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VERRA
Att. Verra Registry
registry@verra.org

THE LAST HABITAT REDD+ PROJECT (ID 3344)
Under Validation and Verification
VCS + CCB standard
Project exemption request

Dear VERRA team,

As developers of **THE LAST HABITAT REDD+ PROJECT 3344** we kindly request the **exception of the update of the project in relation to the new risk tool presented to be effective as of January 1st of this year** ([Reminder: New VCS Program Rules and Requirements Related to AFOLU Non-Permanence Risk Tool Effective January 1, 2024 - Verra](#)), on the following grounds:

as the VVB audit process, including the auditor's visit (from June 20th to 27th 2023) and specifically the resolution of the observations for both the validation and verification (MR 2020, 2021), was completed last year (Dec 2023), as can be demonstrated in the attached documents, and since then we are only awaiting the final Validation and Verification Reports from the auditors (AENOR), to be submitted to the Verra registry in the next few days. All the necessary work and support involved in these processes to present the final validation and verification report, including the development of the project risk analysis, has been diligently carried out and reviewed by the competent auditor in accordance with VCS+CCB standards.

Having carried out all the internal and audit process, which we have been doing for more than 1.5 years to meet all the requirements of the standard, and having closed all the observations (findings) raised, we request the exception of the update of the risk tool, understanding that we are a few days into the year, waiting for the VVB to finalize the reports in order to be submitted to Verra in the next few days. In this manner we will be able to finalize the process that we have followed diligently and uninterruptedly during all this time in compliance with the requirements established by the VCS and CCB standard.



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