



DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

PUBLICATION DATE **11.04.2021**

Version **5.0**

A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – dd/mm/yyyy

04/03/2024

1.2 | Decision

The deviation approval is subject to successful compliance with the following Requirements.

The deadline of the design change approval documentation submission to the Gold standard has been extended to 6 months. Thus, PD is now allowed to submit the request for design change approval along with the VVB opinion by 04 October 2024 to the GS. The PD shall document the deviation request, its implications, and GS' decision in the appropriate section of the GS PDD. The validating VVB shall, through appropriate means at its disposal, evaluate the Project's compliance with the above-mentioned conditions and provides its opinion in the Validation Report.

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

2 | Background information

Icdas Biga Wind Power Plant Project is developed by İçdaş Çelik Enerji Tersane ve Ulaşım San. A.Ş (hereafter referred as the project developer) at around Biga district in Çanakkale, Turkey. The project is reducing the national energy deficit and development of local industries as it allows the use of local sources for energy generation to meet the increasing demands. A 49-year electric power generation license for the proposed wind farm (License No. EÜ/3446-4/2090) was obtained from Energy Market Regulatory Authority (EMRA).

The project was initially planned to have a capacity of 60.8 MWm/60 MWe and consist of 19 turbines with 3.2 MW capacity. In February 2022 and June 2022, Energy Market Regulatory Authority (EMRA) has allowed extension of capacity for better utilization of renewable energy potential in Turkey. Thus, Icdas Biga Wind has been allowed to install a new wind turbine generator with a capacity of 7 MWm/3.8 MWe and a new generation license has been issued as 67.8 MWm/63.8 MWe. After extension, electricity generation capacity will have the configuration of 16 x (3.2 MWm/3.2 MWe) + 2 x (3.2 MWm/2.93 MWe) + 1 x (3.2 MWm/2.94 MWe) + 1 x (7 MWm/3.8 MWe).

As per the GS rules, we should apply within one year of start date of the capacity extension (start date is 29/03/2023) however, renewable of crediting period review with GS is still ongoing. It should be noted that the design change will be applied on the PDD of the 2nd CP. Even if the renewal of CP is finalized in February 2024, the remaining timeline would not be enough for us to perform design change with the VVB and submit the report before deadline.

We therefore request an extension of one year deadline rule for our project and request extension until October 2024.

Deviation Reference Number	DEV_620	
Date of decision	04/03/2024	
Precedent (YES/NO)	NO	
Precedent details	NA	
Date of submission	07/02/2024	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS2475
	<input type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GSXXXX
	<input type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GSXXXX
Project/PoA/VPA title	Icdas Biga Wind Farm Project	
Date of listing		
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)	08/07/2021	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	11/01/2017	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	Host country(ies)	
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/372	
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	Extension Request for Design Change Submission Date	
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
Submitted by	Contact person name: M. Kemal Demirkol Email ID: kemal.demirkol@gte.com.tr	

	Organisation: GTE
	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

3 | Deviation detail

3.1 | Description of the deviation:

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

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

N/A

3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

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

It is impossible to comply with the GS requirements, due to the one year deadline rule.

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

N/A

3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

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

Completion of crediting period renewal is required for assessment of SDGs of the project. Since CP Renewal process is still going on, there is not enough time after the registration approval for a proper SDG assessment.

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

N/A

3.4 | Documents:

N/A

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