



TEMPLATE

# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1| Decision

#### 1.1 | Date – dd/mm/yyyy

24/02/2024

#### 1.2 | Decision

The Deviation Request is Approved. PD shall document the decision in the PDD. VVB shall assess the same. SC shall check both PD and VVB assessment.

#### 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_611	
Date of decision	24/02/2024	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	NA	
Date of submission	16/01/2024	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID - GS12567
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID - GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID - GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title		
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies) Rwanda	
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	N/A	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input type="checkbox"/> Certified project	
Title/subject of deviation	Deviation to validate some of the mandatory invitation for the physical stakeholder meeting regardless of the short notice (less then 30 days)	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology and version number	GS Methodology for emission reductions from safe drinking water supply v1.0	
Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	N/A	
Submitted by	Contact person name: Gianluca Persia	
	Email ID: gianluca.persia@carbonsink.it	
	Organisation: Carbonsink Group S.r.l.	
	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)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>  If yes; VVB name:	

or request is submitted by the VVB).	Auditor name:
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### 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):

Jibu is a social franchise business, selling safe and affordable drinking water via a decentralized network of franchisees.

By avoiding the need to use charcoal and firewood, Jibu reduces the emissions of carbon dioxide.

To inform the population of the project starting, a local stakeholder consultation has been organized on 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2023. As per shared "GS12567\_Jibu\_Stakeholder-Consultation-Report.docx" and related evidences the possible stakeholders were invited one month in advance (30 days) via SMS, on 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2023. However, the Relevant international Gold Standard NGO Supporters, G category, were only invited on 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2023, as per provided and mentioned evidences in the stakeholder consultation report.

For this reason, Deviation Request is produced: to consider the holding of the meeting equally valid as it still had a significant number of correctly informed guests (78 out of a total of 83 invitees).

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

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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):

Requirements, accuracy and completeness

As per paragraph 3.4 Means of inviting stakeholders of "STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS v.2.1":

3.4.1 | *The project developer shall invite stakeholders in an open and transparent manner - that provides equal opportunity to each stakeholder to participate in stakeholder meeting and provide feedback.*

3.4.2 | *The project developer shall invite the stakeholders at least 30 days before the physical meeting by;*

3.4.3 | *selecting an appropriate invitation method considering the context of the project, stakeholders, local and national circumstances, and*

3.4.4 | *using appropriate language and measures, and adequate and effective means.*

3.4.5 | *The project developer shall ensure that the stakeholders are invited in a gender-sensitive manner. Efforts shall be made to solicit input from women and marginalized groups.*

3.4.6 | *The stakeholder consultations shall be open to anyone wishing to attend, and participate and the project developer shall not deny anyone access to the consultation.*

All the above cited points, as per shared LSC report, have been respected, the only one not achieved is the second point, due to the fact that 5 invitees (category G) have been informed 18 days before the meeting.

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):

Impact on project design

The proposed deviation does not involve any relevant changes in the reporting procedure of the consultation outcomes, meaning that any sort of input/feedback received from stakeholder will be accounted as per the relevant Stakeholder Engagement & consultation Requirements. All relevant impacts on project design should be discussed and integrated as per the usual procedures.

Impact on Safeguard Principles Assessment

The project activities will remain unchanged during the crediting period, and, also the social, economic, and environmental impacts are not influenced. Moreover, a dedicated Stakeholder feedback Round will allow a comprehensive review of project documentation and info to allow all relevant stakeholder which have not been able to participate to provide any sort of input and feedback which might be integrated in the final project design. Thus, the proposed deviation is not having any impact on the Safeguard Principles Assessment.

Impact on emissions reductions and SDG assessment

The proposed deviation will have no impact on the quantity of ERs or on the quantity of the SDG impacts. Also, there will be no impact on the overestimation of ERs or on the quantity of the other SDG impacts.

Monitoring frequency

The deviation will not have any impact on the monitoring frequency because the monitoring activities are not yet in place.

Data quality and/or potential risks

Except for the local stakeholder invitation timing, the monitoring activities will be carried out in line with the applied methodology. The quality of the data will have thus the same attention and accuracy as without the deviation in implementation time (for example, field staff training, sample size, and statistical analysis, etc.). Hence, the proposed deviation will have no impact on the quality of data and there will be no risk in performing the usage survey.

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

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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.)*

Here the list of supporting documents:

- GS12567\_Jibu\_Stakeholder-Consultation-Report.docx

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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
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption