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Agenda item 9 (c) Methodological issues under the Kyoto Protocol Carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations as clean development mechanism project activities

Carbon dioxide capture and storage in geological formations as clean development mechanism project activities

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) noted that the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) by its decision 1/CMP.2, requested the Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) to continue to consider proposals for new methodologies, including project design documents for carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS) in geological formations as CDM project activities and that the approval of such methodologies for use for CDM project activities by the Executive Board can occur only after further guidance from the CMP.

2. The SBSTA noted that the CMP, by the same decision, requested intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations to provide information to the secretariat on their views on issues relevant to the consideration of CCS in geological formations as CDM project activities.¹ It also invited Parties to make submissions to the secretariat on the same issues, taking into account the submissions referred to above. The SBSTA was further requested to prepare recommendations on CCS in geological formations as CDM project activities for consideration by the CMP at its third session with a view to taking a decision at its fourth session (December 2008).

3. The SBSTA took note of and considered the submissions from Parties and accredited nongovernmental organizations² and agreed to request the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on these, highlighting the technical, methodological, legal and policy issues therein, for consideration at its twenty-eighth session (June 2008).

¹ Decision 1/CMP.2, paragraph 21.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2007/MISC.18, FCCC/SBSTA/2007/MISC.18/Add.1 and Add.2 and the submissions from non-governmental organizations available at http://unfccc.int/parties_and_observers/ngo/items/3689.php>.

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4. The SBSTA invited Parties, intergovernmental organizations and accredited non-governmental organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 16 June 2008, their views on, and including but not limited to, technological, methodological, legal, policy and financial issues additional to those referred to in paragraph 2 above, and in particular reflecting the informal discussions that took place during the twenty-seventh session of the SBSTA, highlighting the particular concerns of Parties.

5. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report based on the submissions referred to in paragraph 4 above. This synthesis report, along with the synthesis report referred to in paragraph 3 above, shall be considered by the SBSTA at its twenty-ninth session (December 2008).

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