

Guidance to Agenda point 3: Case Study – group work and discussions (ca 12:30 – 15:00)

The objective is to discuss some of issues associated with EU ETS verification. It is based on a previous AVR training event hosted and held by the European Commission and is intended for representatives from Competent Authorities (CAs) of the Member States (MS), representatives from National Accreditations Bodies (NABs) and verifiers.

Representatives from both Norwegian Accreditation (NAB) and the Norwegian Environment Agency (CA) will contribute with their experiences from the training event that covered this exercise and its outcome in terms of model (consensus) answers.

The verification issues will be explored and explained on the basis of a case study (scenario) and a set of questions related to the scenario. The base case is a Power Plant and is outlined in Scenario 1. We will not discuss this first scenario in particular. Its details are however provided, because in Scenario 2, this Power Plant (scenario 1) is part of a larger complex, which includes a large refinery. We will use scenario 2 as a basis for our discussions.

Both scenarios and related questions have been developed to cover a range of interrelated verification issues and are taken from the 2016 AVR training event organized by EC.

The idea is to allow for the exchange of views and discussions between all participants on the subjects covered.

You are invited to address the verification questions and issues listed for scenario 2. It is desirable that, before the meeting, you study the given scenario 2 very carefully and consider in detail the questions formulated on pages 6 and 7. For each question, you should ask yourselves “does the verifier have the information needed to answer the question, should the verifier ask the operator for additional information, or should the verifier do additional tests to ensure that it is able to address the issue.”

The information provided for the scenario should be sufficient to allow you to answer the questions. If however you are convinced that in the scenario not sufficient information is provided to allow <in your opinion> the verifier to address the question at hand, you are most welcome to point this out.

Please be informed that the provided Scenario document is an excerpt from an existing training manual, and does indeed start on page 2 and ends at page 7.