

Expanding Access to LPG in Haiti through microfinance services (GS 2564)

Local Stakeholder Consultation Report Feedback under GS Version 2.2

Information on the request

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Document(s) provided and reviewed (I round):

- LSC meeting Attendance List (GS2564_LSC_Attendance_List.pdf)
- PDD Micro-Scale (GS2564_PDD_PartA-D_2013_11_26.docx)

Document(s) provided and reviewed (Final round):

- Pictures invitation posters (GS2564_LSC_Public_Poster.pdfPDD Micro-Scale)
- Revised PDD Micro-Scale (Version 2, submitted 3/12/2014, GS2564_PDD_PartA-D_2014_03_12.doc)

Project summary

This program works as a social micro-franchise that distribute more efficient charcoal cookstoves, LPG cookstoves and solar lanterns.

PALMIS Enèji is developing its own distribution network with the objective of making those products easily available to all. A new microcredit financial product is also being developed with the support of ID Microfinance (a local microfinance institution and also a program of Entrepreneurs du Monde) to help people with limited financial means to have access to those products.

Finally, PALMIS Enèji is trying to increase the level of awareness in local populations about the described issues and the advantages of those products by creating communication tools tailored to the local context.

Project Size: Micro-Scale
Start date of construction: 01/01/2014
LSC Meeting Date: 22/10/2013

Review results and conclusions:

The GS has reviewed the submitted project and identified a number of areas where additional information is necessary for the project to be in line with the Gold Standard requirements.

SECTION A: Eligibility
Since other activities are also taking place in the host country, it is important that PP provides information regarding the identification and mitigation measures so as to prevent double-counting in case of another similar activity with some of the target area in common, or eligibility to join the project e.g. households already included in other projects may want to join the present project in order to receive a new stoves or more efficient than the one they receive from the other project or programme.
Response by Project Proponent (round 1)
Each stove distributed by the project has a unique identification number. The complete list of all the stove distributed by the project will be updated continuously and submitted to GS every year for verification. Each time a new stove is sold, the household will be asked if they already own a improved cookstove from another carbon project. If a household already own an improved cookstove from another carbon project and stop using it to switch to a LPG stove, then the owner of the project will be informed so that they can remove the household from their project database. The PDD has been updated accordingly.
Response by GS (round 2)
Comment/Request Closed.

SECTION C: Starting Date of the Project Activity
CME shall describe the foreseen date of construction, or the actual date in case the construction already started. Currently the PDD just describes the date 01/01/2014 (which is actually over). The PP shall also clearly state the start date of the project activity. The start date means the earliest date at which either the implementation or construction or real action of a project begins (further, the guidance provided in paragraph 67 of CDM EB 41 st meeting report is applicable).
Response by Project Proponent (round 1)
Palmis Eneji only resell LPG stove, they are not building the stove them self. So the start date is the date where the first stove included into this carbon project was sold to the end user. The first stove was sold on January 7 2014. To ease the VER calculation, if it is OK with Gold Standard, the crediting period starting date has been kept at 01/01/2014.
Response by GS (round 2)
Comment/Request Closed.

Annexes
PP shall submit to GS the scanned original participants list and feedback forms and the posters used to invite the local stakeholders.

Response by Project Proponent (round 1)
The scan of the original participant list and of the feedback forms as well as a picture of the posters have been uploaded to the registry.
Response by GS (round 2)
Comment/Request Closed.

Conclusion: The GS opinion is that the project activity can be listed after the above clarifications and corrective actions have been taken care of in a satisfactory way.