



One Thomas Circle, NW  
Suite 1050  
Washington, DC 20005  
[www.verra.org](http://www.verra.org)

6 July 2021

Ms. Pauline Kalathas  
Carbon Manager,  
GES Energie GmbH

And

Mr. John Horrevorts  
Horrevorts BV  
Gelderstraat 75  
5081 AB Hilvarenbeek

Dear Ms. Kalathas and Mr. Horrevorts,

This letter is in reference to your exemption request submitted to Verra on 7 May 2021. It is our understanding that Agrokracht, Aben Recycling BV, Houbensteyn BV, B.V. Landgoed de Principeel, and Praktijkcentrum Sterksel (the Project Proponents), are requesting an exemption from Section 3.8.9(3) of the *VCS Standard v4.1* for the following projects: *ID 334*<sup>1</sup>, *ID 335*<sup>2</sup>, *ID 336*<sup>3</sup>, *ID 337*<sup>4</sup> and *ID 338*<sup>5</sup>. The Project Proponents requested this exemption as they could not comply with the project crediting period renewal timelines as per the VCS rules.

Based on the information provided to Verra, it is understood that the following projects: ID 334, 335, 336, 337, and 338 were delayed in securing clarification from the Dutch government, that the emission reductions from these projects are not accounted in the National Inventory Reports of the Dutch Government and that no double counting of the emission reductions will occur. This clarification from the Dutch Government was obtained in late 2017, which is after the expiration of the project crediting period for all the projects and the Project Proponent could not have renewed the project crediting period in accordance with the VCS rules on time. It is further noted that the Project Proponents were in continual communication with the Verra staff regarding the project's issuance and need for ongoing carbon revenue, thereby meeting the intent to renew the project crediting period on time.

Verra analyzed this exemption based on Section 3.8.9(3) of the *VCS Standard v4.1*, which states, "The updated project description shall be validated in accordance with the VCS Program rules. In addition, the project shall be validated against the (current) scope of the VCS. Such validation report shall be issued after the end of the (previous) project crediting period but within two years after the end of the (previous) project crediting period."

Considering the facts and information provided, Verra hereby grants an exemption from Section 3.8.9(3) of the *VCS Standard v4.1*, to the Project Proponents. The Project Proponents are requested to submit

---

<sup>1</sup> ID 334: Methane Recovery Project Cleanergy Wanroij, North Brabant, The Netherlands

<sup>2</sup> ID 335: Methane Recovery Project Aben, Wanroij, North Brabant, The Netherlands

<sup>3</sup> ID 336 Methane Recovery Project Houbensteyn Ysselsteyn, Limburg, The Netherlands

<sup>4</sup> ID 337 Methane Recovery Project Principeel Wilbertoord, North Brabant, The Netherlands

<sup>5</sup> ID 338 Methane Recovery Project Praktijkcentrum Sterksel, North Brabant, The Netherlands



One Thomas Circle, NW  
Suite 1050  
Washington, DC 20005  
[www.verra.org](http://www.verra.org)

documents for all the projects listed above for renewal of their project crediting periods no later than 31 December 2021.

Please note that Verra grants exemptions on a case-by-case basis and does not form the basis of or set a precedent for future exemption request approvals or denials. This letter will be uploaded to the Verra Registry as a public document.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tanushree Bagh Mukherjee".

Tanushree Bagh Mukherjee

Senior Program Manager, Verra Programs

Verra