

# CLARIFICATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1 | Clarification

#### 1.0 | Details

Clarification Reference Number	CL_108
Date of clarification response	22/08/2022

#### 1.1 | Clarification response

The Secretariat would like to thank the Project Developer for raising this clarification request. The PD shall refer to the requirement in section 4.12.4 of [Programme of Activity Requirements – Gold Standard for the Global Goals](#) which states that, “For a proposed PoA applying more than one technology/measure or more than one methodology, the coordinating/managing entity shall prepare a real case VPA-DD for each technology/measure, each methodology and each combination thereof”. Thus, PD needs to submit separate VPA-DD for each one technology/measure or more than one methodology. However, several installations may be included in one VPA.

## B. To be completed by the entity requesting clarification

### 2 | Background information

#### 2.0 | Generic information

Date of submission	10/08/2022	
Title/subject of clarification	Bundle VPAs under one PoA	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number of the document(s)	Applicable requirements category	
	<input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Principles &amp; requirements</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Activity requirements</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Impact quantification methodology</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Contextual requirements</a> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Product requirements</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Templates</a> <input type="checkbox"/> Others	
	Document Name:	GHG Emissions Reductions and Sequestration Product Requirements
	Version number:	Version 2.1, published 24/02/2022
	Paragraph Reference:	2.1.2; 2.1.3
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	Organisation Name: First Climate (Switzerland) AG	
	Category:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Designated National Authority (DNA) <input type="checkbox"/> Validation and Verification Body (VVB) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Participant/Developer (PP/PD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coordinating/ Managing Entity (CME) <input type="checkbox"/> Certification Body <input type="checkbox"/> Other Stakeholder ( <i>please specify</i> )	

#### 2.1 | Activity details

Not Applicable

Project/PoA/VPA ID	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title		
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies)	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale <input type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA		
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input type="checkbox"/> Certified project	

### 3 | Clarification detail

#### 3.0 | Description of the clarification:

\*Guidance\* Use the space below to describe the clarification and substantiate it. Please include all relevant information in support of the request. If the queries are related to a project activity or programme of activities under development or implementation, please describe the context in which they arose. If necessary, attach files or refer to sources of relevant information.

##### 3.0.0 | Clarification detail:

We are planning to develop Program of Activities (PoA) under Gold Standard to include different renewable energy off-grid projects (PV and hydro) located in different host countries. In the light of recently published Version 02 of Program of Activities Requirements and Procedures we need to clarify and/or confirm certain aspects with your technical team, prior adopting our decision how to most-efficiently structure the respective PoA.

Background: technologies to be covered by PoA: off-grid small hydro and PV Solar. Location: different countries in South America. Project sizes: small scale project activities (<15 MW), some qualify as microscale (<10,000 tCO2e/yr of emission reduction)

Clarification request:

Can single project activities (situated in one host country, but in different locations and managed by different entities) be grouped into one Bundle VPA, and then such Bundle VPAs are to be added to PoA as real-case or regular VPAs or is it required that each single project activity is developed as a separate VPA to be added to PoA?

**3.1 | Documents:**

Not Applicable

3.1.0 | List of documents

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**Document history**

Version number	Release date	Description
1	04/07/2022	Initial adoption