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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) took note of the views submitted by Parties¹ and admitted observer organizations, and the views expressed by Parties during its thirty-sixth session, on the following issues referred to in decision 10/CMP.7, paragraph 4:

(a) The eligibility of carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS) project activities which involve the transport of carbon dioxide from one country to another or which involve geological storage sites that are located in more than one country;

(b) The establishment of a global reserve of certified emission reduction (CER) units for CCS project activities, in addition to the reserve referred to in decision 10/CMP.7, annex, paragraph 21(b).

2. The SBSTA agreed to continue its consideration of this matter at its thirty-seventh session.

3. The SBSTA invited Parties, intergovernmental organizations and admitted observer organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 13 August 2012, their views on the issues referred to in paragraph 1 above and requested the secretariat to compile the submissions into a miscellaneous document.

4. The SBSTA requested the secretariat to prepare a technical paper on the issue referred to in paragraph 1(a) above for its consideration at its thirty-seventh session. The paper should draw upon, inter alia, the *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, the 1996 Protocol to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter (known as the London Protocol), the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change *Special Report on Carbon Capture and*

¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2012/MISC.8 and Add.1 and 2.

Storage, scientific research, the submissions referred to in paragraphs 1 and 3 above and the annex to decision 10/CMP.7, and should address issues such as the following:

- (a) International law and frameworks relevant to CCS project activities which involve the transport of carbon dioxide from one country to another or which involve geological storage sites that are located in more than one country;
 - (b) Possible options for transboundary CCS project activities, and obligations arising therefrom, including the following:
 - (i) The assignment of liability, as defined in decision 10/CMP.7, annex, paragraph 1(j);
 - (ii) Options for sharing the obligation to address a net reversal of storage;
 - (iii) Environmental and socio-economic impacts and remedial measures to address them;
 - (iv) Monitoring requirements in the context of transboundary CCS project activities;
 - (c) Possible resolution mechanisms for any disputes, including with regard to liability, that may arise between host Parties.
5. The SBSTA took note of the estimated budgetary implications to prepare the technical paper referred to in paragraph 4 above, as provided by the secretariat.
6. The SBSTA requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
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