

TEMPLATE

# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1 | Decision

#### 1.1 | Date – 09/05/2023

#### 1.2 | Decision

The deviation request is partially approved.

A performance certification review should not have started without the VVB having valid approval status. Given the re-approval process is at a very advanced stage, a deviation is granted to proceed with performance certification review, under the following conditions:

- The Certification Body shall:
  - only close the performance certification review process after the VVB has been granted re-approval by Gold Standard (26/04/2023)
  - include the deviation decision in the project documentation publicly available on the Gold Standard Impact Registry.
- The VVB shall include a reference to the deviation decision in the Verification Report.
- The PD may only request issuance after the VVB re-approval is granted and the performance review is closed

**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_408	
Date of decision	09/05/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	NO	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	03/05/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GSXXXX
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – <a href="#">GS11330</a>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – <a href="#">GS11331</a>
Project/PoA/VPA title	<p><b>PoA Title:</b> Circle Gas LPG Smart Meter Program, <b>GS ID of Programme:</b> GS11330</p> <p><b>VPA Title:</b> PoA GS11330 Circle Gas LPG Smart Meter Program - Circle Gas LPG Smart Meter Program in Kenya-VPA01-GS11331</p>	
Date of listing	09/01/2022	
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)	28/07/2022	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Kenya	
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/3351">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/3351</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	Deviation for the issuance submission
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	Reduced Emissions from Cooking and Heating: Technologies and Practices to Displace Decentralized Thermal Energy Consumption (TPDDTEC) v4.0
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date 04/10/2020      End date 30/06/2022
Submitted by	Contact person name: Stalin S Email ID: <a href="mailto:stalin@4kearthscience.com">stalin@4kearthscience.com</a>
	Organisation: 4K Earth Science Private Limited
	Project participant: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>  If yes; VVB name: 4K Earth Science Private Limited  VVB Staff name(s): Stalin 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):

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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.*

4KES is doing GS verification of the VPA "PoA GS11330 Circle Gas LPG Smart Meter Program - Circle Gas LPG Smart Meter Program in Kenya-VPA01-GS11331", GS Ref. No.: GS 11331 for the monitoring period "04/10/2020 to 30/06/2022".

Project was signed on 23/08/2022 and VVB (4K Earth Science Pvt. Ltd.) had the GS accreditation at that time. Our GS accreditation expired on 05/09/2022 and we intended for re-authorisation on 10/05/2022. Now VVB has received the approval from GS on 26/04/2023 for re-authorization.

Since our GS accreditation was under re-approval process when the project was submitted for GS review. We seek an approval for a deviation for the issuance submission as the project was already signed before 05/09/2022. The timeline for the project is mentioned below.

Thanks in advance for the consideration.

Verification contract	23/08/2022
Interviews	04/10/2022 to 07/10/2022
Draft Verification Report	28/12/2022
Final Verification Report	29/04/2023

### 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):

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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):

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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.*

NA

**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
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