

TEMPLATE

# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1 | Decision

**1.1 | Date – 27/06/2023**

**1.2 | Decision**

The deviation is APPROVED. However, the PD shall note that this is not a permanent approval.

The PD must implement a process/procedure to ensure that in future, the Annual Reports are submitted each year and latest by end of the following year of a monitoring period as stipulated in PRINCIPLES & REQUIREMENTS - Version 1.2 § 5.1.39 to 5.1.44. or any other version that supersede in future; independent of any status of the project.

Compliance of this decision shall be reflected in next Monitoring Report and, the verifying VVB, shall present in its Verification Report information on how the PP has complied with this decision as part of the assessment of the PP's management system.

**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_465	
Date of decision	27/06/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	Yes	
Precedent details	Annual Report delays	
Date of submission	26/06/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS612
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	InfraVest Guanyin Wind Farm Project – Taiwan	
Date of listing	/	
GS Standard version applicable	GS4GG Principles and Requirements Version 1.2	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)	06/08/2019	
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)	/	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	25/03/2011	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Taiwan, China	
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/1077">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1077</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	Submission of the annual report	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology , with exact paragraph reference and version number	GS4GG Principles and Requirements Version 1.2, Chapter 5, Section (d) paragraphs 5.1.39 to 5.1.44.	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date	End date
Submitted by	Contact person name: Sui Yang	
	Email ID:s.yang@southpole.com	
	Organisation:South Pole Carbon Asset Management Ltd.	
	Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

<p><b>Validation and Verification body</b> (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><b>Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?</b></p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>

### 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 deviation is requested for the submission of the annual report covering the monitoring period from 01/11/2020 to 31/10/2021.

The GS4GG Principles and Requirements Version 1.2 refers that:

Annual Reports are required and shall be submitted to Gold Standard as per outlined in Chapter 5, Section (d) paragraphs 5.1.39 to 5.1.44 of the GS4GG Principles and Requirements Version 1.2.

This annual report should be submitted by the end of 2022 per the GS4GG Principles and Requirements, however, the report prepared on 30/12/2022 was not submitted in time due to delays caused by Covid 19 pandemic and also the misunderstanding on the GS4GG Principles and Requirements.

##### 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):

As per the annual report, during the monitoring period from 01/11/2020 to 31/10/2021, the wind turbines contained in the project operated well. Electricity was stably generated and successfully connected to the local grid. Electricity generation and consumption are monitored as per the certified PDD. Therefore, the deviation won't be any compromise with the accuracy, completeness and conservativeness of the project.

#### 3.2.2 | 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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### 3.3 | 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):

As per the annual report, during the monitoring period from 01/11/2020 to 31/10/2021, the wind turbines contained in the project operated well. Electricity was stably generated and successfully connected to the local grid. Electricity generation and consumption are monitored as per the certified PDD. Therefore, the deviation has no impact on project design, safeguarding principles assessment, SDG assessment, emissions reductions, monitoring frequency, data quality, potential risk or any other relevant aspect of the project.

### 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
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3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
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