

TEMPLATE

DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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Version **5.0**

A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – dd/mm/yyyy

19/04/2023

1.2 | Decision

The deviation related to the delayed in full payment (including taxes) of the invoice is **approved** considering that all documents were submitted on time and the request for invoice has been done within the timeline and that at the moment of requesting this deviation the invoice has been paid.

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_392	
Date of decision	19/04/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	28/03/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS11243
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	ComBio Renewable Biomass Project - Piracicaba	
Date of listing	Not applicable	
GS Standard version applicable	GS4GG	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)	Not applicable	
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)	Not applicable	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	Not applicable	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Brazil	
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	https://platform.sustain-cert.com/public-project/2471	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input type="checkbox"/> Certified project	
Title/subject of deviation	Delay of payment for preliminary review fee	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	Gold Standard Principle and Requirements Version 1.2 paragraph 5.1.51	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date N/A End date N/A	
Submitted by	Contact person name: Roberto de Carvalho Vêras Junior	
	Email ID: roberto.veras@combioenergia.com.br	
	Organisation: Combio Energia S.A Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

<p>Validation and Verification body (VVB opinion shall be included, where required by the applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes; VVB name:</p> <p>VVB Staff name(s):</p>
<p>Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>

3 | Deviation detail

3.1 | Description of the deviation:

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

The project start date is 03/07/2020, thus the deadline for the project submission was 03/07/2021. The Terms and Conditions together with the Project Documentation were submitted in 03/07/2021 according to the deadline. However, the Preliminary Review fee invoice was issued in 04/07/2021 with due date 10/07/2021. Payment was done on 10/07/2021, but USD 45 was missing because of a lack of understanding of taxes and fees involved. The total payment took place on 22/07/2021. The project developer seek deviation to continue the project.

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

Not applicable.

3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

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

The project developer submitted the documents and terms and conditions signed in Sustain-Cert platform according to the process deadline, which was 03/07/2021. The invoice was issued on 04/07/2021 with due date 10/07/2021. An e-mail was received from finance@sustain-cert.com on 09/07/2021 stating that preliminary review of the project was 16/07/2021, thus the payment on 10/07/2021 was in compliance with the Principles and Requirements. The payment was done accordingly, but because of a lack of understanding of fee and taxes discount USD 45 were missing. After exchanging e-mails with finance@sustain-cert.com the payment of the missing USD

45 was arranged to be held on 22/07/2021. Within this scope we would like to seek deviation for the acceptance of the late payment due to lack of understanding and communication errors, what, by no means, affect the project integrity.

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

Not applicable

3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

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

The project design, assessment of safeguarding principles and SDGs, reduction of emissions, monitoring frequency, data quality, potential risks, and other relevant aspects of the project are not expected to be negatively impacted.

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

Not applicable.

3.4 | Documents:

Version number	Release date	Description
1	27.03.2023	E-mails history
1	27.03.2023	Invoice issued in 04.10.2023