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TEMPLATE

DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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Version **5.0**

A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – dd/mm/yyyy

22/02/2024

1.2 | Decision

The Deviation Request is Approved. The Project activity may continue to undergo verification under CP1 until 19/03/2024 as per the Transition request, and follow GS4GG certification cycle for crediting period renewal (5 years) for CP2.

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_610	
Date of decision	22/02/2024	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	NA	
Date of submission	12/01/2024	
Project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	ID – GS5698
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	40 MW Wind Power Project at Maliya, Gujarat	
Date of listing	NA	
GS Standard version applicable	Principles & Requirements, version 1.2	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)	07/05/2018	
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)	Not Applicable	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	03/05/2018	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(India)	
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://platform.sustain-cert.com/certification/projects/1824/reviews	
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 from 1. GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements version 2.0	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	Section 6.5 under Annex B of GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements version 2.1	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	Start date 01/01/2021	End date 31/12/2022
Submitted by	Contact person name: Murali Raju Email ID: muraliraju.m@greenkogroup.com	

	Organisation: Orange AGAR Wind Power Private Limited
	Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input 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 type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes; VVB name: VVB Staff name(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:

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

The project activity has been design certified under Gold Standard on 03/05/2018. The total length of crediting period is 15 years (7 years + 5 years + 3 years) with first crediting period from 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024. The project completed Transition from GS to GS4GG on 25/09/2018 with 15 years of total crediting period renewable twice i.e 7 years + 5 years+ 3 year. The duration of first crediting period under GS4GG is parallel to CDM as 02/05/2016 to 01/05/2023.

Currently the project is undergoing Performance Review no. 4 for monitoring period from 20/03/2017 - 19/03/2024.

According to the section 6.5 under Annex-B of GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements version 2.1 "6.5.1| Transition project, PoA/CPAs shall follow GS4GG certification cycle for crediting period renewal (e.g. 5 years) in order to issue or convert issued emission reductions to GS to GS4GG." As per that, the crediting period should be end on 19/03/2022. However, 7 years of the crediting from 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024 has been approved at the time of transition from GS to GS4GG and same has been reflect in the Approved Transition report.

On the basses of Approved Transition report, we applied for the deviation.

In light of the challenges described below, we request a deviation to continue the process of performance review no. 4 and we are subsequent going for the renewable of the crediting period 2.

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):

As per section D of the Approved Transition report version 2.2 dated 18/08/2018 approved at the time of Transition from GS to GS4GG, total length of Crediting Period is "15 Years 00 Months 7 years renewable start date of the crediting period 20/03/2017" and the duration of CP1 is 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024. Hence, 4th Monitoring Period i.e. 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024 falls under CP1.

We request you to kindly approve the deviation from section 6.5.1 of GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements version 2.1. And

1. Consider CP1 as per the Approved Transition report i.e. from 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024;
2. Allow us to complete this performance review and subsequent verifications for CP1;
3. To follow GS4GG certification cycle for crediting period renewal (5 years) from CP2 onwards i.e. total 15 years of crediting period renewable twice (7 years + 5 years + 3 years) from 20/03/2017 to 19/03/2024.

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):

The deviation of this project lies in the scope of DEVIATION APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES version 1.2. During the delay period, the project owner has continued to monitor all parameters which were validated and approved during the

Design Certification. 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. 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 GSVERs generated from the project activity are not overestimated because of deviation and conservativeness is 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 SDGs claimed during the current monitoring period.

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.

Project Proponent has already started the process of performance review round 4th from 01/01/2021 to 31/12/2022 and will ensure to follow all the guidelines of GS4GG in future. Since the project proponent has not claimed credits so far in GS4GG and the project will not be able to sustain itself without carbon credits, issuance for current monitoring period is needed to continue its operation.

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

Not Applicable

3.4 | Documents:

1. Transition Review Final Feedback

2. Transition Report

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