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**WADE issues report on Cogeneration Projects and the Clean Development Mechanism**

Edinburgh, UK.- The World Alliance for Decentralized Energy (WADE) an international non-profit has recently released a significant report regarding cogeneration projects in the Kyoto Protocol’s ‘Clean Development Mechanism’. The CDM is one the Kyoto Protocol’s market mechanisms designed to provide flexibility in reducing climate destabilizing greenhouse gas emissions cost effectively. It encourages cooperation between ‘developed’ and ‘developing’ countries.

According to WADE Executive Director David Sweet “this landmark study highlights the global potential for decentralized energy to improve the environment and the corporate bottom line. The CDM incentives make DE technologies even more attractive than they already are and will accelerate the pace of addressing the greenhouse gas problem.”

The ‘Clean Development through Cogeneration’ report shows that cogeneration projects represent 20% of all registered projects in the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) of the Kyoto Protocol, and account for emission reductions of more than 3.5 Mt/yr.

The report sheds light in the current status of Combined Heat and Power (CHP) projects in the CDM, analyses the potential for future projects in specific sectors and countries, and provides participants with a step-by-step guide for implementing a CHP project within the CDM. The research in the WADE report is based on data and reports from the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), market data, research institutes, CDM project participants and other stakeholders.

“The release of this study highlights DE’s incredible potential for clean development under the Kyoto Protocol” added WADE’s chair, Richard Brent. “ WADE has been a leader in providing high quality energy research and modeling. This report expands WADE’s research into another key area.”

The report is available at no charge from WADE’s website:

**About WADE:** The World Alliance for Decentralized Energy (WADE), based in Edinburgh, UK, was established in 2002 as a non-profit research and promotion organization with the mission to accelerate the worldwide development of high efficiency cogeneration (CHP) and decentralized renewable energy systems that deliver substantial economic and environmental benefits.

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