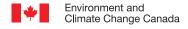
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Foreword

Canada's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Offset Credit System is established under Part 2 of the *Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act* (GGPPA) to encourage cost-effective domestic GHG emission reductions from activities that are not covered by carbon pollution pricing and that go beyond legal requirements.

Canada's GHG Offset Credit System consists of:

- regulations to implement the operational aspects of the system;
- a tracking system to register offset projects, issue and track offset credits, and share key information through a public registry; and
- federal offset protocols that establish the approach for quantifying GHG emission reductions for a given project type.

Only project activities following an approved federal offset protocol and meeting all requirements outlined in the *Canadian Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System Regulations* can generate offset credits in Canada's GHG Offset Credit System.

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1.0 Introduction

Methane (CH₄) emissions from landfills are generated by the anaerobic decomposition of organic material in the buried waste. The installation of a landfill gas (LFG) recovery and destruction system enables the landfill CH₄ to be converted into biogenic carbon dioxide, instead of allowing it to be passively released to the atmosphere.

The Landfill Methane Recovery and Destruction protocol is intended for use by a proponent undertaking a project to actively recover and destroy LFG to generate offset credits under the Canadian Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System Regulations.¹

The proponent must follow the methodology and requirements set out in this protocol to quantify and report greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions generated by the eligible project activities. This protocol is designed to ensure the project generates GHG emission reductions that are real, additional, quantified, verified, unique and permanent. The protocol is also developed in accordance with the principles of ISO 14064-2:2019 *Greenhouse gases – Part 2 – Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification, monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emission reductions or removal enhancements* to ensure reported GHG emission reductions generated as a result of implementing the project activities are relevant, complete, consistent, accurate, transparent, and conservative.

GHG emission reductions generated by a project under this protocol can only result from avoided CH₄ emissions achieved through the active recovery of LFG from within the project site and its destruction in an eligible destruction device, which can include open and enclosed flares, boilers, turbines, internal combustion engines, stations for the direct injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network, or stations for the compression or liquefaction of upgraded LFG prior to its transport and injection into a natural gas network.

Projects that use the recovered LFG to generate energy or heat may reduce their GHG emissions from fuel combustion. While this activity is encouraged, GHG emission reductions from fossil fuel displacement (i.e. fuel switching) are not included in the quantification of GHG emission reductions under this protocol. Proponents may be able to generate credits for this activity under other crediting mechanisms.² However, proponents are responsible for ensuring that any GHG emission reductions credited under Canada's GHG Offset Credit System are unique and not credited by another GHG emission reduction mechanism.

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¹ The Canadian Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System Regulations are available online at: <u>Canada's Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System - Canada.ca</u>

² This includes the proposed Clean Fuel Regulation.

2.0 Terms and definitions

Act

means the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (GGPPA).3

active recovery

means the recovery of LFG by a system, which includes gas collection wells, connective piping, blowers, and other technologies, creating a pressure gradient to actively extract LFG. This does not include passive venting.

biogenic carbon dioxide (CO₂)

means CO₂ emissions resulting from the decomposition or destruction of organic material, including those produced from the destruction of landfill CH₄; they are considered to be a natural part of the carbon cycle.

destruction

means the combustion of LFG and the resulting conversion of landfill CH₄ into biogenic CO₂.

eligible destruction device

means a device, listed in Table 1, that can destroy landfill CH₄ and generate offset credits.

end user facility

means a facility adjacent to the landfill site where landfill CH₄ is destroyed in an eligible destruction device operated by an end user.

Global Warming Potential (GWP)

means a metric representing a greenhouse gas' ability to trap heat in the atmosphere compared to CO₂, as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act.

landfill

means an identifiable area of public or private land where waste is or has been intentionally placed above or below ground for permanent disposal.

landfill cell

means a unique and discrete section of a landfill designed and constructed to contain a volume of waste.

landfill site

means an identifiable area of public or private land where a landfill and all supporting buildings and infrastructure are located.

landfill gas (LFG)

means a mixture of gases resulting from the decomposition of organic material disposed of in a landfill comprised primarily of CH₄, biogenic CO₂, and other compounds in low concentrations.

³ Available online on the Justice Laws Website.

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landfill methane (landfill CH₄)

means the CH₄ portion of LFG, generated by the anaerobic decomposition of organic material disposed of in a landfill.

project site

means the area of the landfill site from which LFG is actively recovered and the area where it is destroyed in the eligible destruction device(s) that may include portions of an end user facility, if applicable.

Regulations

means the Canadian Greenhouse Gas Offset Credit System Regulations.

3.0 Baseline scenario

3.1 Baseline condition

The following baseline condition must apply in the baseline scenario in order for the project to be eligible under this protocol:⁴

 Within the project site, LFG has never been actively recovered or subsequently destroyed in any manner prior to the project start date.

4.0 Project scenario

4.1 Project condition

The following project condition must apply in the project scenario in order for the project to be eligible under this protocol:⁵

• Within the project site, LFG is actively recovered from one or more landfill cells and is destroyed in one or more eligible destruction devices listed in Table 1.

4.2 Eligible project activities and equipment

Eligible project activities include the following:

- Installation and operation of a new active LFG recovery system in one or more landfill cells within the project site that contained no pre-existing active LFG recovery system.
- Treatment, purification and/or upgrading of LFG actively recovered from within the project site.
- Operation of eligible destruction device(s) for the destruction of LFG actively recovered from within the project site
 - Only the destruction devices listed in Table 1 below are considered eligible under this protocol.
 - The project must use a minimum of one eligible destruction device.
 - Eligible destruction devices can be installed for the purposes of the project, or be preexisting and operating prior to the project start date if used for another purpose.
 - Flares (open and enclosed) must be located within the landfill site.
 - Eligible destruction devices (other than a flare) may be located at an end user facility, provided agreements between the proponent and the end user of the LFG (e.g. an industrial facility purchasing the LFG from the proponent), are established to ensure the GHG emission reductions generated by the project are not claimed by the end user.

⁴ The baseline scenario consists of the relevant SSRs referred to in Section 7.0 Project GHG Boundary.

⁵ The project scenario consists of the relevant SSRs referred to in Section 7.0 Project GHG Boundary.

Table 1: Eligible destruction devices

| Туре | Description |
|---|---|
| Open flare | A device with a pilot flame at the top of a vertical stack that is exposed to atmosphere that combusts and destroys a gas. |
| Enclosed flare | A device with an insulated cylinder stack surrounding a burner manifold and combustion/cooling air louvers that combusts and destroys a gas. |
| Boiler | A device that combusts a fuel in order to heat a fluid, such as water or leachate, generating vapour that provides thermal energy for various purposes. |
| Turbine (micro or large) | A device that compresses air to combust with a fuel in order to produce expanding gas that turns turbine blades, generating mechanical energy that can be harnessed by a load (e.g. a generator producing electricity). |
| Internal combustion engine (stationary or mobile) | A device that compresses and combusts an air-fuel mixture in a cylinder in order to produce expanding gas that moves a piston and crankshaft, generating rotary mechanical energy that can be harnessed by a load (e.g. a generator producing electricity). |
| Station for direct injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network ⁶ | A device that monitors and prepares upgraded LFG for injection into a natural gas network; this can include odourizing the gas, metering the flow, regulating the pressure, and monitoring the chemical composition prior to injection. |
| Station for compression or liquefaction of upgraded LFG prior to transport and injection into a natural gas network | A device that compresses or liquefies upgraded LFG for transport to a station for its injection into a natural gas network (see above). |

⁶ Upgraded LFG injected into a natural gas network is considered to be destroyed once it is delivered to a station for direct injection or a station for compression or liquefaction.

5.0 Additionality

5.1 Legal additionality

GHG emission reductions generated by the project must not occur as a result of federal, provincial or territorial regulations, municipal by-laws, or any other legally binding mandates such as operating permits. This includes legal requirements to recover and destroy all or a portion of LFG from the landfill to reduce GHG emissions from the landfill or control of the release of LFG for reasons such as safety precautions (to reduce potential for an explosion) or odour control.

A project at a landfill site with a legal requirement to recover and destroy any portion of its LFG is not considered to be additional, and therefore is not eligible for registration.

If at any time after project registration the GHG emission reductions generated by the project are required by law or the result of a legal requirement, the GHG emission reductions can only be quantified and offset credits can only be issued up to the date immediately preceding the date on which the law or the legal requirement comes into force.

5.2 Provincial or Federal pricing mechanisms for GHG emissions

Any emission sources that are included in an industrial facility's GHG emissions reported under a federal, provincial or territorial pricing mechanism for GHG emissions are not eligible for offset credits. This includes on-site landfills at covered facilities under the federal Output-Based Pricing System.

6.0 General requirements

6.1 Project start date

The start date of a project corresponds to the first day that LFG actively recovered from within the project site is destroyed in an eligible destruction device. In the case of the injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network, the LFG is considered to be destroyed once it is delivered to a station for direct injection or a station for compression or liquefaction.

6.2 Crediting period

A project implemented under this protocol has a crediting period as specified in the Regulations.

6.3 Crediting period renewal

A project implemented under this protocol is eligible for crediting period renewal as specified in the Regulations.

6.4 Aggregation

There are no additional provisions regarding aggregation for this project type, beyond what is specified in the Regulations.

6.5 Project location and geographic boundaries

The proponent must document and report the location and geographic boundaries of the project site and submit a site plan. The site plan must show where the project site is situated with respect to the landfill site, relevant landfill cell(s) and any end user facilities. The site plan must also show the location and arrangement of all the project components associated with LFG recovery and destruction, including the active recovery system within the project site; treatment, purification and upgrading equipment; eligible destruction devices; measuring devices; and any other equipment associated with the GHG sources, sinks and reservoirs (SSRs) within the project GHG boundary (Section 7.0).

The geographic boundary of the project site cannot change after the first reporting period, but project activities can expand within the boundary. Any changes to the site plan must be communicated as specified in the Regulations.

6.6 Environmental and other safeguards

The proponent must ensure that the project activities comply with any operating permits, municipal bylaws or regulations applicable to the landfill site, including those related to minimizing noise and odour, and ensuring the safe operation of all systems within the project site.

7.0 Project GHG boundary

The project GHG boundary (Figure 1) contains the eligible project activities and the GHG SSRs that must be assessed by the proponent in order to determine the GHG emission reductions generated by the project activities relative to the baseline scenario.

Table 2 provides additional details on the SSRs identified for the baseline and project scenarios, as well as justification for their inclusion or exclusion in the quantification of GHG emission reductions. The proponent must quantify and report on each of the "included" SSRs that are relevant to the specific activities taking place in the baseline and project scenarios.

Three GHGs are relevant to the SSRs in this protocol: Carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O). CO₂ emissions from the decomposition of organic material and destruction of landfill CH₄ are considered biogenic and are excluded from the quantification of GHG emissions in this protocol.

Figure 1: Illustration of the project GHG boundary

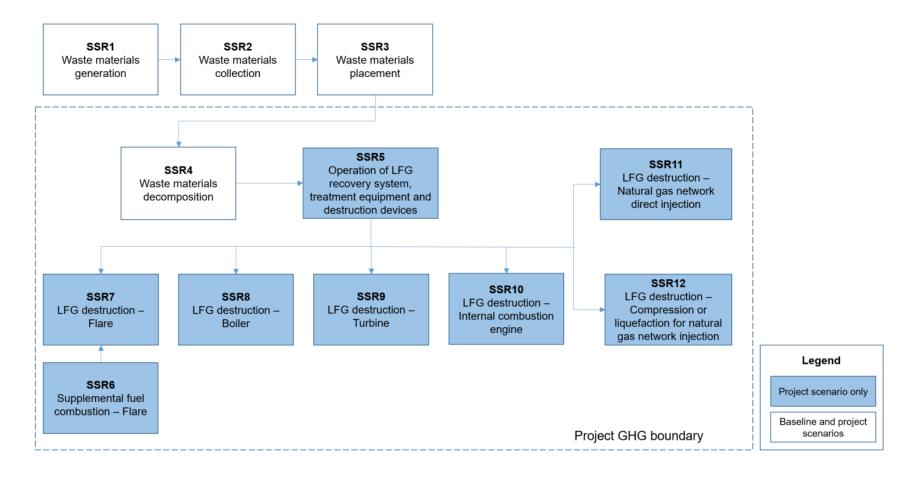


Table 2: Details on baseline and project scenario SSRs

| SSR | Title | Description | Туре | Baseline or project scenario | GHG ⁷ | Included or excluded |
|-----|-------------------------------|---|------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| 1 | Waste materials generation | Generation of waste materials before their collection and placement into the landfill. | Related | Baseline (B1) Project (P1) | CO ₂ CH ₄ N ₂ O | Excluded: GHG emissions from this source are assumed to be the same in both the baseline and project scenarios. |
| 2 | Waste materials collection | Combustion of fossil fuels for vehicles used to collect waste materials and transport them to the landfill site. | Related | Baseline (B2) Project (P2) | CO ₂ CH ₄ N ₂ O | Excluded: GHG emissions from this source are assumed to be the same in both the baseline and project scenarios. |
| 3 | Waste materials placement | Combustion of fossil fuels to operate equipment for the handling and placement of waste materials into the landfill/landfill cell(s). | Related | Baseline (B3) Project (P3) | CO ₂ CH ₄ N ₂ O | Excluded: GHG emissions from this source are assumed to be the same in both the baseline and project scenarios. |
| 4 | Waste materials decomposition | Generation of LFG from the anaerobic decomposition of waste materials in the landfill/landfill cell(s). | Controlled | Baseline (B4) | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified based on landfill CH ₄ actively recovered in the project scenario, using Equation 2. Excluded: N ₂ O emissions from anaerobic decomposition are not significant. ⁸ |

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⁷ Biogenic CO₂ emissions from SSR 4, SSR 7, SSR 8, SSR 9, SSR 10, SSR 11 and SSR 12 are not quantified. This is consistent with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (*IPCC*). 2001. Good Practise Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Chapter 5 (Waste). Available online.

⁸ The IPCC does not provide a methodology to quantify N₂O emissions from landfills as this emission source is not significant. This is consistent with *IPCC*. 2006. Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Volume 5: Waste, Chapter 3: Solid Waste Disposal. IPCC National Greenhouse Gas Inventories Programme. Available online.

| SSR | Title | Description | Туре | Baseline or project scenario | GHG ⁷ | Included or excluded |
|-----|--|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| | | | | Project (P4) | CH4 | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ following the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s), using Equation 9. |
| | | | | | N ₂ O | Excluded: N ₂ O emissions from anaerobic decomposition are not significant. |
| | Operation of LFG recovery | Combustion of fossil fuels or consumption of grid | Fossil Fuels: | | CO ₂ | |
| 5 | system, treatment equipment and | system, treatment equipment and destruction electricity for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment | Controlled Electricity: Related | Project (P5) | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified using Equation 6 and Equation 7. |
| | devices | | | | N₂O | |
| | Supplemental | Combustion of supplemental fossil | | | CO ₂ | Included: Quantified |
| 6 | fuel combustion – Flare | uel combustion Tuel to support the Co | Controlled | Project (P6) | CH ₄ | based on combustion of supplemental fossil fuel in a flare, using Equation 8. |
| | | flare. | | | N ₂ O | a liale, using Equation 6. |
| 7 | LFG destruction – Flare Destruction of LFG in an open or enclosed flare, as identified in Table 1. | in an open or | Controlled | Project | CH₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH4 and N2O from |
| | | identified in Table | | (P7) | N ₂ O | the destruction of LFG in a flare, using Equation 10. |

⁹ This SSR captures emissions from operating project components such as blowers; equipment for LFG treatment and purification; destruction devices (other than a flare); equipment for the conveyance of LFG to an end user facility; equipment for the upgrading, compression or liquefaction, and injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network.

| SSR | Title | Description | Туре | Baseline or project scenario | GHG ⁷ | Included or excluded | |
|-----|---|--|------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| 8 | LFG destruction – Boiler | Destruction of LFG in a boiler, as identified in Table 1. | Controlled | Project (P8) | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ and N ₂ O from the destruction of LFG in a | |
| | | 1. | | | N₂O | boiler, using Equation 10. | |
| 9 | LFG destruction – Turbine | Destruction of LFG in a turbine, as identified in Table | Controlled | Project | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ and N ₂ O from | |
| | - ruibille | 1. | | (P9) | N ₂ O | the destruction of LFG in a turbine, using Equation 10. | |
| 10 | LFG destruction – Internal combustion engine | ernal combustion engine, as identified in | Controlled | Project (P10) | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ and N ₂ O from | |
| | | | | | N ₂ O | the destruction of LFG in an internal combustion engine, using Equation 10. | |
| 11 | LFG destruction - Natural gas upgraded LFG after its direct injection into a natural gas. | Destruction of upgraded LFG after its direct injection into a natural gas | | Project | CH ₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ and N ₂ O from the destruction of LFG | |
| | network direct injection | network, as identified in Table 1. | | (P11) | N ₂ O | after its direct injection into a natural gas network, using Equation 10. | |
| 12 | LFG destruction - Compression or liquefaction | Destruction of upgraded LFG after its compression or liquefaction, transport and | Related | Project | CH₄ | Included: Quantified based on undestroyed landfill CH ₄ and N ₂ O from the destruction of LFG after its compression or | |
| | for natural gas network injection | injection into a natural gas network, as identified in Table 1. | | (P12) | N ₂ O | liquefaction, transport and injection into a natural gas network, using Equation 10. | |

8.0 Quantification methodology

This section contains the quantification methodology that must be followed to calculate baseline and project scenario GHG emissions, which are subsequently used to calculate the GHG emission reductions generated by the project.

Raw data must be converted to align with the units presented in the quantification methodology, if necessary (see Section 8.5 for a tabulated summary). Schedule A provides the reference condition values that must be applied to complete the quantification. Emission factors that must be used are provided in the *Emission Factors and Reference Values* document and may also need to be converted to align with the units presented in the quantification methodology. The proponent must ensure they are using the most current version of the *Emission Factors and Reference Values* document.

Baseline scenario GHG emissions are the GHG emissions that would have occurred in the absence of the project, quantified based on SSRs within the project GHG boundary. Project scenario GHG emissions are the actual GHG emissions that occur from SSRs within the project GHG boundary.

The GHG emission reductions generated by the project are quantified by deducting the project scenario GHG emissions from the baseline scenario GHG emissions as outlined in Section 8.4.

Both baseline and project scenario GHG emission calculations must include all the GHG emissions that occurred during the reporting period, and must include sub-totals in tonnes of CO₂ equivalent (t CO₂e) for each full or partial calendar year to support serialization of the resulting offset credits by calendar year.

8.1 Baseline scenario quantification

The proponent must follow the below quantification methodology to quantify the baseline scenario GHG emissions for each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period, based on the included SSRs outlined in Table 2.

This protocol quantifies the baseline scenario GHG emissions through the use of a dynamic baseline approach based on measurements made in the project scenario instead of modelling the GHG emissions generated by the landfill in the baseline scenario. This means that the baseline scenario GHG emissions are calculated based on the quantity of landfill CH₄ that is actively recovered in the project scenario, which may vary over time.

Equation 1: Baseline scenario GHG emissions

| | | $BE = CH_4REC_{PR} \times (1 - OX)$ | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|
| Where, BE | = | Baseline scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year | Units t CO₂e |
| CH ₄ REC _{PR} | = | covered by the reporting period Quantity of landfill CH ₄ recovered by the active LFG recovery system during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, | t CO₂e |
| | | as per Equation 2 (SSR B4) | |

OX = Factor for the oxidation of landfill CH₄ by bacteria in soil or - materials covering the waste

Baseline scenario GHG emissions are quantified based on the presumption that the landfill CH₄ actively recovered in the project scenario would have been passively released to the atmosphere in the baseline scenario. Oxidation of landfill CH₄ emissions must be accounted for in the baseline scenario. If a non-geomembrane cover system or other CH₄ oxidation technology is present, it can be presumed that the landfill CH₄ would have been subject to oxidation by bacteria in the soil or materials covering the waste prior to being released to the atmosphere. If a geomembrane covers the entire landfill area and no other CH₄ oxidation technology is present, it can be presumed that the landfill CH₄ would not have been subject to oxidation.

Oxidation of landfill CH₄ emissions must be accounted for in the following manner:

- A CH₄ oxidation factor of 0% <u>can only</u> be used for landfills with a geomembrane covering the entire landfill area and no other CH₄ oxidation technology
- A CH₄ oxidation factor of 10% <u>must</u> be used for all other landfills, including those with a nongeomembrane cover system or other CH₄ oxidation technology¹⁰

Equation 2 and Equation 3 must be used to calculate the quantity of landfill CH₄ recovered by the active LFG recovery system for each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period.

Equation 2: Quantity of landfill CH₄ attributed to the anaerobic decomposition of waste recovered by the active LFG recovery system (SSR B4)

| | | $CH_4REC_{PR} = \left[\frac{\sum_{i}^{n}(Q_i) \times \rho_{CH_4}}{1000}\right] \times GWP_{CH_4}$ | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Where, | | | Units |
| CH ₄ REC _{PR} | = | Quantity of landfill CH ₄ recovered by the active LFG recovery system during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR B4) | t CO₂e |
| Q _i | = | Volume of landfill CH₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 3 | m³ CH₄ |
| Рсн4 | = | Reference density of CH ₄ , as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | kg CH ₄ /m³ CH ₄ |
| GWP _{CH4} | = | GWP of CH ₄ , as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | - |
| 1000 | = | Conversion factor, kilograms to tonnes | kg/t |
| n | = | Number of eligible destruction devices | - |
| i | = | Eligible destruction device | - |

¹⁰ IPCC. 2001. Good Practise Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Chapter 5 (Waste). Available online.

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Equation 3: Volume of landfill CH4 delivered to an eligible destruction device

$$Q_i = \sum_t^n (LFG_{i,t} \times LFG_{CH_4,t})$$
 Where,
$$Q_i = Volume \ of \ landfill \ CH_4 \ delivered \ to \ eligible \ destruction \ device, \ i, \ m^3 \ CH_4$$
 during a calendar year covered by the reporting period
$$LFG_{i,t} = Corrected \ volume \ of \ LFG \ delivered \ to \ eligible \ destruction \ m^3 \ LFG$$
 device, i, during measurement period, t, as per automatic correction or Equation 4
$$LFG_{CH_4,t} = Average \ CH_4 \ content \ of \ the \ LFG \ during \ measurement \ period, \ t \ m^3 \ CH_4/m^3 \ LFG$$

$$n = Number \ of \ measurement \ periods \ in \ a \ calendar \ year \ covered \ by the \ reporting \ period$$

$$t = Measurement \ period \qquad -$$

All flow meter data must be corrected to the reference temperature and pressure conditions set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values. If the flow meter does not automatically correct the measured volume to the reference temperature and pressure conditions, the proponent must calculate the corrected volume following Equation 4. Equation 4 is not needed if the flow meter automatically corrects the volume.

Equation 4: Volume of LFG delivered to an eligible destruction device, corrected to reference condition

| | $LFG_{i,t} = LFG_{UC} \times \frac{T_{ref}}{T_m} \times \frac{P_m}{P_{ref}}$ | |
|--------------------|---|--------|
| Where, | | Units |
| LFG _{i,t} | Corrected volume of LFG delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during measurement period, t | m³ LFG |
| LFG _{UC} | Uncorrected volume of LFG delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during measurement period, t | m³ LFG |
| T _m | Measured temperature of the LFG for the measurement period, t | K |
| T_{ref} | Reference temperature of the LFG, as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | K |
| P_{m} | = Measured pressure of the LFG for the measurement period, t | kPa |
| P _{ref} | Reference pressure of the LFG, as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | kPa |

8.2 Project scenario quantification

The proponent must follow the below quantification methodology to quantify the project scenario GHG emissions for each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period, based on the included SSRs outlined in Table 2.

The project scenario GHG emissions correspond to the GHG emissions attributed to energy inputs into the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices (other than a flare); supplemental fossil fuel used to support the operation of a flare; and the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s).

Equation 5: Project scenario GHG emissions

| | | $PE = FF_{GHG} + EL_{GHG} + FF_{supp,GHG} + LFG_{GHG}$ | |
|------------------------|---|---|--------|
| Where, | | | Units |
| PE | = | Project scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO₂e |
| FF _{GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of fossil fuels for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 6 (SSR P5) | t CO₂e |
| EL _{GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of grid electricity for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 7 (SSR P5) | t CO₂e |
| FF _{supp,GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of supplemental fossil fuels to support the operation of a flare during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 8 (SSR P6) | t CO₂e |
| LFG _{GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 10 (SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, SSR P12) | t CO₂e |

Equation 6 and Equation 7 quantify the GHG emissions from the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period, which correspond to SSR P5. The proponent must use the appropriate equation(s) dependent on the energy inputs required for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices; these can include blowers, equipment for LFG treatment and purification, destruction devices (other than flares), equipment for the conveyance of LFG to an end user facility, and/or equipment for the upgrading, compression or liquefaction, and injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network. If both fossil fuels and grid electricity are used for these purposes, the proponent must use the summation of Equation 6 and Equation 7 to quantify SSR P5.

Equation 6: Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of fossil fuels for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices (SSR P5)

$$FF_{GHG} = \sum_{j}^{m} \frac{\left(FF_{j} \times EF_{CO_{2,j}}\right) + \left(FF_{j} \times EF_{CH_{4,j}} \times GWP_{CH_{4}}\right) + \left(FF_{j} \times EF_{N_{2}O,j} \times GWP_{N_{2}O}\right)}{1000}$$
Where,
$$FF_{GHG} = \begin{cases} & & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ &$$

Equation 7: Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of grid electricity for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices (SSR P5)

| | $EL_{GHG} = \frac{EL \times EF_{EL,GHG}}{1000}$ | |
|----------------------|---|-------------|
| Where, | | Units |
| EL _{GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of grid electricity for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P5) | t CO₂e |
| EL | Grid electricity consumed by the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | MWh |
| EF _{EL,GHG} | GHG consumption intensity emission factor for grid electricity from the project jurisdiction, as set out in the <i>Emission Factors</i> and Reference Values document | kg CO₂e/MWh |

1000 = Conversion factor, kilograms to tonnes kg/t

Equation 8 quantifies the GHG emissions from supplemental fossil fuel used to support the operation of a flare during each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period, which corresponds to SSR P6. Equation 8 is not needed if the project does not include a flare as a destruction device.

Equation 8: Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of supplemental fossil fuel to support the operation of a flare (SSR P6)

| FF _{supp,GHG} = | Σ_j^m | $ \frac{\left(\text{FF}_{\text{supp,j}} \times \text{EF}_{\text{CO}_{2},j}\right) + \left(\text{FF}_{\text{supp,j}} \times \text{FF}_{\text{CH}_{4},j} \times \rho_{\text{CH}_{4}} \times \left(1 - \text{DE}_{\text{CH}_{4}}\right) \times \text{GWP}_{\text{CH}_{4}}\right) + \left(\text{FF}_{\text{supp,j}} \times \text{DOO}\right) }{1000} $ | $\overline{\text{EF}_{\text{N}_2\text{O},j} \times \text{GWP}_{\text{N}_2\text{O}})}$ |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--|---|
| Where, | | | Units |
| FF _{supp,GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of supplemental fossil fuels to support the operation of a flare during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P6) | t CO₂e |
| FF _{supp,j} | = | Volume of supplemental fossil fuel, j, consumed by a flare during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m^3 |
| EF _{CO2} ,j | = | CO ₂ emission factor for supplemental fossil fuel, j, as set out in the <i>Emission Factors and Reference Values</i> document | kg CO₂/m³ |
| FF _{CH₄,j} | = | Average CH ₄ content of supplemental fossil fuel, j, obtained from the supplier | m³ CH₄/m³ |
| $ ho_{ m CH_4}$ | = | Reference density of CH ₄ , as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | kg CH₄/m³ CH₄ |
| DE _{CH₄} | = | CH ₄ destruction efficiency of the flare, specific to device or as set out in Table 3 | - |
| GWP _{CH₄} | = | GWP of CH ₄ , as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | - |
| $EF_{N_2O,j}$ | = | N ₂ O emission factor for supplemental fossil fuel, j, as set out in the <i>Emission Factors and Reference Values</i> document | kg N₂O/m³ |
| GWP_{N_2O} | = | GWP of N ₂ O, as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | - |
| 1000 | = | Conversion factor, kilograms to tonnes | kg/t |
| m | = | Number of types of supplemental fossil fuels | - |
| j | = | Type of supplemental fossil fuel | - |

Equation 9 and Equation 10 must be used to calculate the quantity of GHG emissions due to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period. Equation 9 determines the undestroyed landfill CH₄ generated from the anaerobic decomposition of waste and released to atmosphere from the eligible destruction device(s), corresponding to SSR P4. This value is then accounted for within Equation 10, which quantifies the GHG emissions from the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s), corresponding to SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, and SSR P12.

Equation 9: Quantity of undestroyed landfill CH₄ generated from the anaerobic decomposition of waste and released to atmosphere based on the destruction efficiency of the eligible destruction device(s) (SSR P4)

| | | $CH_{4}UND = \left[\sum_{i}^{n} \left[Q_{i} \times (1 - DE_{CH_{4},i})\right] \times \frac{\rho_{CH_{4}}}{1000}\right] \times GWP_{CH_{4}}$ | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Where, | | | Units |
| CH₄UND | = | Quantity of undestroyed landfill CH ₄ released to atmosphere during a calendar year covered by the reporting period based on the destruction efficiency of the eligible destruction device(s) (SSR P4) | t CO₂e |
| Q _i | = | Volume of landfill CH ₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 3 | m³ CH₄ |
| $\mathrm{DE}_{\mathrm{CH}_4,i}$ | = | CH ₄ destruction efficiency of eligible destruction device, i, specific to device or as set out in Table 3 | - |
| ρ _{CH4} | = | Reference density of CH ₄ , as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | kg CH ₄ /m ³ CH ₄ |
| GWP_{CH_4} | = | GWP of CH ₄ , as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | - |
| 1000 | = | Conversion factor, kilograms to tonnes | kg/t |
| n | = | Number of eligible destruction devices | - |
| i | = | Eligible destruction device | - |

The amount of landfill CH₄ destroyed in each eligible destruction device is dependent on the CH₄ destruction efficiency for each device (DE_{CH4}). The proponent must make reasonable efforts to determine the device-specific destruction efficiency for each eligible destruction device used. Testing for the device-specific destruction efficiency must be conducted each full or partial calendar year, and include at least three test runs, with the accepted final value being one standard deviation below the mean of the measured efficiencies.

Only if a device-specific destruction efficiency cannot be determined, may the proponent reference the appropriate default value as set out in Table 3.

Table 3: Default destruction efficiencies by eligible destruction device (DE_{CH4})

| Eligible destruction device | Efficiency (DE _{CH4}) ¹¹ |
|---|---|
| Open Flare | 0.96 |
| Enclosed Flare | 0.995 |
| Boiler | 0.98 |
| Turbine (micro or large) | 0.995 |
| Internal Combustion Engine (stationary or mobile) | 0.936 |
| Station for direct injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network | 0.98 |
| Station for compression or liquefaction of upgraded LFG prior to transport and injection into a natural gas network | 0.95 |

Equation 10 must be used to calculate the quantity of undestroyed landfill CH₄ and generated N₂O emissions from the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period.

Equation 10: Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) (SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, SSR P12)

| | | $LFG_{GHG} = [CH_4UND] + \left[\sum_{i}^{n} \left(\frac{Q_i \times \rho_{CH_4}}{1000} \times \frac{EF_{LFG, N_2O, i}}{1000} \right) \times GWP_{N_2O} \right]$ | |
|---------------------------|---|--|---------------|
| Where, | | | Units |
| LFG _{GHG} | = | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, SSR P12) | t CO₂e |
| CH ₄ UND | = | Quantity of undestroyed landfill CH ₄ released to atmosphere during a calendar year covered by the reporting period based on the destruction efficiency of the eligible destruction device(s), as per Equation 9 (SSR P4) | t CO₂e |
| Q _i | = | Volume of landfill CH₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 3 | m³ CH₄ |
| $ ho_{	ext{CH}_4}$ | = | Reference density of CH ₄ , as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values | kg CH₄/m³ CH₄ |
| EF _{LFG, N2} O,i | = | N₂O emission factor for the destruction of LFG in eligible destruction device, i, as set out in the <i>Emission Factors and Reference Values</i> document | kg N₂O/t CH₄ |
| 1000 | = | Conversion factor, kilograms to tonnes | kg/t |
| GWP _{N2} O | = | GWP of N_2O , as provided in Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | - |

¹¹ Destruction efficiencies are referenced from Quebec's *Regulation respecting landfill methane reclamation and destruction projects eligible for the issuance of offset credits*. These values also align with most other landfill CH₄ offset protocols from other systems.

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| n | = | Number of eligible destruction devices | - |
|---|---|--|---|
| i | = | Eligible destruction device | - |

8.3 Leakage

Market-shifting and activity-shifting leakage do not apply to this project type.

8.4 GHG emission reductions

The GHG emission reductions (ER), determined in accordance with Equation 11, correspond to the GHG reductions generated by the project, determined in accordance with section 20 of the Regulations.

Equation 11: GHG Emission Reductions

| | ER = BE - PE | |
|--------|--|--------|
| Where, | | Units |
| ER | GHG emission reductions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period. | t CO₂e |
| BE | Baseline scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 1. | t CO₂e |
| PE | Project scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period, as per Equation 5. | t CO₂e |

8.5 Summary of quantification parameters

Table 4 provides a summary of the parameters in each quantification equation as well as details regarding measurement and calculation frequency.

Table 4: Quantification parameters for a landfill CH₄ recovery and destruction project

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| Equation 1: | Equation 1: $BE = CH_4REC_{PR} \times (1 - OX)$ | | | | | | |
| BE | Baseline scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| CH ₄ REC _{PR} | Quantity of landfill CH ₄ recovered by the active LFG recovery system during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO ₂ e | Calculated See Equation 2 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| OX | Factor for the oxidation of landfill CH ₄ by bacteria in soil or materials covering the waste | N/A | Specified See Section 8.1 | N/A | | | |
| Equation 2: | $\text{CH}_4 \text{REC}_{PR} = \left[\frac{\Sigma_i^n(Q_i) \times \rho_{\text{CH}_4}}{1000} \right] \times \text{GWP}_{\text{CH}_4}$ | | | | | | |
| CH ₄ REC _{PR} | Quantity of landfill CH ₄ recovered by the active LFG recovery system during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR B4) | t CO ₂ e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| Q_{i} | Volume of landfill CH ₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ CH₄ | Calculated See Equation 3 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| $ ho_{ m CH_4}$ | Reference density of CH ₄ | kg CH ₄ /m ³ CH ₄ | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A | | | |
| GWP_{CH_4} | GWP of CH₄ | N/A | Referenced Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A | | | |
| Equation 3: | Equation 3: $Q_i = \sum_{t}^{n} (LFG_{i,t} \times LFG_{CH_4,t})$ | | | | | | |
| Qi | Volume of landfill CH ₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ CH ₄ | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency |
|--|---|---------------|----------------------------------|--|
| $\mathrm{LFG}_{\mathrm{i},\mathrm{t}}$ | Corrected volume of LFG delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during measurement period, t | m³ LFG | Measured <u>or</u> Calculated | Measured continuously with volume recorded every measurement period. The measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes. Or Calculated as per Equation 4 if flow meter does not automatically correct volume. |
| LFG _{CH4} ,t | Average CH ₄ content of the LFG during measurement period, t | m³ CH₄/m³ LFG | Measured | Measured continuously with CH ₄ content averaged over the measurement period. The measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes. |
| Equation 4: | $LFG_{i,t} = LFG_{UC} \times \frac{T_{ref}}{T_m} \times \frac{P_m}{P_{ref}}$ | | | |
| LFG _{i,t} | Corrected volume of LFG delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during measurement period, t | m³ LFG | Calculated | Each measurement period. The measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes. |
| LFG _{UC} | Uncorrected volume of LFG delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during measurement period, t | m³ LFG | Measured | Measured continuously with volume recorded every measurement period. The |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency | | |
|------------------|---|--------|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes. | | |
| T _m | Measured temperature of the LFG for the measurement period, t | К | Measured | Measured continuously with value recorded every measurement period. The measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes but must be the same frequency as for LFGuc. | | |
| $T_{ m ref}$ | Reference temperature of the LFG | К | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A | | |
| P _m | Measured pressure of the LFG for the measurement period, t | kPa | Measured | Measured continuously with value recorded every measurement period. The measurement period can be a maximum of 15 minutes but must be the same frequency as for LFGuc. | | |
| P _{ref} | Reference pressure of the LFG | kPa | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A | | |
| Equation 5: | Equation 5: $PE = FF_{GHG} + EL_{GHG} + FF_{supp,GHG} + LFG_{GHG}$ | | | | | |
| PE | Project scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO2e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by | | |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency |
|------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| | | | | the reporting |
| _ | | | | period |
| FF_GHG | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of fossil fuels for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting |
| | destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P5) | | See Equation 6 | period |
| $\mathrm{EL}_{\mathrm{GHG}}$ | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of grid electricity for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by |
| | destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P5) | | See Equation 7 | the reporting period |
| FF _{supp,GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of supplemental fossil fuels to support the operation of a flare | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by |
| | during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P6) | | See Equation 8 | the reporting period |
| LFG_GHG | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during a calendar | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by |
| | year covered by the reporting period (SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, SSR P12) | | See Equation 10 | the reporting period |
| Equation 6: | $FF_{GHG} = \sum_{j}^{m} \left[\frac{(FF_j \times EF_{CO_2,j}) + (FF_j \times EF_{CH_4,j} \times GW)}{100} \right]$ | P _{CH4})+(FF _j x EF _{N2O,j} x 0 | $\frac{\text{GWP}_{N_2O}}{}$ | |
| FF _{GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of fossil fuels for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P5) | t CO2e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period |
| FF _j | Volume of fossil fuel, j, consumed by the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ | Measured <u>or</u> Calculated | Measured continuously with volume recorded at least once every 15 minutes and summed for each calendar year covered by |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency |
|---------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|
| | | | | the reporting |
| | | | | period |
| | | | | <u>or</u> |
| | | | | Calculated from fossil fuel purchasing records and/or equipment specifications and summed for each calendar year covered by the reporting |
| | | | Deference | period |
| | | | Referenced | |
| $EF_{CO_2,j}$ | CO ₂ emission factor for fossil fuel, j | kg CO ₂ /m ³ | Emission Factors | N/A |
| | | | and Reference | |
| | | | Values document | |
| | | | Referenced | |
| EF _{CH4,j} | CH₄ emission factor for fossil fuel, j | kg CH₄/m³ | Emission Factors and Reference Values document | N/A |
| | | | Referenced | |
| GWP _{CH4} | GWP of CH₄ | N/A | Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A |
| | | | Referenced | |
| EF _{N2O,j} | N₂O emission factor for fossil fuel, j | kg N₂O/m³ | Emission Factors and Reference Values document | N/A |
| | | | Referenced | |
| GWP_{N_2O} | GWP of N₂O | N/A | Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A |
| Equation 7: | $EL_{GHG} = \frac{EL \times EF_{EL,GHG}}{1000}$ | | | |
| EL _{GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar |
| | to the use of grid electricity for the | | | year covered by |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency |
|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P5) | | | the reporting period |
| EL | Grid electricity consumed by the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, and destruction devices during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | MWh | Measured <u>or</u> Calculated | Measured using meter and summed for each calendar year covered by the reporting period Or Calculated from electricity purchasing records and/or equipment specifications and summed for each calendar year covered by the reporting period |
| EF _{EL,GHG} | GHG consumption intensity emission factor for grid electricity from the project jurisdiction | kg CO₂e/MWh | Referenced Emission Factors and Reference Values document | N/A |
| Equation 8: | $FF_{\text{supp,GHG}} = \sum_{j}^{m} \left[\frac{(FF_{\text{supp,j}} \times EF_{\text{CO}_2,j}) + (FF_{\text{supp,j}})}{(FF_{\text{supp,j}} \times EF_{\text{CO}_2,j}) + (FF_{\text{supp,j}})} \right]$ | j x FF _{CH₄,j} x ρ _{CH₄} x (1-D) 1000 | E_{CH_4}) x GWP_{CH_4})+ $(FF_{Supp}$ | $\left. \begin{array}{c} x \text{EF}_{\text{N}_2\text{O},j} x \text{GWP}_{\text{N}_2\text{O}} \end{array} \right) $ |
| FF _{supp,GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the use of supplemental fossil fuels to support the operation of a flare during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P6) | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period |
| FF _{supp,j} | Volume of supplemental fossil fuel, j, consumed by a flare during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ | Measured <u>or</u> Calculated | Measured continuously with volume recorded at least once every 15 minutes and summed for |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency |
|----------------------|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | each calendar year covered by the reporting period |
| | | | | <u>or</u> |
| | | | | Calculated from fossil fuel purchasing records and/or equipment specifications and summed for each calendar year covered by the reporting |
| | | | Referenced | period |
| EF _{CO2} ,j | CO ₂ emission factor for supplemental fossil fuel, j | kg CO₂/m³ | Emission Factors and Reference Values document | N/A |
| FF _{CH4,j} | Average CH ₄ content of supplemental fossil fuel, j | m³ CH₄/m³ | Specified Obtained from supplier | N/A |
| Рсн ₄ | Reference density of CH ₄ | kg CH ₄ /m³ CH ₄ | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A |
| DE _{CH4} | CH ₄ destruction efficiency of the flare | N/A | Calculated from device-specific testing or Referenced from Table 3 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period |
| GWP _{CH4} | GWP of CH₄ | N/A | Referenced Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A |
| EF _{N2O,j} | N ₂ O emission factor for supplemental fossil fuel, j | kg N₂O/m³ | Referenced | N/A |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | Emission Factors and Reference Values document | | | | | |
| GWP _{N2O} | GWP of N₂O | N/A | Referenced Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A | | | | |
| Equation 9: | Equation 9: $CH_4UND = \left[\sum_{i}^{n} [Q_i \times (1 - DE_{CH_4,i})] \times \frac{\rho_{CH_4}}{1000}\right] \times GWP_{CH_4}$ | | | | | | | |
| CH₄UND | Quantity of undestroyed landfill CH ₄ released to atmosphere during a calendar year covered by the reporting period based on the destruction efficiency of the eligible destruction device(s) (SSR P4) | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | | |
| Qi | Volume of landfill CH ₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ CH ₄ | Calculated See Equation 3 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | | |
| $\mathrm{DE}_{\mathrm{CH}_4,i}$ | CH ₄ destruction efficiency of eligible destruction device, i | N/A | Calculated from device-specific testing or Referenced from Table 3 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | | |
| $ ho_{	ext{CH}_4}$ | Reference density of CH ₄ | kg CH ₄ /m ³ CH ₄ | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A | | | | |
| GWP _{CH4} | GWP of CH₄ | N/A | Referenced Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A | | | | |
| Equation 10 | Equation 10: LFG _{GHG} = [CH ₄ UND] + $\left[\sum_{i}^{n} \left(\frac{Q_{i} \times \rho_{CH_{4}}}{1000} \times \frac{EF_{LFG, N_{2}O, i}}{1000}\right) \times GWP_{N_{2}O}\right]$ | | | | | | | |
| LFG _{GHG} | Quantity of GHG emissions attributed to the destruction of LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) during a calendar year covered by the reporting period (SSR P7, SSR P8, SSR P9, SSR P10, SSR P11, SSR P12) | t CO2e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | | |

| Parameter | Description | Units | Parameter type | Measurement / calculation frequency | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| CH ₄ UND | Quantity of undestroyed landfill CH ₄ released to atmosphere during a calendar year covered by the reporting period based on the destruction efficiency of the eligible destruction device(s) (SSR P4) | t CO₂e | Calculated See Equation 9 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| Q _i | Volume of landfill CH₄ delivered to eligible destruction device, i, during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | m³ CH₄ | Calculated See Equation 3 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| $ ho_{	ext{CH}_4}$ | Reference density of CH₄ | kg CH ₄ /m ³ CH ₄ | Referenced Schedule A – Reference condition values | N/A | | | |
| EF _{LFG, N2O,i} | N₂O emission factor for the destruction of LFG in eligible destruction device, i | kg N₂O/t CH₄ | Referenced Emission Factors and Reference Values document | N/A | | | |
| $\mathrm{GWP}_{\mathrm{N_2O}}$ | GWP of N₂O | N/A | Referenced Column 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act | N/A | | | |
| Equation 11 | Equation 11: ER = BE – PE | | | | | | |
| ER | GHG emission reductions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO₂e | Calculated | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| BE | Baseline scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO₂e | Calculated See Equation 1 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |
| PE | Project scenario GHG emissions during a calendar year covered by the reporting period | t CO₂e | Calculated See Equation 5 | Each calendar year covered by the reporting period | | | |

9.0 Reversals

This section does not apply to this project type.

9.1 Reversal risk management plan

This section does not apply to this project type.

9.2 Permanence monitoring

This section does not apply to this project type.

10.0 Environmental integrity account

There are no additional provisions regarding the deposit of offset credits generated into the environmental integrity account, beyond what is specified in the Regulations.

11.0 Measurement and data

11.1 Data and information management

There are no additional provisions regarding data and information management, beyond what is specified in the Regulations.

11.2 Measuring devices

The proponent must ensure the appropriate measuring devices are installed and operated to achieve the frequency of data measurement outlined in Section 8.5.

11.2.1 Flow meters

The LFG recovery and destruction system must include permanent flow meters that directly and separately measure the volume of LFG actively recovered from within the project site and delivered to the individual eligible destruction device(s). The volume of any fossil fuels used for the operation of the active LFG recovery system, treatment equipment, or eligible destruction devices must be measured by permanent flow meters or determined using purchasing records. Volume data must be converted into cubic metres (m³) to align with the quantification methodology presented in Section 8.0.

11.2.2 Temperature and pressure gauges

If a flow meter automatically corrects the LFG volume to the reference temperature and pressure conditions set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values, no additional temperature and pressure gauges are required.

If a flow meter does not automatically correct the LFG volume, permanent temperature and pressure gauges must be installed to measure temperature and pressure at the same measurement frequency as the LFG volume (See Section 8.5). LFG temperature and pressure must be measured under the same conditions (wet or dry basis) as the LFG volume

The LFG volume data must be corrected from measured temperature and pressure conditions to the reference temperature and pressure conditions set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values by using Equation 4.

11.2.3 Methane analyzers

The active LFG recovery system must include permanent methane analyzers (e.g. gas chromatographs) that directly measure the CH₄ content in the LFG on a volumetric basis. LFG CH₄ content should be measured under the same conditions (wet or dry basis) as LFG volume, temperature and pressure.

11.2.4 Arrangement of measuring devices

Flow meters and methane analyzers must be arranged in such a way as to ensure the data is representative of the LFG actively recovered and destroyed by the project.

- Flow meters: Must be placed to separately measure the volume of LFG actively recovered from within the project site and delivered to the individual eligible destruction device(s).
- Methane analyzers: For a project with multiple eligible destruction devices, if the LFG is delivered
 to the eligible destruction devices from a common manifold or header upstream of the destruction
 devices, one methane analyzer can be placed to measure the CH₄ content of the LFG at that
 common manifold or header pipe. If the LFG is delivered to each eligible destruction device from
 separate manifolds or header pipes, a separate methane analyzer is required upstream of each
 individual destruction device.

Additionally, flow meters and methane analyzers must be placed to:

- measure the volume and CH₄ content of the LFG actively recovered from within the project site separately from any LFG recovered by an existing LFG recovery system in the landfill;
- measure the volume and CH₄ content of the LFG before the introduction of any supplemental fossil fuel:
- measure the volume of supplemental fossil fuel prior to its introduction; and
- measure the volume and CH₄ content of the LFG actively recovered from within the project site separately from any other fuel sources prior to the destruction of the LFG in the eligible destruction device(s) at an end user facility.

A moisture-removing component may separate a methane analyzer and a flow meter where the methane analyzer is placed upstream of the moisture-removing component (CH₄ content measured on a wet basis), and the flow meter is placed downstream of the moisture-removing component (LFG volume measured on a dry basis). A moisture-removing component must not separate a methane analyzer and flow meter in any other configuration other than previously described. No other devices or equipment that could change the LFG composition by volume may separate a methane analyzer and a flow meter.

11.3 Quality assurance and quality control

Quality assurance and quality control procedures must be implemented to ensure that all measurements and calculations have been made correctly and can be verified.

All flow meters and methane analyzers must be:

- Checked for accuracy by following manufacturer specifications at least once each calendar year, with the last occurring no more than 2 months before or after the end of the reporting period.
- Calibrated by the manufacturer or by a third party certified for that purpose and following manufacturer specifications, in accordance with the manufacturer specified frequency or every 5 years, whichever is more frequent.

The measurement accuracy of all measuring devices must show that the measuring device provides a reading that is within a \pm 5% accuracy range. When the accuracy of the measuring device deviates from the \pm 5% range, the appropriate corrective action(s) must be taken, in accordance with the manufacturer specifications.

After the corrective action(s), the measuring device must be rechecked for accuracy. If the accuracy of the measuring device is still not within the \pm 5% range, the measuring device must be calibrated by the manufacturer or by a third party certified for that purpose and following manufacturer specifications, no more than two months after the end of the reporting period.

For the entire period from the last time the measuring device showed a reading within \pm 5% accuracy until the measuring device shows a return to \pm 5% accuracy:

- When the inaccuracy of the measuring device indicates an under-reporting, the measured values must be used without correction.
- When the inaccuracy of the measuring device indicates an over-reporting, the measured values
 must be corrected by the percentage that the accuracy of the measuring device deviated from the
 ± 5% range.

11.4 Missing data

If a measuring device fails to produce data as required in Section 8.5, missing data may be substituted using the methodology in this section. If missing data is not substituted using the methodology below, no GHG emission reductions can be quantified for the period during which data is missing.

Missing data from a measuring device may only be substituted if the following two conditions are met during the period of missing data:

- 1. The operational status of the eligible destruction device(s) can be demonstrated in accordance with the requirements in Section 11.5.
- 2. The proper functioning of the thermocouple or destruction device monitoring instrument(s) referred to in Section 11.5 can be demonstrated with the appropriate data.

Missing data from a flow meter or methane analyzer may only be substituted in accordance with the following rules:

- LFG volume data may be substituted when CH₄ content data is not missing and the methane analyzer is demonstrated to be functioning properly; or
- CH₄ content data may be substituted when LFG volume data is not missing and the flow meter is demonstrated to be functioning properly.

For a project with LFG volume or CH₄ content data missing for a period of up to seven consecutive days, the appropriate substitution method from Table 5 may be employed to substitute the data.

In the event that periods of missing data occur more than once during the reporting period, data may be substituted for:

- no more than 5% of the GHG emission reductions for the reporting period, if the GHG emission reductions are less than 100,000 tonnes of CO₂e; or
- no more than 2% of the GHG emission reductions for the reporting period, if the GHG emission reductions are equal to or greater than 100,000 tonnes of CO₂e.

Table 5: Missing data substitution methods

| Missing data period | Substitution method |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Less than 6 consecutive hours | Use the average of the 4 hours immediately prior to <u>and</u> after the missing data period. |
| 6 to less than 24 consecutive hours | Use the 95% upper or lower confidence limit of the 72 hours prior to <u>or</u> after the missing data period, whichever results in greater conservativeness. |
| 1 to 7 consecutive days | Use the 90% upper or lower confidence limit of the 72 hours prior to <u>or</u> after the missing data period, whichever results in greater conservativeness. |
| More than 7 consecutive days | No data may be substituted after the 7 th consecutive day, and no GHG emission reductions may be quantified. |

11.5 Operational status of eligible destruction devices

The operational status of the eligible destruction device(s) must be monitored with a destruction device monitoring instrument and recorded at least hourly to ensure LFG destruction is occurring.

For a flare (open or enclosed), the operational status must be determined based on data from a thermocouple. The thermocouple must indicate that the flare temperature meets or exceeds 260°C, the minimum combustion temperature for CH₄. If the temperature is below 260°C, no GHG emission reductions can be quantified for the period during which the temperature remains below 260°C.

For boilers, turbines, internal combustion engines, stations for the direct injection of upgraded LFG into a natural gas network, or stations for the compression or liquefaction of upgraded LFG prior to its transport and injection into a natural gas network, a destruction device monitoring instrument must monitor and measure an indicator of operational status (e.g. energy output). If the operational status is not monitored and an indicator is not measured, no GHG emission reductions can be quantified for the period during which monitoring data is not measured.

When LFG is transported to an end user facility, monitoring data demonstrating the operational status of the eligible destruction device(s) must be made available to the proponent or the GHG emission reductions can not be included in the quantification.

If an eligible destruction device, thermocouple or other destruction device monitoring instrument is not operating or functioning properly in accordance with the manufacturer specifications, no GHG emission reductions can be quantified for the period during which they are not operating or functioning properly.

12.0 Records

In addition to the record keeping requirements in the Regulations, the proponent must retain records that support the implementation of a project, including invoices, contracts, metered results, maintenance records, calculations, databases, photographs, and calibration records, at the location and for the period of time specified in the Regulations. These records apply to any eligible destruction devices, measuring devices or meters located at the landfill site or end user facility, if applicable. For a *Landfill Methane Recovery and Destruction* project, additional records include:

- Documentation demonstrating the quantity of waste in place and/or waste received/disposed per year at the landfill.
- Documentation related to all operating permits for the landfill site, including those related to noise and odour controls.
- Documentation related to project design considerations for the installation and safe operation of the active LFG recovery system and the eligible destruction device(s).
- Documentation demonstrating the installation date of the active LFG recovery system and eligible destruction device(s) and the first day LFG actively recovered from within the project site is destroyed in the eligible destruction device(s).
- Documentation demonstrating the geographic boundaries of the active LFG recovery system within the project site.
- A copy of any agreements between the proponent and an end user of the LFG stating that any
 offset credits issued for the GHG emission reductions generated from the destruction of the LFG
 in the eligible destruction device(s) operated by the end user will not be claimed by the end user.
- A copy of the agreement/contract in place for the sale of any LFG to be destroyed at the landfill site or end user facility, directly injected into a natural gas network, and/or compressed or liquefied prior to transport and injection into a natural gas network.
- Documentation demonstrating the sale of any LFG to be destroyed at the landfill site or end user facility, directly injected into a natural gas network, and/or compressed or liquefied prior to transport and injection into a natural gas network, including the actual quantities sold during the reporting period.
- Documentation providing details of the landfill cover system and CH₄ oxidation technologies in place, including the proportion of the landfill area that is covered and the installation date by landfill cell for all landfill covers and CH₄ oxidation technologies.
- Details about the eligible destruction device(s) including:
 - o Documentation describing the eligible destruction device(s) included in the project.
 - Manufacturer specifications for the operation and maintenance of the eligible destruction device(s) included in the project.

- The testing data and documentation pertaining to the device-specific destruction efficiency or the selected default destruction efficiency value from Table 3.
- Documentation describing the location and arrangement of the eligible destruction device(s), including if an eligible destruction device is located at an end user facility.
- Data indicating the operational status of the eligible destruction device(s) along with evidence that the equipment is operating according to the manufacturer specifications.
- Details of fossil fuel and/or electricity consumed including:
 - o For meters under control of the proponent:
 - Documentation describing all fossil fuel and/or electricity meters used, including the meter model number or serial number.
 - Manufacturer specifications for the maintenance and calibration of each meter.
 - Documentation indicating the proper functioning of each meter in accordance with the manufacturer specifications.
 - For meters that are not under control of the proponent:
 - Reasonable efforts must be made to obtain documentation describing all fossil fuel and/or electricity meters used and demonstrating that manufacturer specifications for maintenance and calibration have been met during the reporting period.
 - Documentation describing the location and arrangement of all fossil fuel and/or electricity meters.
 - Metered quantities or purchase records that indicate the quantity and types of fossil fuel and/or quantity of electricity consumed by the project.
- Details about the measuring devices including:
 - Documentation describing the device type, model number and/or serial number for each measuring device included in the project, including flow meters, methane analyzers, temperature or pressure gauges, thermocouples, and/or destruction device monitoring instruments.
 - Manufacturer specifications for the maintenance and calibration of each measuring device included in the project.
 - Documentation describing the location and arrangement of all measuring devices included in the project.
 - Documentation indicating the proper functioning of each measuring device included in the project in accordance with the manufacturer specifications.
- The maintenance records for the active LFG recovery system, destruction devices and measuring devices, including records of accuracy checks.
- Documentation describing the corrective measures applied if a measuring device or meter fails to meet the requirements for measurement accuracy.
- The calibration certificates and/or other records from either the manufacturer or a third-party certified for that purpose for each measuring device or meter which indicate calibration date, time, and results.
- All information and data used to support the calculation of the GHG emission reductions including:
 - All uncorrected LFG volume data, if a flow meter does not automatically correct volume.
 - Measured temperature and pressure data for the LFG, if a flow meter does not automatically correct volume.
 - All LFG volume data, corrected to the reference temperature and pressure conditions as set out in Schedule A – Reference condition values, either automatically or using Equation 4.
 - All LFG CH₄ content data.

13.0 Verification requirements

13.1 Competency requirements for verification teams

There are no additional provisions regarding competency requirements for verification teams for this project type, beyond what is specified in the Regulations

14.0 Reporting requirements

In addition to the reporting requirements specified in the Regulations, the proponent must report the quantified GHG emissions for each SSR included in the baseline and project scenarios in t CO₂e for each full or partial calendar year covered by the reporting period.

Schedule A

Reference condition values

| Parameter | Description | Value | Units | Reference source |
|-----------------------|--|---------|-------|-------------------|
| T_{ref} | Reference temperature of the LFG | 298.15 | K | Physical constant |
| P _{ref} | Reference pressure of the LFG | 101.325 | kPa | Physical constant |
| $ ho_{\mathrm{CH_4}}$ | Reference density of CH ₄ (at T _{ref} and P _{ref} conditions) | 0.656 | kg/m³ | Physical constant |