

FORM

FORM - DEVIATION REQUEST SUBMISSION

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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 help@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 Secretariat

4.1 | General information

DEVIATION REFERENCE NUMBER	DEVRQ-446
Date of decision	26/06/2026
Decision	☐ Approved [No precondition to apply the deviation decision] ☒ Conditionally approved [Decision is subject to compliance with the precondition defined below] ☐ Not approved [reason for rejection is provided in decision summary]

4.2 | Decision

4.2.1 | Decision Summary

The deviation request is conditionally approved. Gold Standard accepts that the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation (LSC) for project GS23607 was not conducted prior to submission for Preliminary Review, subject to the conditions set out below.

- The physical LSC is scheduled for 3 July 2026, and the stakeholder feedback round shall be conducted in full accordance with Gold Standard Stakeholder Consultation and Engagement Requirements.
- The deviation is limited to the timing of the physical LSC relative to Preliminary Review submission.
- The completed stakeholder consultation report shall be submitted to Gold Standard before the conclusion of design review.

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

The project developer shall note that the decision is based on the information provided in the deviation request form and only against the applicable standard requirement quoted in the form below by the project developer. The project developer shall comply with all other applicable standard requirements until unless specifically mentioned in the deviation decision. The project developer shall document the deviation request, its implications, and GS' decision in the appropriate section of the project document.

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

The validating VVB shall, through appropriate means at disposal, evaluate the project's compliance with the above-mentioned conditions and provide VVB opinion in the validation report.

4.2.4 | Directions for the Gold Standard, if applicable

The review team shall check the information reported by the project developer and the VVB for appropriateness, accuracy and consistency.

4.3 | Applicability to other activities

Is this decision applicable to other projects under similar circumstances? ¹	☐ Yes ☒ No
Does this decision set a precedent for future projects with similar circumstances? ²	☐ Yes ☒ No
Precedent details (if applicable to other activities)	

¹ 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.

² 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

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 ³ :	Jos Kloosterman
Email ID ⁴ :	j.kloosterman@netwood.nl
Organisation: ⁵ :	Netwood Credits B.V.
Are you an authorized project participant as per the cover letter submitted for this activity?	☒ Yes ☐ No

5.3 | Background information

Type	☐ Project activity	☐ PoA GSXXXX	☐ VPA
GS ID	GS23607	GS XXXX GS XXXX	GS XXXX GS XXXX
Host country(ies)	The Netherlands		
Project Title	Insus: Recycling of End-of-Life Insulation Materials for Circular Insulation Production		
Registry link	https://assurance-platform.goldstandard.org/projects/4966		
Scale	☐ Microscale (GS) ☐ Small scale ☒ Large scale ☐ Other, if applicable please specify below <i>Insert text here</i>		

³ Name of the individual representing the entity requesting the deviation

⁴ Email ID for further correspondence related to the deviation request

⁵ The name of the entity requesting the deviation

Certification Status and corresponding date of latest status	☐ Listed	☐ Certified design ⁶	☐ Certified project ⁷	☒ Other <i>New</i>
	<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>	<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>	<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>	<i>Not set</i>
Applied version of Standard	☒ GS4GG			
	☐ Previous version of Gold Standard	Version no.		
		☐ 1.0	☐ 1.1	☐ 1.2
Transition date, if applicable	From previous GS version to GS4GG		<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>	
	From another standard to GS4GG		<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>	
	Name of another standard	☐ CDM		
		☐ Other Name of the Standard – Insert text here		
Applicable activity requirement	☐ Renewable Energy Activity Requirements ☐ Community Services Activity Requirements ☐ Land-use and Forests Activity Requirements ☐ Agriculture Activity Requirements ☐ Blue Carbon and Freshwater Wetlands Activity Requirements ☐ Engineered removals Activity Requirements ☒ Other <i>Solid waste treatment</i> <i>(under GS4GG applying AMS-III.AJ)</i>			

5.4 | Project deviation history

Is there any deviation request(s) for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s) that was submitted to GS previously? If yes, below information.			☐ Yes ☒ No
Reference number	Insert Text here		
Status of the deviation	☐ Approved	☐ Rejected	☐ 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?	☒ Yes ☐ No		
	Summary of the findings During the Completeness Check of the Preliminary Review submission, Gold Standard noted that the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation (LSC) had not yet been conducted at the time of submission. Gold Standard requested that an official deviation		

⁶ Design certification date

⁷ Date of first issuance approval by Gold Standard

	request be submitted regarding the timing of the LSC relative to the Preliminary Review submission requirements.
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6| Deviation detail

6.1 | Standard document reference

Standard document reference	Title	Preliminary Review Requirements and Procedure
	Version	Current applicable version
	Paragraph	Section 5.1.1(a) and Section 2.1.2

6.2 | Description of the deviation

Title	Timing of Physical Local Stakeholder Consultation Prior to Preliminary Review	
Confirm the nature of changes related to deviation	☐ Temporary (e.g. not expected to occur beyond one monitoring period)	☒ Permanent (e.g. deviation from requirements prior to submission for certification)
Relevant monitoring period, if applicable	Start date	Dd/mm/yyyy
	End date	Dd/mm/yyyy
	☒ NA	
Summarise the changes	The Project Developer requests a deviation from the requirement under Section 5.1.1(a) and Section 2.1.2 of the Gold Standard Preliminary Review Requirements and Procedure that the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation (LSC) shall be conducted prior to submission of the Preliminary Review. At the time of Preliminary Review submission, the physical LSC had not yet taken place. However, the stakeholder consultation process had already been formally initiated and planned. The physical LSC is scheduled for 3 July 2026 at the Insus facility in Duiven, the Netherlands. Relevant stakeholders have been invited at least 30 days in advance, and the consultation process has been disclosed through the project documentation. The deviation concerns only the timing of the physical LSC relative to Preliminary Review submission and does not seek exemption from conducting the Local Stakeholder Consultation or any other stakeholder engagement requirements. The Project Developer commits to completing the physical LSC, stakeholder feedback round, stakeholder consultation reporting and all associated stakeholder engagement requirements prior to validation.	

Reason for deviation	During project development, the project underwent methodological refinement to ensure full alignment with AMS-III.AJ as the sole applicable methodology under Gold Standard. The Project Developer considered it important that stakeholders be consulted on the final project design, final methodology selection, baseline approach and monitoring framework. Conducting the consultation after completion of the methodological alignment ensures that stakeholders receive complete and accurate project information and are able to provide meaningful feedback on the final project configuration. The requested deviation is therefore intended to improve the quality, relevance and transparency of stakeholder engagement. No irreversible project activities have commenced as a consequence of the requested deviation, and no stakeholder group is disadvantaged by the revised timing of the consultation process and no stakeholder rights or interests are adversely affected by the requested timing deviation. Stakeholders retain full opportunity to participate in the consultation process, provide comments and influence project implementation in accordance with Gold Standard stakeholder engagement principles.
Proposed resolution	The Project Developer commits to the following actions: • Conduct the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation on 3 July 2026; • Complete the stakeholder feedback round in accordance with Gold Standard requirements; • Maintain public availability of relevant project information throughout the stakeholder engagement process; • Prepare and submit a final Stakeholder Consultation Report including attendance records, meeting minutes, photographic evidence, stakeholder comments and documented responses; • Transparently address and incorporate stakeholder feedback where relevant into the final project documentation; • Ensure that all stakeholder consultation requirements are fully completed prior to validation. The proposed resolution preserves the intent and objectives of the Gold Standard stakeholder engagement requirements. Stakeholders will continue to have full opportunity to participate in the consultation process and provide feedback. The requested deviation affects timing only and does not reduce transparency, stakeholder participation, completeness, conservativeness or the quality of stakeholder engagement.
Is there any potential temporary or permanent impact of deviation on other aspects of the project?	Select the relevant area: ☐ Project design ☒ Local stakeholder consultation ☐ Safeguarding principles ☐ SDG assessment ☐ Regulatory compliance

	☐ Additionality ☐ Applicability of methodology ☐ Annual emission reduction volume <i>(if yes, fill the table below)</i>				
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	☐ any other matrix, please specify... ☒ NA				
Summary of the impact	The requested deviation only affects the timing of the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation relative to Preliminary Review submission. The deviation does not affect project design, methodology applicability, additionality assessment, safeguarding principles, SDG contributions, monitoring arrangements, emission reduction calculations or regulatory compliance. Stakeholders will continue to have full opportunity to participate in the consultation process, provide comments and receive documented responses. The objectives of stakeholder engagement, transparency and accountability remain fully preserved. As the physical LSC, stakeholder feedback round and final stakeholder consultation reporting will be completed prior to validation, no material adverse impact is expected as a result of the requested deviation.				

6.3 | VVB information

Is a VVB opinion on the deviation request required? <i>VVB opinion shall be included, where required by the requirements under Deviations Request Requirements and Procedures or request is submitted by the VVB.</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒ <i>If answer is yes, fill the information in section 6.4 below.</i>
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6.4 | VVB's assessment

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):	
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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. T-PreReview_V2.0-Stakeholder-Consultation-Report 02-06-2026

Document 2.

Document n.

DOCUMENT HISTORY

VERSION NUMBER	RELEASE DATE	DESCRIPTION
6.1	15.05.2026	Editorial and structural changes to the template
6.0	12.11.2024	Editorial and structural changes to the template
5.0	11.04.2022	Additional information added: - date of listing, design certification, transition - standard version - specific reference to a requirement deviated from - any previous deviations/design changes approved - Guidance on VVB opinion
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