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IPCC Statement on Preparation of 2006 IPCC Inventory Guidelines

At the 19th Session of SBSTA, I had a pleasure of making a statement on this matter, in which I talked of the IPCC Panel 21 approval of the Terms of Reference, Table of Content and the Work Programme for the revision of the Revised 1996 IPCC Inventory Guidelines – in response to the SBSTA 17's invitation to IPCC. Since then, the IPCC has completed the selection of authors for this work, and more than 230 international experts are now engaged in this very challenging work.

This year, IPCC has so far convened two meetings of authors, one on cross-cutting questions, and another on Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use. Three more sectoral authors meetings are planned in 2004, and in 2005, there will be three authors meetings and two IPCC review processes, one review by experts, and another review by Governments and experts. We expect the final 2006 Guidelines will be accepted by IPCC Panel in early 2006, and will be provided to SBSTA thereafter.

Let me briefly talk of the specificity of our undertaking:

Firstly, the basis for the "2006 IPCC Guidelines" will be the existing 1996 IPCC Guidelines and the two IPCC good practice guidance reports. Experience and feedback in using the existing reports and from the UNFCCC inventory reviews, as well as advances in science will be taken into account in the preparation. UNFCCC documents, starting with SBSTA/2003/Inf.10 (also 2004/Inf. 2, 3, 4 and 7. Inf 5 is also some relevance for us), will be carefully studied by authors, and will be taken into account appropriately. The IPCC's two new Special Reports, i.e., "Safeguarding the ozone layer and the global climate system: issues related to hydrofluorocarbons and perfluorocarbons" and "Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage" will also serve as inputs to the "2006 IPCC Guidelines".

As you may recall the Revised 1996 Guidelines had three volumes – the Reporting Instructions, the Workbook and the Reference Manual. In the "2006 IPCC Guidelines", however, each sector – Energy; Industrial Processes and Product Use; Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use; and Waste; as well as the Cross-Cutting Issues and Reporting Tables would be each synthesised into single volume. The "Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use" sector would encompass the Agriculture and Land-Use Change and Forestry sectors of the 1996 Guidelines, with a structure consistent with the IPCC Good Practice Guidance on Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry.

New sources and gases will be included in "2006 IPCC Guidelines" according to criteria laid out in the Terms of Reference for the work: namely, availability of a Global Warming Potential, identified anthropogenic sources, existing basis for methodology development, ability to develop default emission factors, etc. Likewise, New Sources will be included if the following criteria are true: Basis exists for methodological development including the ability to develop default emission factors; It is feasible to obtain the necessary data to implement the method; and the source is significant within the sector

Additional information on the scope and workplan for the preparation of the "2006 IPCC Guidelines" will be given at the IPCC NGGIP side-event on Thursday, 17^{th} June at 1 - 3 pm.

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