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# ACR Validation and Verification Opinion

Instructions ACR requires that a Validation Opinion be provided by the validation body at each ACR GHG Project validation and that a Verification Opinion be provided by the verification body at each ACR GHG Project verification. To facilitate this requirement, use of this Validation and Verification Opinion template is required. Follow all instructions found within each section and provide all requested information. If a field is not applicable, respond with “N/A.” The Opinion must be signed by the duly authorized Lead Validation/Verifier and Independent Reviewer and saved as a PDF prior to uploading to the ACR Registry. Terminology as defined in the ACR Standard applies to this document.

THIS VERSION 1.2 OF THE VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION OPINION TEMPLATE IS REQUIRED IF FIRST SUBMISSION IS UPLOADED AFTER OCTOBER 31, 2024.

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| Section I: Validation/Verification Body Details  |
| 1 | Document date | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| 2 | Validation/Verification Body (VVB) |       |
| 3 | VVB physical addressStreet name and number, city, state, zip |       |
| 4 | VVB mailing address (if different) |       |
| 5 | VVB email address |       |
| 6 | VVB phone number |       |
| Section II: Project Details |
| 1 | Project title |       |
| 2 | ACR project ID (ACRXXXX) |       |
| 3 | Project Proponent |       |
| 4 | Validation and/or verification kickoff call/meeting date | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| Section III: Criteria Used to Form the Opinion |
| 1 | ISO 14064–3 version year (YYYY) |       |
| 2 | ISO 14065 version year (YYYY) |       |
| 3 | ACR Standard version applied at validation |       |
| 4 | ACR Standard version applied at verification, if applicable |       |
| 5 | ACR Validation and Verification Standard version applied |       |
| 6 | ACR-approved Methodology title and version applied |       |
| 7 | Other criteria applied (e.g., dated Errata & Clarifications) |       |
| Section IV: Validation Opinion Details (If Applicable) |
| 1 | Is a validation opinion being provided?[[1]](#footnote-2)[ ]  Yes [ ]  No*If Yes, complete remaining question in this section.*  |
| 2 | Crediting Period datesStart date: Click or tap to enter a date.End date: Click or tap to enter a date. |
| 3 | Validated GHG Project Plan (provide exact filename, *including any attachments, appendices, or addendums*)      |
| 4 | Validated GHG Project Plan document dateClick or tap to enter a date. |
| 5 | Responsibility (provide the Project Proponent name)The GHG Project Plan and its contents are the responsibility of:      |
| 6 | Does the VVB attest that the GHG Project Plan has been validated in accordance with the criteria identified in Section III?[ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| 7 | As a result of validation, what type of opinion is the VVB providing?[ ]  Positive [ ]  Negative |
| 8 | If Negative, describe the reasons the VVB is providing this validation opinion.      |
| The actual GHG emission reductions and removals achieved may differ from the validated forecast of future GHG emission reductions and removals, as the forecast is based on assumptions that may change in the future. |
| Section V: Verification Opinion Details (If Applicable) |
| 1 | Is a verification opinion being provided?[ ]  Yes [ ]  No*If Yes, complete remaining question in this section.* |
| 2 | Is a verification opinion being provided based on a full verification including a site visit?[ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| 3 | Reporting Period datesStart date: Click or tap to enter a date.End date: Click or tap to enter a date. |
| 4 | Level of assurance      |
| 5 | Verified Monitoring Report (provide exact filename, *including any attachments, appendices, or addendums*)      |
| 6 | Verified Monitoring Report document dateClick or tap to enter a date. |
| 7 | Responsibility (provide the Project Proponent name)The Monitoring Report and its contents are the responsibility of:      |
| 8 | Does the VVB attest that the Monitoring Report has been verified to the specified Level of Assurance in accordance with the criteria identified in Section III?[ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| 9 | Does the VVB attest that the GHG statement, as detailed by the Monitoring Report and provided in Section VI below, is without material misstatement (as defined by the ACR Standard)?[ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| 10 | As a result of verification, what type of opinion is the VVB providing?[ ]  Positive [ ]  Negative |
| 11 | If Negative, describe the reasons the VVB is providing this verification opinion.      |

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| Section VI: GHG STATEMENT (APPLICABLE FOR VERIFICATION OPINIONS)*Omit or provide additional rows for Vintages as needed* |
| All GHG Projects | AFOLU & Geologic Sequestration Projects Only |
| Vintage | Total ERRs | Removals Subset of Total ERRs(if applicable) | Emission Reductions Subset of Total ERRs (if applicable) | Buffer Pool / Reserve Account Contribution (if applicable) | Net ERRs(if applicable) |
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| Totals\* |  |  |  |  |  |
| \*Totals may not sum due to rounding |

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| Section VII: AttestationS |
| Instructions* The Validation/Verification Opinion must be signed by the duly authorized Lead Validation/Verifier and Independent Reviewer.
* The signatures may not be inserted by typing or affixing an image file.
* The signatures may be executed:
* via encrypted digital signature (i.e. DocuSign), or
* by printing the signature page, using a wet signature, scanning the signature page, and inserting it into the final PDF.
* The signature dates should be on or after:
* the document date at the top of this report,
* the document date of the GHG Project Plan being validated, if applicable,
* the document date of the Monitoring Report being verified, if applicable, and
* the document date of the accompanying Validation/Verification Report being submitted.
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| Lead Validator/Verifier Signature | A black line with a white background  Description automatically generated |

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| Lead Validator/Verifier Name |       |
| Lead Validator/Verifier Title |       |
| Lead Validator/Verifier Organization |       |
| Lead Validator/Verifier Signature Date | Click or tap to enter a date. |

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| Independent Reviewer Signature | A black line with a white background  Description automatically generated |

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| Independent Reviewer Name |       |
| Independent Reviewer Title |       |
| Independent Reviewer Organization |       |
| Independent Reviewer Signature Date | Click or tap to enter a date. |

1. If both validation and verification services were conducted at the same time by the same VVB, complete Section IV as well as Sections V and VI. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)