Methodology for the Quantification, Monitoring, Reporting and Verification of Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions and Removals from Capturing and Destroying Methane from Coal and Trona Mines in North America (v.1.0)

Errata &Clarification

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This is a supplemental document to the ACR Methodology for the Quantification, Monitoring, Reporting and Verification of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions and Removals from Capturing and Destroying Methane from Coal and Trona Mines in North America (v.1.0) (“the Methodology”). It is intended that topics in this document will be incorporated into the updated ACR Methodology v 2.0. As supplemental information or clarifications are needed on future versions of this methodology, updates may be found in this document.

1. Clarification (November 18, 2021): Eligibility Criterion

Section 2.2 (II) states, “In order to be considered a qualifying device for the purpose of this methodology, a methane destruction device for an active underground mine methane drainage activity must not have been operational at the mine prior to the project start date unless it was used in a past project located at the mine and was a qualifying device in that project.”

In considering whether pipeline injection is a qualifying device, ACR defines an injection having “been operational” if pipeline injection has already occurred at the mine prior to the start date of a new MMC project and defines “mine” as an underground mine site with a unique Mine Safety and Health Agency (MSHA) identification number.

Put another way, to be eligible for crediting under this methodology, a new MMC project at an active underground mine with drainage activity may not consider pipeline injection to be a qualifying destruction device if a gas pipeline was injected with mine methane extracted from any drainage activity from that same mine where the new MMC project were to occur.

2. Clarification (November 18, 2021): Eligibility Criterion

Section 2.2 (IV) states, “If a newly drilled well/borehole is connected to an existing or new qualifying destruction device after the project start date, the Project Proponent may either classify it as an offset project expansion or a new MMC project.”

For this eligibility criterion, a newly drilled well/borehole at an active underground mine with drainage activity whose extracted mine methane is injected into a natural gas pipeline may be considered a new MMC project if pipeline injection is considered a qualifying device.