emission factors to be applied are set as “Emission factor for Case 1(tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh)” in section I below.

In the case the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is connected to an internal grid connecting to both a regional grid and a captive power generator (Case 2), the lower value between emission factors of “Emission factor for Case 1 (tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh) shown in Section I below and the conservative emission factor of diesel-fired power plant of 0.533 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh is applied. The emission factors to be applied are set as “Emission factor for Case2 (tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh)” in section I below.

In the case that the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is only connected to an internal grid connecting to a captive power generator (Case 3), the emission factor of a diesel generator calculated by applying the most efficient heat efficiency of 49%, an efficiency level which is above the value of the world’s leading diesel generator is applied, which is set as 0.533 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh.

The emission factors for each case are shown in Section I.

## F.2. Calculation of reference emissions

$$RE_p = \sum_i (EG_{i,p} \times EF_{RE,i})$$

$RE_p$  : Reference emissions during the period  $p$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/p]

$EG_{i,p}$  : Quantity of electricity generated by the project solar PV system  $i$  during period  $p$  [MWh/p]

$EF_{RE,i}$  : Reference CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the project solar PV system  $i$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh]

## G. Calculation of project emissions

$$PE_p = 0$$

$PE_p$  : Project emissions during period  $p$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/p]

## H. Calculation of emissions reductions

$$ER_p = RE_p - PE_p$$

$$= RE_p$$

$ER_p$  : Emission reductions during period  $p$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/p]

$RE_p$  : Reference emissions during period  $p$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/p]

$PE_p$  : Project emissions during period  $p$  [tCO<sub>2</sub>/p]

## I. Data and parameters fixed *ex ante*

The source of each data and parameter fixed *ex ante* is listed as below.

Parameter	Description of data	Source						
$EF_{RE,i}$	<p>The reference CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the project solar PV system <math>i</math>.</p> <p>The value for <math>EF_{RE,i}</math> is selected from the emission factor based on the regional grid (<math>EF_{RE,grid}</math>) or based on a captive diesel power generator (<math>EF_{RE,cap}</math>) in the following manner:</p> <p>In case the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is connected to a regional grid including through internal grid which is not connected to a captive power generator (Case 1), <math>EF_{RE,grid}</math> is set as follows:</p> <p>Emission factor for Case 1 (tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh)</p> <table> <tr> <td>Regional grid name:</td> <td>Emission factor for Case 1:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Luzon-Visayas</td> <td>0.507 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mindanao</td> <td>0.468 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh</td> </tr> </table> <p>In case the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is connected to an internal grid connected to both a regional grid and a captive power generator (Case 2), <math>EF_{RE,grid}</math> is set as follows: :</p> <p>Emission factor for Case 2 (tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh)</p>	Regional grid name:	Emission factor for Case 1:	Luzon-Visayas	0.507 tCO <sub>2</sub> /MWh	Mindanao	0.468 tCO <sub>2</sub> /MWh	<p><u>Additional information</u></p> <p>The default emission factor is obtained from a study of electricity systems in the Philippines and the most efficient diesel power generator (a default value of 49% heat efficiency is above the value of the world's leading diesel generator).</p> <p>The default value is revised if deemed necessary by the JC.</p>
Regional grid name:	Emission factor for Case 1:							
Luzon-Visayas	0.507 tCO <sub>2</sub> /MWh							
Mindanao	0.468 tCO <sub>2</sub> /MWh							

	<p>Regional grid name:                      Emission factor for Case 1: Luzon-Visayas                              0.507 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh Mindanao                                      0.468 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh</p> <p>In case the solar PV system(s) in a proposed project activity is connected to an internal grid which is not connected to the regional grid, and only connected to a captive power generator (Case 3), EF<sub>RE,cap</sub>, 0.533 tCO<sub>2</sub>/MWh is applied.</p>	
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History of the document

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