



DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – 09/01/2024

1.2 | Decision

The request is not Approved.

The Developer shall note that including the missing sales of 56,089 project stove units via applying for design change for units' inclusion is not compliant with the requirements as follows:

- Developer's request about the retroactive addition of stoves sold in the timeframe of November 2021 to September 2022 conflicts with the [VVS requirements](#) of having consecutive monitoring periods.
- In addition to the above, sales from Nov 2021-Sept 2022 surpasses the one-year time limit for submitting the design change request after the design change has occurred.

- The explanation given by the developer of such high number of stoves were “missed” to be included is not convincing enough and raises concern about additionality.

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_604	
Date of decision	09/01/2024	
Precedent (YES/NO)	Yes	
Precedent details	NA	
Date of submission	15/12/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GSXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GS10790
Project/PoA/VPA title	GS 10789 VPA1: Efficient and clean cooking for households in Somalia	
Date of listing	01/11/2021	
GS Standard version applicable	-	
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)	-	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies): Somalia	
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	https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/2747	
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	Inclusion of historic stove sales in an existing design certified project	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology , with exact paragraph reference and version number	-	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date	End date
	NA	
Submitted by	Contact person name: PETER SCOTT	
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	Organisation: BURN Manufacturing Co.	
	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: 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):

BURN Manufacturing Co. is the CME of a design certified VPA GS 10790 which is included into the design certified POA GS 10789. The VPA has already completed performance certification for period between 01/04/2022 to 10/12/2022. Recently, CME identified that 56,089 quantities of improved cookstoves sold in Somalia between November 2021 to September 2022 were missed and not added in this VPA.

BURN would like to include these stoves in the above-mentioned design and performance certified VPA (GS ID 10790). However, this VPA has already issued credits for the monitoring period between 20/01/2021-31/03/2022 (MP1) and 01/04/2022 to 10/12/2022 (MPIII), the duration in which the old sales are falling. CME is planning to undergo design change in the prior notification track to include these historic units in the VPA.

Considering the above situation, BURN would like to request for a deviation to include these historic sales from November 2021 to September 2022 in VPA GS ID 10790 and get retroactive issuance only for these added stove units. It is important to include these sales and get carbon financing as they help thousands of people in Somalia to get access to healthy, energy-saving cookstoves which reduce GHG emissions and indoor air pollution resulting in chronic health issues.

In applying this deviation, BURN would ensure to follow the core GS principles:

Environmental integrity: This deviation doesn't result in any over-estimation of GS VERs.

Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): The SDG contribution achieved are in line with GS4GG requirement and are not compromised

Safeguarding principles and Requirements: Safeguarding Principles Assessment carried out for the VPA are in line with GS4GG requirements.

Compliance with host country regulations: The scope of this deviation work does not conflict with host country regulations.

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

3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

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

The proposed deviation does not compromise or have any negative influence on accuracy, completeness or any other requirement of Gold Standard for Global Goals. This deviation is being requested considering carbon finance is required to provide thousands of people in Somalia to get access to healthy, energy saving cookstoves which reduces GHG emissions and indoor air pollution resulting in chronic health issues.

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

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3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

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

The project developer will apply for design change in the issuance track and will conduct a detailed assessment of SDG, safeguarding, and any other aspects of the project due to this deviation. The VPA will abide by all Gold Standard requirements.

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

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3.4 | Documents:

Version number	Release date	Description
5	11.04.2022	Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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