

## Improved Cook Stoves In Pastoral And Agro-Pastoral Communities In Southern Ethiopia (GS3422)

### *Local Stakeholder Consultation Report Feedback under GS Version 2.2*

#### Information on the request

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**Date of submission:** 29/07/2014  
**Date of GS feedback – I round:** 17/09/2014  
**Date of GS feedback – II round:** 30/10/2014

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

- Project PDD (version 1.0, dated 29/07/2014, uploaded on 29/07/2014)
- Other supporting documents (all uploaded on 29/07/2014)

#### Document (s) provided and reviewed (II round):

- Supporting documents (provided on 19/09/2014)

#### Project summary

The Project Activity involves distribution of fuel efficient cook stoves to families within Liben, Gorodola and Arero Woredas of Oromia Regional State and Filtu and Hudet Woredas of Somali Regional State in Southern Ethiopia. The goal of the project is to improve energy efficiency as well as the conditions of the local population. At the same, the project will reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emission by the reduced fuel use for cooking activities.

**Project Size:** micro-scale  
**Start date of construction:** 30/09/2014  
**LSC Meeting Date:** 21/06/2014 and 13/07/2014

### **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.

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| <b>SECTION A: Activity Description</b>  |
| As per the eligibility criteria laid down in Annex C of GS v2.2, ' <i>Projects involving small cooking devices shall present a clear description of the transfer of credits ownership all along the investment chain, and with the proof that end-users are aware of and willing to give up their rights on emission reductions. The transfer of credit ownership must be discussed during the local stakeholder consultation</i> '. Hence, the <b>PP</b> shall clarify if this was discussed during the consultation meetings or not. Also, evidences or documentary proof (for e.g. end user agreements, etc.) suggesting the transfer of credit ownership must be provided or uploaded on the GS registry. |
| <b>Response by Project Proponent (round 1)</b>  |
| The project resulting in GHG emission reductions together with the transfer of credits ownership were discussed during the both consultation meetings. As documentary proofs for the transfer of credits the written assertions (where COOPI states to claim the ownership of the future carbon credits) with the signatures from the stove producers are provided to GS. The end-users will be asked to sign a "Carbon Transfer Contract" at the moment they will receive the stove and, therefore, there are not yet available any signed contracts with the end-users. Anyhow, the drafts of the "Carbon Transfer Contract" forms (in Oromiffa and Somali language) are provided to GS.                    |
| <b>Response by GS (round 2)</b>   |
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| <b>Section C: Duration of the project activity and crediting period</b>  |
| The <b>PP</b> shall clearly state the start date of the project activity to support that the project activity is a regular/normal cycle project. The start date of the project 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 <sup>st</sup> meeting report is applicable). |
| <b>Response by Project Proponent (round 1)</b>   |
| The start date of the project activity is foreseen to be 30/09/2014. This is the date when the real action is foreseen to occur i.e. the first project stoves are to be delivered to the end-users.  |
| <b>Response by GS (round 2)</b>  |
| <b>The Comment/Request is closed.</b>  |

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| <b>Section D: Stakeholder's Comments</b>   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>PP</b> shall provide more supporting justification to demonstrate that the meeting location chosen was the most appropriate one considering the project boundary. Also, the <b>PP</b> shall discuss if all the relevant stakeholders were invited for the consultation meeting or not.</li> <li>The PDD suggests that the Stakeholder Feedback Round (SFR) is under progress. However, the <b>PP</b> shall note that the SFR can be initiated only once the project is 'Listed'. The <b>PP</b> should also intimate GS whenever SFR starts so that the relevant documents can be made publicly available on the registry.</li> </ol> |
| <b>Response by Project Proponent (round 1)</b>   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Meeting locations</b><br/>         The first meeting (21/06/2014) targeted mainly for the local authorities was chosen to be organized in Negele Borena as it's the biggest town in the project area and, moreover, the       </li> </ol>  |

only town where there are:

- transportation access from all the towns located in the nearby woredas
- bigger meeting hall and hotels and restaurants to accommodate the people invited
- 24 hours electricity service.

As evidenced by the participant list, along with the 108 participants there were participants from each of the five woredas and from both of the main ethnical groups (Oromo and Somali) indicating that the selected meeting place was functional.

The second consultation meeting (13/07/2014) targeted for the possible stove end-user was chosen to be held in a rural location, Mi'esa Kebele, where there is living together both Oromo and Somali clans representing thus the both main ethnic groups present in the project area. Moreover, Mi'esa Kebele is located in the area which is the main provider of the fuel wood for Negelle Borena town and neighboring kebeles considered thus to be in risk to face the challenges in possible degraded situations.

#### Invited stakeholders

All together almost 100 groups or persons were invited to the consultation meetings. The invited groups covered all the categories required by the GS guidelines. The personal invitations were send, for example, to the woreda-level authorities working directly with the objectives of the project (Energy, Cooperative and Health offices) as well as to ones with who the project will work during the stove distribution and awareness creation (Administration, Youth and Pastoral Development Offices). At kebele-level the invitations were send to authorities of the kebeles where the IGA beneficiaries (Income Generating Activity using solar panels) are located (25 kebeles) and to the IGA beneficiaries themselves. Almost all of these kebeles are centers to at least 5 neighboring kebeles, which will help to disseminate information to all of the neighboring communities. Moreover, public invitations in form of posters were made for reaching the attention of the local families presenting the both main ethnical groups (Oromi and Somali) living in the project area.

2. The PP is aware that the SFR can be started only ones the project is "Listed". GS will be noted when the SFR will start.

#### **Response by GS (round 2)**

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**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.**