

## **United Nations** Climate Change Secretariat

## **Nations Unies**

Secrétariat sur les changements climatiques

Ms. Rachel Child Project Developer Forum 100 New Bridge Street, London, EC4V 6JA United Kingdom Date:

4 June 2012

Reference:

2012-096-S

Direct line:

+49 228 815 1687

Sent by e-mail to: Rachel.child@pd-forum.net

Re.: Effective registration date/timeline for issuance

Dear Ms. Child,

Thank you for your letter received on 17 April 2012, which has been made available to the Chair of the Board.

On behalf of the Chair of the Board, I would like to inform you that the definition of *effective registration date* was revised to follow decision 3/CMP.6 paragraph 56 requesting the Executive Board to revise the procedures of registration to allow the effective date of registration, and therefore the possible start date of the crediting period of a clean development mechanism project activity, to be the date on which a complete request for registration was submitted by the designated operational entity (where the project activity has been registered automatically). The Executive Board does not have the authority to make further revisions to this definition.

I also would like to inform you that following decision 8/CMP7, the secretariat has taken measures to ensure that the average waiting time between the receipt of submissions for registration and issuance and the commencement of completeness check is less than 15 calendar days. The secretariat is continuing to take the necessary measures to comply with this request from Parties and the Board does not have plans to further revise the timelines in the project cycle in 2012.

I hope this letter suitably addresses the questions raised in your letter.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Howard

Secretary to the CDM Executive Board