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## WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol Product and Supply Chain Accounting and Reporting Standard *Options for Stakeholder Engagement*

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The WRI/WBCSD GHG Protocol is developing a new standard for product and supply chain GHG accounting and reporting. The GHG Protocol is a multi-stakeholder, consensus-based process that depends on the active participation of stakeholders to ensure the success and broad adoption of its standards. Stakeholders have four options for participating, outlined below. You are encouraged to participate in any and all categories that are of interest.

At this stage, the GHG Protocol is seeking an indication of interest in participation, rather than a formal agreement to participate. Stakeholders who express interest will receive follow-up materials with more details on the substance of participation. An official sign-up form will be distributed to interested stakeholders in June.

If you are interested in participating, please send an e-mail to David Rich at [drich@wri.org](mailto:drich@wri.org). In the e-mail, provide the following information: your name, organization, e-mail address, telephone number, and indicate which of the four types of participation (outlined below) you may be interested in. Note that this does not confirm participation in any of the groups, but instead means that you may be interested and would like to receive further information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email David Rich at [drich@wri.org](mailto:drich@wri.org) or call at +1 (202) 729 7744.

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### **Option 1: Participate in a technical working group**

As described in the business plan, several technical working groups will be established to develop guidelines on specific accounting issues throughout the standard development process. Individual working groups may focus on, for example, setting boundaries and allocating emissions, establishing criteria for determining relevance of scope 3 sources, data sources and data collection, product use emissions, reporting and communication, among others.

In general, participation will require stakeholders to actively participate and share technical expertise during conference calls and occasional in-person workshops and review and revise draft materials. We are seeking participants with considerable experience with the technical issues under consideration.

*Additional details of participation, including specific working group topics and terms of reference, will be circulated to interested stakeholders.*



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### **Option 2: Participate in the stakeholder advisory group**

This option involves less active participation than Option 1. Members of the stakeholder advisory group will be kept informed on the progress of the standard development and will have opportunities to provide periodic feedback on the draft elements of the guidelines as they are produced through the working group process.

### **Option 3: Road test draft guidelines**

After the draft guidelines are complete, an essential phase in the guideline development process is the “road test” of draft guidelines. Companies will have an opportunity to implement the draft guidelines within their organizations to ensure that they can be practically implemented and provide any feedback for their improvement. Feedback from the road testing will then be incorporated into the final version of the guidelines. Companies will have an opportunity to road test the draft guidelines in mid-2009.

*Specific details of participation, including terms of reference, will be provided to interested companies closer to the road testing phase.*

### **Option 4: Contribute funding support**

The GHG Protocol is seeking financial support to develop the new guidelines. The project is seeking funding contributions from companies, governments and foundations.

*If you may be interested in contributing funding support to the project, please contact David Rich at [drich@wri.org](mailto:drich@wri.org) for more information.*