

TEMPLATE

DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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Version 5.0

A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 Decision

1.1 | Date - 01/09/2023

1.2 | Decision

The deviation request is not approved.

PD shall follow the Site Visit and Remote Audit Requirements and Procedures – V2.0; section 3.1 | Frequency of physical site visits; 3.1.1 | At minimum, the VVB shall conduct physical site visit within two years of project start date (If a retroactive project's start date is 1 year before submission for preliminary review, the project has 1 more year (a total of maximum 2 years from the start date) to undergo an audit with a physical site visit).

The project is only allowed to submit request for issuance of ERs and SDG impacts for a two-year retroactive period from the latest VVB site visit date (i.e.: if it was conducted on 31/08/2023), then i.e., for a period starting from 31/08/2021 and not earlier.

The Project Developer shall clearly document the deviation request, its implications and GS' decision in the appropriate section of the GS Monitoring Report (for the relevant MP).

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

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Deviation Reference Number	DEV_508	
Date of decision	01/09/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	12/07/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID - GS4902
	□ PoA	ID - GSXXXX
	□ VPA	ID - GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	82.5 MW YAHYALI WIND POWER PROJECT	
Date of listing	11/05/2016 by fast track PFA	
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)	19/01/2022	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Türkiye	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	☐ Microscale	
	☐ Small scale☒ Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	⊠ Large scale	oldstandard.org/projects/details/8
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	Organisation: BAK Enerji Üretimi Anonim Şirketi
	Project participant: Yes $oxtimes$ No $oxtimes$
Validation and Verification body (VVB opinion shall be	Yes □ No ⊠
included, where required by the applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).	If yes; VVB name:
	VVB Staff name(s):
Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?	Yes ⊠ No □

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 Design Change Requirements.

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

The project is having a design review date of 19/01/2022 hence considering the site visit to be done by 31/08/2023, we would like to request GS to allow to consider the monitoring period from 19/01/2020 to 31/07/2023, as the physical site visit will be done within 2 years of design certification date.

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 all the relevant parameters are being continuously monitored and the execution of the project is delayed due to delay in resolving the Design Review comments hence deviation is being requested to GS to allow to claim the period of more than 3 years for the current verification.

The deviation does not attract any kind of risk upon environmental integrity and all the SDG contributions are being achieved in-line with the Design Certified PDD.

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 above deviation will not cause any impact upon the data quality or attract any potential risk on GS related to any issuance or any other material impact affecting the quality of the project and thus no potential risk is attributed to GS Project activity in particular.

The deviation requested adheres to the Principles and Requirements set forth by GS4GG and complies with:

- Environmental Integrity- The GSVER's generated from the project activity are not over estimated as a result of deviation and conservativeness are ensured.
- Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals- SDG contributions that the project is designed to achieve are in line with GS4GG requirements and the above deviation does not have any potential impact upon the certified SDG's claimed during the entire crediting period of the project activity.
- Safeguarding Principles and requirements- The deviation does not create any impact upon the safeguarding principles and requirements set forth by GS4GG.
- Compliance with Host Country Regulations- The project does not create any conflict with Host Country regulations and all the host country regulations are followed.

Thus, kind request to approve deviation to the project developer otherwise the project will suffer loss of credits and will be a huge financial loss to the developer as well as the Host Country Türkiye.

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
		Additional information added:
5 11.04.2022		- date of listing, design certification, transition
	11 04 2022	- standard version
	- specific reference to a requirement deviated from	
		 any previous deviations/design changes
		approved

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		Guidance on VVB opinion
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption