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 Secratariat*

## 4.1 | General information

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| DEVIATION REFERENCE NUMBER | DEVRQ-477 |
| Date of decision | 24/07/2026 |
| Decision | ☐ **Approved** [No precondition to apply the deviation decision]<br>☒ **Conditionally approved** [Decision is subject to compliance with the precondition defined below]<br>☐ **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 GS23610 was not conducted prior to submission for Preliminary Review, subject to the conditions set out below.

- The physical LSC is scheduled for 31 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

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| Is this decision applicable to other projects under similar circumstances?[1] | ☐ Yes<br>☒ No |
| Does this decision set a precedent for future projects with similar circumstances?[2] | ☐ Yes<br>☒ 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<br>☐ No |

## 5.3 | Background information

| Type | ☐ Project activity | ☐ PoA GSXXXX | ☐ VPA |
|---|---|---|---|
| GS ID | *GS23610* | *GS XXXX*<br>*GS XXXX* | *GS XXXX*<br>*GS XXXX* |
| Host country(ies) | The Netherlands | | |
| Project Title | CRC: Mechanical processing of Fiber-Reinforced Thermosets for material reuse | | |
| Registry link | https://assurance-platform.goldstandard.org/projects/GS23610/ | | |
| Scale | ☐ Microscale (GS)<br>☒ Small scale<br>☐ Large scale<br>☐ Other, if applicable please specify below<br>*Insert text here* | | |

[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

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| Certification Status and corresponding date of latest status | ☐ Listed | ☐ Certified design[6] | ☐ Certified project[7] | ☒ Other<br>*New* |
| | *dd/mm/yyyy* | *dd/mm/yyyy* | *dd/mm/yyyy* | *Not set* |

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| Applied version of Standard | ☒ GS4GG | | | |
| | ☐ Previous version of Gold Standard | Version no. | | |
| | | ☐ 1.0 | ☐ 1.1 | ☐ 1.2 | ☐ 2.2 |

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| 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<br>Name of the Standard – Insert text here |

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| Applicable activity requirement | ☐ Renewable Energy Activity Requirements<br>☐ Community Services Activity Requirements<br>☐ Land-use and Forests Activity Requirements<br>☐ Agriculture Activity Requirements<br><br>☐ Blue Carbon and Freshwater Wetlands Activity Requirements<br>☐ Engineered removals Activity Requirements<br>☒ Other<br>*Solid waste treatment*<br>*(under GS4GG applying AMS-III.AJ)* |

## 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. | | | ☐ Yes<br>☒ No |
| Reference number | Insert Text here | | |
| Status of the deviation | ☐ Approved | ☐ Rejected | ☐ Under review |

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| 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<br>**Summary of the findings**<br>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 the Project Developer to |

[6] Design certification date
[7] Date of first issuance approval by Gold Standard

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| | submit an official deviation request regarding the timing of the Local Stakeholder Consultation relative to the Preliminary Review submission and to provide the approved deviation before the Preliminary Review can proceed. |

# 6| Deviation detail

## 6.1 | Standard document reference

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

## 6.2 | Description of the deviation

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| Title | Timing of Physical Local Stakeholder Consultation Prior to Preliminary Review | |
| Confirm the nature of changes related to deviation | ☐ Temporary<br>(e.g. not expected to occur beyond one monitoring period) | ☒ Permanent<br>(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 requiring that the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation (LSC) is conducted prior to submission of the Preliminary Review.<br>At the time of submitting the Preliminary Review, the physical LSC had not yet taken place. However, the stakeholder consultation process has already been initiated. The physical Local Stakeholder Consultation is scheduled for **31 July 2026** at the CRC facility in Botlek, Rotterdam, the Netherlands. Relevant stakeholders have been invited at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting in accordance with Gold Standard requirements.<br>This deviation relates solely to the timing of the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation relative to the Preliminary Review submission. It does not seek exemption from conducting the Local Stakeholder Consultation, the stakeholder feedback round, or any other stakeholder engagement requirement.<br>Following completion of the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation and closure of the stakeholder feedback round, the Stakeholder Consultation Report will be completed and updated with all required evidence, including attendance records, stakeholder comments, responses, meeting minutes and photographic evidence. The | |

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| | completed Stakeholder Consultation Report will be uploaded to the Assurance Platform and incorporated into the project documentation before submission of the Project Design Document (PDD) for validation. |
| Reason for deviation | During project development, the Project Developer aims to obtain early confirmation from Gold Standard that the selected methodology, project boundary and project eligibility are acceptable before completing the Local Stakeholder Consultation.<br><br>Conducting the Preliminary Review first reduces the risk that stakeholders are consulted on a project design that may subsequently require substantial revisions following Gold Standard feedback. This approach helps ensure that stakeholders receive accurate, complete and final project information, allowing them to provide meaningful comments on the final project configuration.<br><br>This deviation avoids unnecessary consultation on project documentation that may still change as a result of Preliminary Review comments. Stakeholders will therefore be consulted on a more mature and stable project design, increasing the quality and usefulness of the consultation process.<br><br>The requested deviation therefore improves the effectiveness, transparency and quality of stakeholder engagement without reducing stakeholder participation or rights. No stakeholder group is disadvantaged by the revised timing. All stakeholders will retain the opportunity to participate in the consultation process, submit comments and influence the final project documentation in accordance with the Gold Standard stakeholder engagement requirements. |
| Proposed resolution | The Project Developer commits to the following actions:<br>• Conduct the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation on 31 July 2026;<br>• Complete the stakeholder feedback round in accordance with Gold Standard requirements;<br>• Complete and update the Stakeholder Consultation Report after the consultation and feedback period have concluded;<br>• Upload the completed Stakeholder Consultation Report, including attendance records, meeting minutes, stakeholder comments, responses, invitations and photographic evidence, to the Assurance Platform before submission of the Project Design Document (PDD) for validation;<br>• Incorporate any relevant stakeholder feedback into the Project Design Document and associated project documentation where applicable;<br>• Ensure that all Gold Standard stakeholder consultation requirements have been fully completed prior to validation.<br>The requested deviation only concerns the timing of the Local Stakeholder Consultation relative to the Preliminary Review |

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<tr><td></td><td>submission. It does not reduce transparency, stakeholder participation, conservativeness or compliance with Gold Standard requirements.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Is there any potential temporary or permanent impact of deviation on other aspects of the project?</td><td>Select the relevant area:<br>☐ Project design<br>☒ Local stakeholder consultation<br>☐ Safeguarding principles<br>☐ SDG assessment<br>☐ Regulatory compliance<br>☐ Additionality<br>☐ Applicability of methodology<br>☐ Annual emission reduction volume (if yes, fill the table below)<br><br><table><tr><th>Annual emission reduction/removal before applying deviation</th><th>Annual emission reduction/ removal after applying deviation</th></tr><tr><td>XYZ $tCO_2e$</td><td>XYZ $tCO_2e$</td></tr></table><br>☐ any other matrix, please specify…<br>☒ NA</td></tr>
<tr><td>Summary of the impact</td><td>The requested deviation only affects the timing of the physical Local Stakeholder Consultation relative to Preliminary Review submission.<br><br>The deviation does not affect project design, methodology applicability, additionality assessment, safeguarding principles, SDG contributions, monitoring arrangements, emission reduction calculations or regulatory compliance.<br><br>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.<br><br>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.</td></tr>
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## 6.3 | VVB information

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

## 6.4 | VVB's assessment

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| 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. 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:<br>- date of listing, design certification, transition<br>- standard version<br>- specific reference to a requirement deviated from<br>- any previous deviations/design changes approved<br>- 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 |