Joint Crediting Mechanism Approved Methodology PW_AM001 "Displacement of Grid and Captive Genset Electricity by a Small-scale Solar PV System"

A. Title of the methodology

Displacement of Grid and Captive Genset Electricity by a Small-scale 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
GHG emission reduction	Displacement of grid electricity and/or captive electricity using
measures	diesel fuel as power source by installation and operation of the
	solar PV system(s)
Calculation of reference	Reference emissions are calculated on the basis of the AC
emissions	output of the solar PV system(s) multiplied by the conservative
	emission factor of the grid and captive electricity.
Calculation of project	Project emissions are the emissions from the solar PV system(s),
emissions	which are assumed to be zero.
Monitoring parameters	The quantity of the electricity generated by the project solar PV
	system

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).	
	The solar PV system is connected to the internal power grid of the project site	
Criterion 2	and/or to the grid for displacing grid electricity and/or captive electricity at the	
	project site.	
Criterion 3	The PV modules have obtained a certification of design qualifications (IEC	
	61215, IEC 61646 or IEC 62108) and safety qualification (IEC 61730-1 and IEC	
	61730-2).	
Criterion 4	The equipment to monitor output power of the solar PV system 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_2	
Project emissions		
Emission sources	GHG types	
Generation of electricity from solar PV system(s)	N/A	

F. Establishment and calculation of reference emissions

F.1. Establishment of reference emissions

Considering that Palauan grids are not connected to other grids and use diesel fuel as a power source, net emission reductions are ensured as follows.

It is assumed that solar PV systems installed in Palau will replace grid electricity and/or captive electricity generated by the existing diesel generators whose power generation efficiency is estimated to be around 33-41%, which leads to the CO_2 emission factor of 0.805-0.631 t CO_2 /MWh.

However, applying such emission factor derived from the existing diesel generators does not achieve net emission reductions. Therefore, the power generation efficiency of 49%, which has not been achieved yet by the world's leading diesel generators, is employed in this methodology to ensure net emission reductions. The emission factor of grid and captive electricity is set to

 0.533 tCO_2 /MWh based on the power generation efficiency of 49%.

F.2. Calculation of reference emissions

$$\begin{split} & \text{RE}_{\text{p}} = \sum_{i} \text{EG}_{i,\text{p}} \times \text{EF}_{\text{RE}} \\ & \text{RE}_{\text{p}} \quad : \text{Reference emissions during the period } p \text{ [tCO}_2/\text{p]} \\ & \text{EG}_{i,\text{p}} \quad : \text{The quantity of the electricity generated by the project solar PV system } i \text{ during the } \\ & \text{period } p \text{ [MWh/p]} \\ & \text{EF}_{\text{RE}} \quad : \text{The reference CO}_2 \text{ emission factor of grid and captive electricity [tCO}_2/\text{MWh}] \end{split}$$

G. Calculation of project emissions

 $PE_p = 0$

$$PE_p$$
 : Project emissions during the period p [tCO₂/p]

H. Calculation of emissions reductions

$$\begin{split} ER_{p} &= RE_{p} \quad \text{-} \quad PE_{p} \\ &= RE_{p} \end{split}$$

 ER_p : Emission reductions during the period p [tCO₂/p]

- RE_p : Reference emissions during the period p [tCO₂/p]
- PE_p : Project emissions during the period p [tCO₂/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}	The reference CO_2 emission factor of grid and	Additional information
	captive electricity, calculated based on the	The default emission factor is
	power generation efficiency of 49% using	derived from the result of the

diesel fuel as the power source.	survey on the new
The default value for EF_{RE} is set to be 0.533	high-efficient engines using
tCO ₂ /MWh.	diesel fuel as power source.
*The efficiency of the most efficient diesel	The default value should be
engine is close to but below 49%.	revised if necessary from
	survey result which is
	conducted by JC or project
	participants every three years.

History of the document

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01.0	20 February 2015	JC2, Annex 1 Initial approval.