DNV Climate Change Services AS (DNV) has performed the verification of the project activities that have been reported for the “The Mai Ndome REDD Project” relative to the Climate, Community and Biodiversity Project Design Standards Second Edition, December, 2008 (CCB Standard) for the period 14 March, 2011 to 31 October, 2012.

The Mai Ndome REDD project area is located in the central part of the Congo River basin of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Administratively, it is located in the province of Bandundu, District of Lake Mai Ndome, and the territory of Inongo. The project participants are responsible for the collection of data in accordance with the monitoring plan and the reporting of climate, community and biodiversity benefits. It is DNV’s responsibility to express an independent verification statement on the reported climate, community, and biodiversity benefits from the project.

DNV conducted the verification on the basis of the monitoring methodology VM0009 (Version 2), THE CCBA Project Document dated 31 October, 2012, the CCB monitoring plan dated 22 October, 2012, and the Project Implementation Report dated 22 October, 2012. The verification included: a) checking whether the provisions of the monitoring methodology and the monitoring plan were consistently and appropriately applied, b) collecting evidence supporting the reported data, and c) an assessment of whether the project activities that affected the community and biodiversity were having positive benefits.

DNV planned and performed the verification by obtaining evidence and other information and explanations that DNV considers necessary to give reasonable assurance that reported GHG emission reductions are fairly stated and that the project activities are benefiting the various stakeholders, community and biodiversity of the project zone.

The project proponents are Wildlife Works Carbon LLC and Ecosystem Restoration Associates Inc. DNV has confirmed that the project proponents have the rights to all and any reductions generated by the Project during the period 14 March, 2011 – 31 October, 2012.

The main project activity is to leverage carbon finance to avoid mosaic conversion of tropical forests and therefore reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Through a combination of forest protection and sustainable development activities, this project is estimated to avoid the emission of 175.8 million metric tonnes of CO2e over the project lifetime that would have resulted from deforestation of the project area over the next thirty years, as well as provide considerable biodiversity conservation and socio-economic benefits to local communities living within and around the project area.

DNV is able to certify with a reasonable level of assurance that the emission reductions from the “The Mai Ndome REDD Project” during the period 14 March, 2011 to 31 October, 2012 amount to 2,548,715 tonnes CO2 equivalent after a 25% buffer pool deduction amounting to 849,572 tonnes CO2 equivalent and has accomplished the climate, community, and biodiversity benefits for this verification period through its project activities.
In summary, it is DNV’s opinion that the “Mai Ddombe REDD Project” as described in the CCBA Project Implementation Report dated 31 October 2012 meets all relevant CCBA requirements, at the Gold level for Climate Change Adaptation and Exceptional Biodiversity Benefits.

Signature of director

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