

TEMPLATE

DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 Decision

1.1 | Date - 22/05/2023

1.2 | Decision

The deviation request is approved for the stated monitoring period. The project developer may continue with their verification process.

The project developer shall:

- a. Ensure continuity in the Project's monitoring activities is maintained and PD is able to justify that no monitoring gaps exist (especially for SDG parameters) within the Monitoring Period(s). However, if gap(s) exist, the project shall justify that conservative approach(es) have been applied in line with section 3 of the Deviation Approval Requirements and Procedures and overarching GS principles (as applicable).
- b. Document the deviation request, its implications, and GS' decision in the appropriate section of the GS Monitoring Report (for the relevant MP). The verifying VVB shall, through appropriate means at its disposal, evaluate the

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Project's compliance with the above two conditions and provides its opinion in the Verification Report.

The verifying VVB shall:

a. Raise a FAR in the verification report for next monitoring period to address the possibility of change in the project design (Decrease in the capacity specified in the registered PDD as per 3.5.1 part b) of <u>Design change requirements</u> of the Design Change requirements) which can be amended in the future and, if there was no real action for the installation of a new turbine in order to comply with the information stated in the registered PDD, then a design change shall be processed and approved before the closure of the next verification and performance review process.

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_404 | | |
|---|--|-------------|--|
| Date of decision | 22/05/2023 | | |
| Precedent (YES/NO) | No | | |
| Precedent details | NA | | |
| Date of submission | 24/04/2023 | | |
| Project/PoA/VPA | Project | ID – GS3946 | |
| | 🗆 PoA | ID – GSXXXX | |
| | □ VPA | ID – GSXXXX | |
| Project/PoA/VPA title | Zorlu Enerji Wind Project | | |
| Date of listing | 01/01/2018 | | |
| GS Standard version | GS4GG | | |
| applicable | | | |
| Date of transition to GS4GG (if | 20/12/2022 | | |
| applicable) | | | |
| Date of transition to Gold | 28/02/2023 | | |
| Standard from another | | | |
| standard (e.g. CDM) (if | | | |
| applicable) | 28/01/2021 | | |
| Date of design certification/inclusion (if | 20/01/2021 | | |
| applicable) | | | |
| Location of project/PoA/VPA | Pakistan | | |
| Scale of the project/PoA/VPA | □ Microscale □ Small scale | | |
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| | 🛛 Large scale | | |
| Gold Standard Impact Registry | https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/6 | | |
| link of the project/PoA/VPA | <u>73</u> | | |
| Status of the project/PoA/VPA | | | |
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| | Certified design | | |
| | Certified proj | | |
| Title/subject of deviation | Deviation Request to continue the Verification of | | |
| Specify applicable | the project activity GS4GG | | |
| rule/requirements/methodolog | | | |
| y, with exact paragraph | | | |
| reference and version number | | | |

| Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable) | Start date 03/11/2018 End date 02/11/2021 |
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| Submitted by | Contact person name: Evren Evcit |
| | Email ID: ogeday.ormanlioglu@zorlu.com |
| | Organisation: Zorlu Enerji Pakistan Limited |
| | Project participant: Yes \boxtimes No \Box |
| Validation and Verification | Yes 🗆 No 🖾 |
| body (VVB opinion shall be | |
| included, where required by | If yes; |
| the applicable | VVB name: |
| rules/requirements or request | |
| is submitted by the VVB). | VVB Staff name(s): |
| Any previous deviations | Yes 🛛 No 🗆 |
| approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)? | |

3 **Deviation detail**

3.1 | Description of the deviation:

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

The Zorlu Enerji Wind Project (hereinafter the "project activity" or the "project" or the "wind farm") comprises the installation of 33 wind turbines in two phases: In the first phase 5 Vensys 1.2 MW turbines are installed; and in the second phase 28 Vestas V90 1.8 MW turbines are installed. These WTGs provide a total installed capacity of 56.4 MW, with a predicted power supply to the grid of 159,010 MWh per annum.

The construction of the project started on 18/05/2007. The project was in full commercial operation on 26/07/2013. Project was in operation with full capacity (i.e., 56.4 MW) as mentioned in the registered PDD till 17/07/2020.

However, an unfortunate event occurred at approximately 18:45 Hrs. on 17/07/2020 at Zorlu Enerji Wind Power Site where, due to cyclonic and high wind velocity, one of Vynsys -62 Wind Turbine (WTG-1) was severely hit by storm and fell to the ground and not operational since then which falls under the GS monitoring period from 03/11/2018 to 02/11/2021.

Despite taking all the reasonable diligence and care, this event occurred and could not have been prevented as it was a natural disaster beyond the control of project developer. Luckily no incidence of fire or any loss or injury to any person or property or any damage to the rest of the wind turbines at the project site has been observed. All the other WTGs at the project were on standstill and automatically locked due to high wind velocity and stormy weather. Apart from the above, except routine scheduled maintenance, no incidents happened during the monitoring period.

The normal implementation of the project has been maintained and no events or situations which may impact the applicability of the methodology have been observed during this monitoring period. Please refer to the table below for the milestones of the project activity.

| Project start date (Date of construction) | 18/05/2007 |
|---|--|
| Date of obtaining generation license | 06/05/2011 |
| Start of full commercial operation | 26/07/2013 |
| Registration date in CDM | 06/01/2014 |
| Crediting period in CDM and GS | 06/01/2014 - 05/01/2024 |
| 1 st monitoring period in CDM and GS | 06/01/2014 - 31/12/2014 |
| Registration date in GS | 17/12/2015 |
| Date of the site audit for 2 nd verification | 02/11/2018 |
| Expected monitoring period in GS | 03/11/2018 to 02/11/2021 (including both |
| | dates) |
| Collapse of one of the Vensys-62 Wind | 17/07/2020 |
| Turbine (WTG-1) | |
| Intimation sent to NPCC | 18/07/2020 |
| Intimation to Central Power Purchasing | 20/07/2020 |
| Agency (Guarantee) Limited (CPPA) | |

There has been no impact on the project boundary, applicability of GS4GG requirements, requirements listed in an applicable SDG Impact Quantification methodology and project's approved monitoring plan. Project developer still has same generation license for 33 wind turbines with 56.40 MW total installed capacity provided

by National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA)¹. Therefore, project developer is allowed to keep total installed capacity 56.40 MW in future which makes the collapse of wind turbine temporary change. In conclusion, it is requested to provide an approval to continue the verification of the project activity without requesting any design change since there has been no permanent change in the project activity.

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 WTG collapsed due to the natural disaster which was not under the control of project developer. This renewable wind energy project has the viability depending upon the financial revenue from carbon finance, any setback in receiving might impact the operation of the project. It is therefore in this context we request you to allow deviation on the verification of the project activity considering the important environmental and social benefits. To conclude, we sincerely request you to approve the project's eligibility for verification activity for 03/11/2018 - 02/11/2021 period as the non-operation of a WTG does not any negative impact on the project activity and it is not a permanent change that requires design change approval.

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):

¹ Please refer to page 9 of generation license for installed capacity of the project.

There will be no negative impact on the project activity due to this deviation and project developer will be able to proceed with the verification of the project activity without any setbacks.

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

Not Applicable

3.4 | Documents:

- 1. Generation license provided by National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA)
- 2. Intimation to Central Power Purchasing Agency (Guarantee) Limited and Intimation sent to NPCC

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| Version number | Release date | Description |
|-------------------|--------------|---|
| 5 | 11.04.2022 | Additional information added: date of listing, design certification, transition standard version specific reference to a requirement deviated from any previous deviations/design changes approved Guidance on VVB opinion |
| 4 | 14.01.2021 | |
| 3 | 16.07.2020 | |
| 2 | 03.05.2018 | |
| 1 | 01.07.2017 | Initial adoption |