



## Protocol Comment Form

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### What is the issue or problem with the current Protocol?

Please select one:  General Reporting Protocol     Certification Protocol  
LEAD CERTIFIER. Both protocols are silent on the role of a "lead certifier."

The Registry defines a Lead Certifier as any person from an approved certifier organization who provides an independent internal review of any certification and subsequently signs the firm's Certification Opinion submitted to the Registry. Approved certifiers may conduct certification activities, but only a lead certifier may sign a Certification Opinion.

### What solution or alternative approach would address this?

Within both protocols, add a definition for the term "Lead Certifier" as follows:

A Lead Certifier is any person or persons from an approved certifier organization who is responsible to review his/her firm's certification analyses and sign Certification Opinions. To receive the "Lead Certifier" designation, an individual must complete the Registry's certification training workshop, held approximately twice a year. In the event of subsequent question as to certifiability of emissions reports, the Lead Certifier is his/her firm's contact person to defend the Certification Opinion.

### How will this proposed solution continue to meet the general spirit and purpose of the Protocol and the Registry, as outlined in the Protocol itself, policies adopted by the Board of Directors and enabling legislation?

Requiring lead certifiers--the person who signs the Certification Opinion--to complete Registry-training ensures that they have trained in the State and Registry's expectations from the certification process. Also, requiring that the signer of the Certification Opinion subsequently defend the Opinion ensures careful oversight and review of the certification results.

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