

TEMPLATE

DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

PUBLICATION DATE **14.1.2021**

Version **4.0**

A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1| Decision

1.1 | Date – 03/12/2021

1.2 | Decision

The applied deviation request is **not approved**. The Gold Standard requirements are that the projects that were under the listing or validation process at the time of launch of GS4GG (01/07/2017) can request for registration/design review with the applied version of the standard before 23/11/2021. The project developer failed to meet this deadline. The GS secretariat and TAC does not consider reasons provided by the PD sufficient justification for granting an extension to the submission deadline.

1.3 | Is this decision applicable to other project activities under similar circumstances?

No

B. To be completed by the Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB requesting deviation (Submit deviation request form in Microsoft Word format)

2| Background information

Deviation Reference Number	DEV_193	
Date of decision	03/12/2021	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	04/10/2011	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS2683
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	SİBEL WPP	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies)	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale - Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/468	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input type="checkbox"/> Certified project	
Title/subject of deviation	Request for Extension of completion of Validation	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology and version number	TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS 2.1.4 and 3.1.12	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date	End date
Submitted by	Contact person name:	
	Email ID:kemal@gte.com.tr	
	Organisation: GTE KARBON	
	Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Validation and Verification body (VVB opinion shall be included, where required by the applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> If yes; VVB name: NA	

	Auditor name:
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3| Deviation detail

3.0 | Description of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe the deviation and substantiate the reason for requesting deviation from applicable rules/requirements. Please include all relevant information in support of the request. You are requested to follow the principles for requesting deviations, given in the [Deviation Approval Procedure/ Design Change Requirements](#).*

3.0.0 | Deviation detail (to be completed by Project developer):

LSC for the proposed project has been organized on 30/10/2013 and listed on 27/06/2014. Project was initially planned to be operational in 2015. Due to delays in completion of permissions, later due to repossession to the company management after coup attempt in 2016 by the government, investment process has could not be initiated. Meantime, general manager of the company has changed several times and turbine agreement could be signed in 10/10/2019 and project has been fully operational by 05/08/2021. Agreement with DOE has been signed in March 2021 for this project with Re-Carbon.

Validation has started and ongoing for the Sibel WPP however, due to the COVID and limited capacity of DOEs, it is not possible to finalize the validation before 23/11/2021. Also, since the company is now managed by a public agency (Saving Deposit and Insurance Fund of Turkey-TMSF), decision making is subject to several approval processes.

As per the rules of GS4GG to finalize validations before 23/11/2017, project owner and developer request additional time for finalizing the validation until 01/08/2022.

Milestones are given below;

- 30/10/2013- LSC Meeting
- 27/06/2014- Listing project
- 15/10/2016-Coup attempt
- 12/08/2018-Respossession to company management by Government
- 10/10/2019-Turbine Agreement
- 13/04/2020- DOE Validation offer Request

- 03/03/2021- Validation agreement with DOE
- 05/08/2021-Provisional acceptance of all turbines
- 26/04/2018-Change in partnership structure

3.0.1 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

The provided information by PP seems correct but these will be checked in detail during the course of validation. The deviation request seems logical and valid by the VVB and there hasn't been any expected significant adverse impact on the project. Therefore, VVB supports the mentioned deviation request proposed by the PP.

3.1 | Assessment of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe how the deviation complies with the requirements, and, where applicable, the accuracy, completeness and conservativeness is ensured. Please include all relevant information in support of the request.*

3.1.0 | Deviation assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

Although the project was initially planned to be commissioned in 2015, due to the reasons explained in section 3.1.1, provisional acceptance of the project could be made on 05/08/2021.

Project validation and calculations could not be initiated until final plant layout (type and capacity of turbines etc) is decided. Generation license has been amended around 15 times due to change in turbine types, grid connection point, license period, partners (see Annex I generation license).

Validation agreement has been signed in march 2021. However, validation process is going on. Due to the rules to finalize validation by 23/11/2021, We request additional time to finalize registration process.

3.1.1 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

The deviation request seems logical and valid by the VVB and there hasn't been any expected significant adverse impact on the project. Therefore, VVB supports the mentioned deviation request proposed by the PP.

3.2 | Impact of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe the impact of the deviation on project design, safeguarding principles assessment, SDG assessment, emissions reductions, monitoring frequency, data quality, potential risk or any other relevant aspect of the project. Please substantiate the impact assessment with relevant and verifiable data/information.*

3.2.0 | Impact assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

Project will not impact safeguarding or SDG assessment as the LSC meeting has been made and LSC report is approved by GS. Project is being developed as per the GS4GG requirements.

3.2.1 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

The deviation request seems logical and valid by the VVB and there hasn't been any expected significant adverse impact on the project. Therefore, VVB supports the mentioned deviation request proposed by the PP.

3.3 | Documents:

**Guidance* List of documents provided (note that once a decision has been made by Gold Standard, this deviation form along with supporting documents will be made public on the Gold Standard website. If any of the supporting documents are confidential, please indicate here to ensure they are omitted.)*

- **Annex 1- Generation License (to see amendments in project design and partnership structure. See pages 3-9)**
- **Annex 2- Provisional Acceptance Cover Page**