

TEMPLATE

# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1| Decision

**1.1 | Date – 23/12/2022**

**1.2 | Decision**

The deviation has been APPROVED considering that the project developer has shown continuous activities since start of the project.

However, the PD must ensure to submit the Annual Reports in future, latest by end of the following year as stipulated in Principles & Requirements - Version 1.2 § 5.1.39 to 5.1.44.

**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_331	
Date of decision	23/12/2022	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	23/11/2022	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS367
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	CATALCA WIND POWER PROJECT	
Date of listing	22/02/2021	
GS Standard version applicable	GS4GG	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)	-	
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)	-	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	27/08/2008	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Turkey, Istanbul	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale <input type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	<a href="https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1650">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1650</a>	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Project	
Title/subject of deviation	Monitoring Period Extension	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	ACM0002 Version 17.0	

Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date 17/03/2018      End date 17/03/2021
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	Organisation: Sanko Enerji Sanayi ve Ticaret 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:  VVB Staff name(s):
Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 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):

The Project's registration under GS dates back to 27/08/2008. Since then, Catalca WPP has undergone four performance certifications, one design change and one crediting period renewal process. The Project Activity has been actively involved in the GS certification processes and still complied with all necessary GS rules and requirements to avoid losing certification rights. And on 25/09/2020, the Project Proponent signed a VVB agreement to conduct its fifth performance certification, and since then, the project activity has been trying to complete its fifth performance certification. The GS4GG transition was approved for this Project Activity on 22 Feb 2021. As per GS4GG principles & requirements, An annual report shall be submitted for each monitoring year by the end of the next calendar year for which verification is not completed. The fifth monitoring period of the project activity includes the years 2018, 2019 and 2020 and an annual report of vintage 2018-2020 by the end of 2021 is required. However, the

project activity could not submit the annual reports for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020 in time. With this deviation request, the project proponent requests to submit the due annual reports in 2022.

The Project Activity monitors the relevant SDG contributions and aligns with the Safeguarding Principles and Requirements for 2018, 2019 and 2020, too; this issue regarding the no submission of the Annual Report in time jeopardizes the successful and timely completion of the performance certification process and, subsequently, the issuance of credits.

Considering the continuous activities that have been carried out since the Project's beginning, we hope that submission of annual reports for years 2018, 2019 and 2020 now in 2022 will not cause any negative outcome for the Project. Unfortunately, the PD was not fully aware of the importance of the Annual Report but is now considering it imperative. Therefore, PD will submit due Annual Reports latest by the end of the following year as stipulated in Principles & Requirements in the future.

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

*\*Guidance\* If required by SustainCERT or Gold Standard for this particular deviation, please add here the VVB's opinion.*

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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):

Since the Project is one of the first and oldest registered GS renewable energy projects in Turkey, carbon certification plays an important role in the future sustainability plans of the project proponent and the further deployment of renewable energy projects in the region. The Project has been pioneering and guiding other renewable projects in the

country. Relevant GS rules and requirements have been complied with since 2008, and the necessary assistance to project stakeholders has been continuously provided and continues to be provided.

The Project has continued to monitor the relevant SDG contributions for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020. The Project has also continued to align with the Safeguarding Principles and Requirements for 2018, 2019 and 2020. Moreover, the deviation does not affect the additionality and does not affect the project design.

### 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):

The Project monitors the relevant monitoring parameters from 2018 to 2021. The Project also monitors the relevant SDG contributions from 2018 to 2021. The Project aligns with the Safeguarding Principles and Requirements from 2018 to 2021. Moreover, the deviation does not affect the additionality, and the deviation does not also affect the project design.

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

*\*Guidance\* If required by SustainCERT or Gold Standard for this particular deviation, please add here the VVB's opinion.*

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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.)*

Version number	Release date	Description
5	11.04.2022	Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- date of listing, design certification, transition</li> <li>- standard version</li> <li>- specific reference to a requirement deviated from</li> <li>- any previous deviations/design changes approved</li> </ul> Guidance on VVB opinion
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption