

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 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-450
Date of decision	23/06/2026
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 has been approved for the delayed submission of the annual report for the 2024 verification period. The project developer must submit the annual reports to the Assurance Platform as soon as possible.

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

The project developer shall establish and implement a process/procedure to ensure that Annual Reports are submitted annually, no later than the end of the year.

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

The verifying VVB shall verify compliance with this requirement in the verification report, as stipulated in the applicable version of Principles & Requirements.

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
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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.

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

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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

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 ³ :	Batuhan Öztürk
Email ID ⁴ :	batuhanozturk@nasenerji.com.tr
Organisation: ⁵	Baki Elektrik Uretim Limited
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	GS351 GSXXXX	GS XXXX GS XXXX	GS XXXX GS XXXX
Host country(ies)	Türkiye		
Project Title	Samli Wind Power Project, Türkiye		
Registry link	https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1649		
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>If other, specify here</i>
	dd/mm/yyyy	dd/mm/yyyy	30/06/2014	dd/mm/yyyy
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		dd/mm/yyyy	
	From another standard to GS4GG		dd/mm/yyyy	
	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>Insert name here</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 <i>Summary of the CL, CAR, FAR not more than 200 words. Include reference to document, page number</i>		

⁶ Design certification date

⁷ Date of first issuance approval by Gold Standard

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	Principles and Requirements
	Version	V2.1
	Paragraph	Para 5.1.39

6.2 | Description of the deviation

Title	Delayed Annual Reporting of Remaining December 2024 Monitoring Data		
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	12/12/2024	
	End date	31/12/2024	
	☐ NA		
Summarise the changes	The deviation concerns the timing of the annual reporting of the December 2024 monitoring data (from 12/12/2024 to 31/12/2024), which was not included in the previous annual report. The previous annual report covered the period from 01/02/2023 to 11/12/2024 and was uploaded to the Gold Standard Assurance Platform on 10/01/2025. Consequently, only the period from "12/12/2024 to 31/12/2024" remained outside the scope of that annual report. The remaining December 2024 monitoring data was subsequently included in Annual Report No. 2, which covered the consolidated reporting period from 01/12/2024 to 31/12/2025. Accordingly, the deviation is limited to the delayed submission of the monitoring information for the remaining 20 days of December 2024.		
Reason for deviation	The previous annual report was prepared for the period from 01/02/2023 to 11/12/2024 and was uploaded to the Gold Standard Assurance Platform on 10/01/2025. The monthly electricity generation data used for annual reporting is finalised and made available during the second week of the following month. Therefore, the complete electricity generation data for December 2024 was not expected to be available until approximately 15/01/2025. However, waiting for the finalisation of the full December 2024 data would have delayed the submission of the annual report covering the preceding reporting period. To avoid such a delay, the previous annual report was		

submitted on 10/01/2025 using the monitoring data available at that time and therefore covered the period only until 11/12/2024.

The Project Developer and project consultant understood, based on the example table provided in the Annual Report template that the remaining December 2024 information could be included in the subsequent annual report and submitted by the end of 2026. This interpretation was based particularly on the final example in the table, which was understood to indicate that where the last annual report covers a period extending into the following year, the subsequent annual report is due by the end of the next calendar year.

The relevant example table from the Annual Report template is presented below for reference.

For example:

Examples - Project Status	Annual report submission
No monitoring report submitted yet, project start date in 2019	by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 January 2019	by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 December 2019	by end of 2020
Verification report submitted for monitoring period 01 June 2018 to 31 May 2019	for 01 June 2019 to 31 December 2020 by end of 2020
Last monitoring period end: 01 December 2019, last annual report covering 01 December 2019 to 01 December 2020	by end of 2021

Following Gold Standard's completeness check feedback, the Project Developer understands that this interpretation was incorrect and that the remaining monitoring information relating to the 2024 monitoring year was required to be submitted by 31/12/2025, in accordance with Section 5.1.39 of the GS4GG Principles and Requirements.

The delay was administrative in nature and was not intentional. It did not arise from any deficiency in project implementation, monitoring activities, stakeholder engagement, regulatory compliance or the availability of project records.

The remaining December 2024 monitoring information was reported together with the complete 2025 monitoring information in a single consolidated annual report in order to maintain the continuity, completeness and consistency of the project's monitoring records.

Proposed resolution

The Project Developer respectfully requests Gold Standard's retrospective acceptance of the late submission of the remaining monitoring information for the period from 12/12/2024 to 31/12/2024, as included in Annual Report No. 2.

The Project Developer further requests that Annual Report No. 2, covering the consolidated reporting period from 01/12/2024 to 31/12/2025, be accepted.

The Project Developer confirms that:

	• All relevant monitoring data for December 2024 and the calendar year 2025 has been fully reported in the submitted annual report; • The delayed submission did not result in the omission, alteration or loss of any monitored data; • The monitoring information remains complete, traceable and consistent with the project's monitoring records; and • the delay had no impact on project implementation, monitoring, emission reduction calculations or the environmental integrity of the project. For subsequent monitoring periods, annual reports will be submitted in accordance with the applicable monitoring year deadlines defined under Section 5.1.39 of the GS4GG Principles and Requirements, in order to ensure full compliance. In light of the above, the Project Developer respectfully requests Gold Standard to accept this temporary deviation and the consolidated annual report already submitted.						
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> <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>XYZ tCO₂e</td><td>XYZ tCO₂e</td></tr> <tr> <td></td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> ☐ any other matrix, please specify... ☒ NA	Annual emission reduction/removal before applying deviation	Annual emission reduction/removal after applying deviation	XYZ tCO ₂ e	XYZ tCO ₂ e		
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Summary of the impact	Describe the impact of the deviation on each relevant aspect of the project as selected above. Please substantiate the impact assessment with relevant and verifiable data/information.						
Insert text here							

6.3 | VVB information

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

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. GS351_Project-Annual-Report_02.2023-12.2024.pdf

Document 2. GS351_Project-Annual-Report_12.2024-12.2025.pdf

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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