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Re.: Inadequacy of local stakeholder consultation of CDM project 3197 (Bajo Aguan), dated 24 June 2011

Dear Ms. Filzmoser,

Thank you for your letter to the CDM Executive Board (hereinafter is referred to as the Board) dated 24 June 2011. On behalf of the Board, I wish to inform you that your letter was made available to the Board on the date of its submission and considered in full.

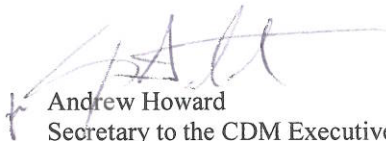
In your letter, you raised concern regarding inadequacy of local stakeholder consultation of CDM project 3197, titled "Aguan biogas recovery from Palm Oil Mill Effluent (POME) ponds and biogas utilization - Exportadora del Atlantico, Aguan/Honduras". The Board requested a review of the proposed project activity. On the basis of this review, the Board found that the project was adequately validated and in accordance with the CDM rules and procedure the Board agreed to register the project.

It may be worth mentioning here that no comments were received by the designated operational entity (DOE) during the global stakeholder commenting period (20 December 2007 - 18 January 2008)¹. Your comments on the inadequacy of local stakeholder consultation, if submitted to the DOE during the global stakeholder commenting period, must have been adequately addressed by the DOE in its validation report.

As you are aware, the Board triggered a review focusing on application of the requirements for consideration of stakeholders' inputs during the validation process. The Board, at its sixty-second meeting, considered an information note on the application of requirements for consideration of stakeholders' inputs during the validation process and agreed to launch a call for public inputs on this issue. The Board further requested the secretariat to prepare an analysis on how the validation by DOEs on the adequacy of the stakeholder consultation process has been done and propose options for improvements, taking into account the inputs received, for the consideration by the Board at a future meeting.

Thank you once again for contacting the Board with your concerns and requests.

Yours sincerely,


Andrew Howard
Secretary to the CDM Executive Board

¹ <https://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/Validation/DB/7QUUEWPIMXL1QRAT5NC2B1H7FVHSWS/view.html>