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TEMPLATE

# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1 | Decision

**1.1 | Date** – 19/11/2021

#### **1.2 | Decision**

The deviation request is not approved since no valid reasons were provided to justify granting of an extension. The project developer must comply with paras 2.1.4 and 3.1.12 of the [Transition Requirements](#).

**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_199	
Date of decision	19/11/2021	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	02/11/2021	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS1308
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	Germiyan 9.6 MW Wind Power Project, Turkey	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Turkey	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	<a href="https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/178">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/178</a>	
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	Registration Deadline Exemption	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology and version number	AMS-I.D Version 18.0	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	-	
Submitted by	Contact person name: Ferit Arsan	
	Email ID: <a href="mailto:arsanferit@gmail.com">arsanferit@gmail.com</a>	
	Organisation: Güral Porselen Tur. Ve Vitrikiye San. A.Ş.	
	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>  If yes; VVB name:  Auditor name:	

## 3 | Deviation detail

### 3.1 | 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](#).*

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

Our Project, GS1308 Germiyan 9.6 MW Wind Power Project has been listed on the Gold Standard registry in 2013. However, due to various problems stemming from the zoning plan of the project, the project has not been able to start electricity generation. Significant points regarding the project (such as the number and the location of turbines) are all dependent on the finalisation of the zoning plan. Due to this reason, in order to commence action in respect to the project (such as the preparations of PDD during the validation stage), waiting for the finalisation of the zoning plan was necessary. Germiyan WPP has 3 turbines and after the problems related to the zoning plan were resolved, the first turbine was commissioned on 23/10/2020. That is, the date in which the project started generating electricity was 23/10/2020. Germiyan WPP has signed an agreement with the VVB and started the validation process after it began generating electricity. All things considered, it can be seen that the project does not lack anything in terms of carbon certification and upon the finalisation of the zoning plan, everything proceeded in an orderly fashion. However, even though the project is running its validation process at the moment, the deadline specified in the GS4GG TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS document published by Gold Standard in 16/08/2021 (version 2.0) puts a strain on the project owner because there are currently only two active VVBs (ReCarbon and RINA) with offices located in Turkey and both of these VVBs have insufficient amounts of local experts running voluntary projects. Due to the pandemic, they could not increase their capacity and presently, they have way too many projects they need to provide services for. Due to everything mentioned above, offers were requested from VVBs located outside of Turkey, however in consequence of similar work densities, they have also fallen behind with their service proposals and the start of the validation process of the project owner has taken up too much time.

We kindly request, with this deviation request form, an exemption from the articles 3.1.12(a) and 3.1.12(b) of the Gold Standard TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS (publication date: 16/08/2021, version:2.0) document. This way, the project validation process will continue without being liable to any sort of time limitation and the documentary evidences that can be found in the aforementioned Gold Standard document.

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

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### 3.2 | 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.*

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

According to the rules of GS, such Projects/PoAs must have engaged a VVB and shall submit the request for registration/design review before 23/11/2021. If our request is accepted, the project will complete its validation process without being liable to the 23/11/2021 deadline and without submitting the documentary evidences that are requested by GS and get successfully registered to Gold Standard.

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

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**3.3 | 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.*

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

In the case of the project being liable to the articles 3.1.12(a) and 3.1.12(b) of the Gold Standard TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS (publication date: 16/08/2021) document, it will lose its right to get registered to Gold Standard due to not being able to complete all the documents required until the specified date (23/11/2021) by the reason of VVBs' work densities despite having started electricity generation quite recently and having completed all the necessary procedures in terms of carbon certification.

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

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**3.4 | 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.)*