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## FORM

# FORM - DEVIATION REQUEST SUBMISSION

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### RELATED DOCUMENTS

– [Deviations Approval Requirements and Procedures](#)

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## 1| **General Guidelines**

### 1.1 | **Applicability**

- 1.1.1 | This form is to be completed for projects (project activities/PoAs/VPAs) seeking deviation or is/are at a risk of deviating from any [applicable requirements](#), GS4GG-specific requirements listed in the applicable [Methodologies](#) or any other deviations occurring in any of the various aspects of the project.
- 1.1.2 | Refer to the latest version of [Deviation Request Requirements and Procedures](#) for detailed information on the procedures and requirements.
- 1.1.3 | This form can be used in the following instances i.e.,
  - a. Deviation from GS4GG requirements and/or applicable methodologies prior to submission for certification with GS4GG.
  - b. Temporary changes to a certified project - which include changes from the registered monitoring plan, the applied methodologies or other standard documents - that are expected **not** to occur beyond a given monitoring period.
- 1.1.4 | For any permanent changes to a design certified project, the requirements set in [Design Change Approval Requirements and Procedures](#) shall be followed.

## 2| **Submission of deviation form**

- 2.1.1 | This form shall be submitted in Microsoft Word (.doc) format to Gold Standard at [deviations@goldstandard.org](mailto:deviations@goldstandard.org)
- 2.1.2 | Forms with incomplete/inaccurate information shall not be considered for review and shall be returned to the applicant.

## 3| **Implementation of deviation decision**

- 3.1.1 | The decision prescribed in this form shall be considered by the entity applying for deviation for further course of action.

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## 4 | Decision summary

*To be completed by Gold Standard*

### 4.1 | General information

|                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DEVIATION REFERENCE NUMBER | DEVREQ-201                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Date of decision           | 04/09/2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Decision                   | <p>X <b>Approved</b> [No precondition to apply the deviation decision]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Conditionally approved</b> [Decision is subject to compliance with the precondition defined below]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not approved</b> [reason for rejection is provided in decision summary]</p> |

### 4.2 | Decision

#### 4.2.1 | Decision Summary

GS has evaluated the deviation request against GS4GG rules on methodology deviations and data sources. In this case the following were considered:

- The requirement for project-specific CCTs in MMECD v1.2 is to ensure accuracy and representativeness of the data for emission reduction calculations.
- The proposed third-party study adheres to the same CCT protocol and was conducted on the same stove models under similar conditions, which suggests that it satisfies the methodology's requirement.
- The external CCT data is published and peer-reviewed, which meets GS's expectation for reliable data sources.
- MMECD v1.2 also requires that any source of data used for such parameters should be recent (not more than 3 years old). Assuming it falls within the acceptable age limit and was conducted in a timeframe close to the project's start date, it would satisfy the requirement.
- It is critical that the conditions under which the third-party CCT was carried out correspond closely to the project's context. The study was conducted in Nepal by PEEDA (a local energy/environment organization) under the MECS program and thus suggests it was context-specific; this shows that the cooking practices are relevant to Nepali households targeted by your project. The VVB shall pay special attention to this aspect during validation.

After careful review, GS **approves** the deviation request to use the specified third-party CCT data in lieu of conducting new CCTs for determining SCb, SCp, and Pb,i,j under MMECD v1.2 (Case 2). This approval is granted on the basis that the third-party study provides high-quality, relevant data that meets the methodology requirements.

#### 4.2.2 | Directions for the project developer/CME, if applicable

The approval is subject to the following conditions and requirements, which must be adhered to throughout the crediting period:

1. The PEEDA & MECS CCT study data must be directly applicable to the project's technology and target user group. The project developer shall document the comparison between study conditions and project conditions to confirm this alignment. Additionally, as noted above, the study data should be from within the last three years.

2. The project monitoring plan should clearly cite the source of the CCT data and describe the methodology of the PEEDA & MECS study. All relevant parameters (SC<sub>b</sub>, SC<sub>p</sub>, Pb<sub>i,j</sub>) used in calculations must be traceable to the study's published results. Include references to the publication and a summary of how the tests were conducted. This will facilitate a transparent review and enable stakeholders or auditors to understand that the CCT values come from a vetted external source rather than project-run tests.

3. This deviation approval is valid for the full current crediting period as requested. The values obtained from the third-party CCT will be considered fixed for the duration of this crediting period, consistent with how MMECD v1.2 treats these parameters (they are fixed ex-ante and not monitored continuously). However, at crediting period renewal, the project must revisit these parameters.

All other relevant requirements of the methodology and Gold Standard rules must be followed. This deviation is granted only for the substitution of the CCT data source. Other monitoring parameters and procedures (for example, metered energy use measurements, usage surveys, leakage monitoring, etc. as applicable in MMECD) must be implemented as per the methodology and the registered Monitoring Plan.

#### 4.2.3 | Directions for the Validation and Verification Body (VVB), if applicable

During the project's validation and first verification, the VVB shall audit the use of the third-party data. They will verify that the CCT was conducted according to the recognized protocol and that the results were correctly interpreted. The VVB must confirm that the values for SC<sub>b</sub> and SC<sub>p</sub> derived from the PEEDA & MECS study are applied conservatively and appropriately in the emission reduction calculations.

VVB shall cross-check, with methods available at their disposal, the project's compliance with all the requirements mentioned in section 4.2.2 above.

#### 4.2.4 | Directions for the Gold Standard, if applicable

NA

### 4.3 | Applicability to other activities

|                                                                                         |                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Is this decision applicable to other projects under similar circumstances? <sup>1</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|

<sup>1</sup> If this is marked yes, this means that any other project (PoA/VPA/PA) in similar situation may apply the decision of this deviation to their project as well. The project developer/VVB may quote this deviation decision in the relevant certification documents. This is relevant to only the projects which have already entered the certification cycle with GS4GG.

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| Does this decision set a precedent for future projects with similar circumstances? <sup>2</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
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Precedent details (if applicable to other activities)

NA

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<sup>2</sup> If this is marked yes, it means the decision is valid to all the future projects which will enter the certification cycle with the similar situation. This is relevant to all the projects which are not yet design certified with GS4GG or have not submitted their documents for preliminary review yet.

## 5| Deviation Request Details

*To be completed by the entity requesting deviation - (Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB)*

### 5.1 | Submitted by

- ☒ Project developer
- ☐ CME
- ☐ VVB
- ☐ Other (specify...)

### 5.2 | Details of the entity and its representative submitting the form

| Item                                                                                           | Information                                                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Name <sup>3</sup> :                                                                            | Shamil Sameer                                                          |
| Email ID <sup>4</sup> :                                                                        | ssameer@atecglobal.io                                                  |
| Organisation: <sup>5</sup>                                                                     | ATEC Australia-International Pty Ltd                                   |
| Are you an authorized project participant as per the cover letter submitted for this activity? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No |

### 5.3 | Background information

| Type                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project activity                                                                                                                                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> PoA GSXXXX       | <input type="checkbox"/> VPA                                                 |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GS ID                                  | GS12664                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | GS XXXX<br>GS XXXX                        | GS XXXX<br>GS XXXX                                                           |
| Host country(ies)                      | Nepal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                           |                                                                              |
| Project Title                          | Electric Cooking Program in Nepal by ATEC                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                           |                                                                              |
| Registry link                          | <a href="https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/4736">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/4736</a>                                                                                                        |                                           |                                                                              |
| Scale                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Microscale (GS)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small scale<br><input type="checkbox"/> Large scale<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other, if applicable please specify below<br><i>Insert text here</i> |                                           |                                                                              |
| Certification Status and corresponding | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Listed                                                                                                                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design | <input type="checkbox"/> Certified project<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other |

<sup>3</sup> Name of the individual representing the entity requesting the deviation

<sup>4</sup> Email ID for further correspondence related to the deviation request

<sup>5</sup> The name of the entity requesting the deviation

|                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                           |                              |                               |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| date of latest status           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                           |                              | <i>If other, specify here</i> |
|                                 | 29/10/2024                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | dd/mm/yyyy                                                                | dd/mm/yyyy                   | dd/mm/yyyy                    |
| Applied version of Standard     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GS4GG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                           |                              |                               |
|                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Previous version of Gold Standard                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Version no.                                                               |                              |                               |
|                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 1.0                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 1.1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1.2  |
|                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                           |                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 2.2  |
| Transition date, if applicable  | From previous GS version to GS4GG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                           | dd/mm/yyyy                   |                               |
|                                 | From another standard to GS4GG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                           | dd/mm/yyyy                   |                               |
|                                 | Name of another standard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> CDM                                              |                              |                               |
|                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>Name of the Standard – Insert text here |                              |                               |
| Applicable activity requirement | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewable Energy Activity Requirements<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Services Activity Requirements<br><input type="checkbox"/> Land-use and Forests Activity Requirements<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>Insert name here |                                                                           |                              |                               |

## 5.4 | Project deviation history

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| Is there any deviation request(s) for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s) that was submitted to GS previously? If yes, below information.                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                            |
| Reference number                                                                                                                                                                     | Insert Text here                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Status of the deviation                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Rejected <input type="checkbox"/> Under review                                                                                         |
| Were there any findings (CL, CAR, FAR) raised during any certification step (preliminary review, design and/or performance review etc.) that are relevant to this deviation request? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><br><b>Summary of the findings</b><br>Summary of the CL, CAR, FAR not more than 200 words. Include reference to document, page number |

## 6 | Deviation detail

*To be completed by the entity requesting deviation (Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB)*

**6.1 | Standard document reference**

|                             |           |                                                           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Standard document reference | Title     | METHODOLOGY FOR METERED & MEASURED ENERGY COOKING DEVICES |
|                             | Version   | V 1.2                                                     |
|                             | Paragraph | Section 3.11, MECD 7, MECD 8                              |

**6.2 | Description of the deviation**

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|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Title                                              | Deviation on CCT data source.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                           |
| Confirm the nature of changes related to deviation | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary<br>(e.g. not expected to occur beyond one monitoring period)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permanent<br>(e.g. deviation from requirements prior to submission for certification) |
|                                                    | The deviation is with regards to the CCT data source and will be applicable to the whole crediting period.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                           |
| Relevant monitoring period, if applicable          | Start date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | N/A                                                                                                                       |
|                                                    | End date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | N/A                                                                                                                       |
| Summarise the changes                              | <p>This project seeking deviation request from Gold standard is undergoing its electric stove implementation in host country Nepal and is using 'Methodology for Metered &amp; Measured Energy Cooking Devices V 1.2' Case-2 scenario for its Emission Reduction estimation. Hence, the project is required to conduct Controlled Cooking Tests (CCT) and use its results for the parameters 'SCb', 'SCp' and 'Pb,i,j'.</p> <p>As per the referred methodology requirements, Small scale and Large scale projects are required to perform a separate CCT and cannot use methodology default values or third party values. PD through this deviation request intends to deviate from this requirement and use CCT data from a validated third party CCT study, instead of performing new sets of CCTs in Nepal for this particular project.</p> |                                                                                                                           |
| Reason for deviation                               | <p>It is planned not to conduct a new CCT for the project from PD's end, to avoid duplication of efforts and cost for a new CCT and since the CCTs conducted by PEEDA aligns with the CCT protocols and requirements. Moreover, the baseline stove and induction stove used in the CCT conducted by PEEDA matches to the baseline stove and project stove of the project under implementation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                           |
| Proposed resolution                                | <p>The proposed resolution here is the use of CCT results from the CCT study conducted in Nepal as part of the '<i>Electric Cooking Outreach</i>' (ECO) pilot studies conducted in Nepal by PEEDA organization in collaboration with MECS.</p> <p>The CCT data planned to be taken from the third party study are:</p> <p>SCb-</p> <p>Firewood : 2.38 MJ/person/event</p> <p>LPG: 0.38 MJ/person/event</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                           |

|                                                                                                           | <p>SCp-</p> <p>Induction stove: 0.2808 MJ/person/event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These tests were conducted in accordance with the latest CCT protocol, covering common baseline stoves and electric cooking appliances.</li> <li>• The CCTs were based on the most commonly prepared dishes in Nepal, identified through direct consultation with local communities.</li> <li>• The tests were carried out independently by PEEDA and MECS, with no involvement from the project developer, ensuring objectivity in data collection.</li> <li>• The results have undergone a meta-analysis and validation process, and were included in the study <i>Scott, N. &amp; Leach, M. (2022)</i>, which is specifically referenced in the MMECD v1.2 methodology. Additionally, this study was peer-reviewed and published in the <i>Energies journal</i>, further supporting the credibility of the data.</li> <li>• The CCT results used here could be considered conservative as the SCb values are less than and SCp value is greater than that of the default values provided in the methodology.</li> </ul> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Stove</th><th>Specific energy consumption from PEEDA CCT in Nepal (MJ/person/event)</th><th>Methodology Default Specific energy consumption for Asia (MJ/person/event)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Firewood stove</td><td>2.38</td><td>2.83</td></tr> <tr> <td>LPG stove</td><td>0.38</td><td>0.69</td></tr> <tr> <td>Induction stove</td><td>0.2808</td><td>-</td></tr> <tr> <td>EPC</td><td>-</td><td>0.162</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | Stove                                                                      | Specific energy consumption from PEEDA CCT in Nepal (MJ/person/event) | Methodology Default Specific energy consumption for Asia (MJ/person/event) | Firewood stove | 2.38 | 2.83 | LPG stove | 0.38 | 0.69 | Induction stove | 0.2808 | - | EPC | - | 0.162 |
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| Stove                                                                                                     | Specific energy consumption from PEEDA CCT in Nepal (MJ/person/event)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Methodology Default Specific energy consumption for Asia (MJ/person/event) |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| Firewood stove                                                                                            | 2.38                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2.83                                                                       |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| LPG stove                                                                                                 | 0.38                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 0.69                                                                       |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| Induction stove                                                                                           | 0.2808                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | -                                                                          |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| EPC                                                                                                       | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0.162                                                                      |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| <p>Is there any potential temporary or permanent impact of deviation on other aspects of the project?</p> | <p>Select the relevant area:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Project design</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Local stakeholder consultation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Safeguarding principles</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SDG assessment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory compliance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Additionality</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicability of methodology</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Annual emission reduction volume (<i>if yes, fill the table below</i>)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Annual emission reduction/removal before applying deviation</th><th>Annual emission reduction/removal after applying deviation</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td><td> </td></tr> </tbody> </table>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Annual emission reduction/removal before applying deviation                | Annual emission reduction/removal after applying deviation            |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
| Annual emission reduction/removal before applying deviation                                               | Annual emission reduction/removal after applying deviation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                            |                                                                       |                                                                            |                |      |      |           |      |      |                 |        |   |     |   |       |
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|                       | N/A                                                          | N/A |
|                       |                                                              |     |
|                       | <input type="checkbox"/> any other matrix, please specify... |     |
| Summary of the impact | N/A                                                          |     |
| Insert text here      |                                                              |     |

### 6.3 | VVB information

|                                                            |                                                                     |
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| Is a VVB opinion on the deviation request required?<br>N/A | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|

### 6.4 | VVB's assessment

The below information is to be completed by VVB, if applicable.

|                                                 |                                         |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--|
| VVB's assessment of deviation request           | Please confirm the nature of deviation. |  |
| VVB's assessment of impact of deviation request |                                         |  |
| VVB recommendation                              |                                         |  |
| VVB details                                     | VVB name:                               |  |
|                                                 | Auditor name(s):                        |  |
|                                                 | Email (s):                              |  |

### 6.5 | Documents:

6.5.1 | List of documents provided (*note that once a decision has been made by Gold Standard, this deviation form will be made public on the Gold Standard website. Kindly refrain from including any confidential information in the form.*)

Document 1. CCT study report

Document 2.

Document n.

## DOCUMENT HISTORY

| VERSION<br>NUMBER | RELEASE DATE | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6.0               | 12.11.2024   | Editorial and structural changes to the template                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5.0               | 11.04.2022   | Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- date of listing, design certification, transition</li><li>- standard version</li><li>- specific reference to a requirement deviated from</li><li>- any previous deviations/design changes approved</li><li>- Guidance on VVB opinion</li></ul> |
| 4.0               | 14.01.2021   | Editorial changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3.0               | 16.07.2020   | Editorial changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2.0               | 03.05.2018   | Editorial changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1.0               | 01.07.2017   | Initial adoption                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |