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## 1. Introduction

1. The GCC Program Framework<sup>1</sup> in section 14 provides the information on ‘GCC Documentation Framework’, which defines various types of GCC documents including the ‘Information Documents’. The ‘Information Documents’ has further been classified into a sub-type of regulatory document called as ‘Clarifications’, which provides clarifications on unclear GCC requirements or introduce new requirements.
2. The GCC Program Manual in paragraph 20 indicates that the applicable Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) tools and methodologies are normative (referenced) documents in the GCC programme.
3. As per CDM Executive Board 113<sup>th</sup> meeting report paragraph 44, the Board considered the information note “*Analysis of share and levelized cost of electricity generation of grid-connected solar photovoltaic technology*”<sup>2</sup> prepared by the CDM Methodologies Panel (CDM-MP) in the context of the revision of the methodological tool “TOOL32 v4.0: Positive lists of technologies”<sup>3</sup>, and approved, as a major revision. The revision excludes grid-connected solar photovoltaic technologies from the positive list of technologies. Note that TOOL 32 v4.0 enters into force from 11 March 2022 and is valid till 10 March 2025.
4. GCC Program has received many queries from the stakeholders requesting to clarify GCC position in context to the revision of TOOL 32.
5. As per GCC Project Standard v3.1, paragraph 26, “Under GCC Rules, any Project Owner seeking to design a GCC Project Activity shall apply the latest versions of either a GCC approved methodology or methodologies and tools. approved under UNFCCC’s Clean Development Mechanism, available at the time of submission of project documents to the GCC, as required by the Program Process, for conducting a Global Stakeholder Consultation (GSC). In doing so, the Baseline and Monitoring Methodologies shall be applied in full, including the full application of any tools or guidance referred to by a methodology. The Project Owners shall comply with the grace period of the methodologies, as applicable. The CDM methodologies carry a grace period of 240 days (refer CDM/ UNFCCC website) while GCC methodologies carry a grace period of 30 days (refer Program Process)”.
6. As per GCC Project Standard v3.1, paragraph 31, “For Type A1, A2 and B1 projects, the registration request shall be submitted to the GCC Program within one year from the date of submission of project documents for conducting a Global Stakeholder Consultation. Otherwise, the GSC shall be repeated with the applicable versions of the GCC regulatory documents and the applicable methodology”.

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<sup>1</sup> GCC documents are available here: [www.globalcarboncouncil.com/resource-centre.html](http://www.globalcarboncouncil.com/resource-centre.html)

<sup>2</sup> [MP87 EA11 Information note on share and LCOE of solar PV \(unfccc.int\)](https://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAMethodologies/tools/am-tool-32-v4.0.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> <https://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAMethodologies/tools/am-tool-32-v4.0.pdf>

## **2. Scope**

7. This document provides clarification on how the aforementioned CDM methodological TOOL32 v4.0: Positive lists of technologies, is applied to GCC projects.

## **3. Entry into Force**

8. This document enters into force immediately from the date of its publication.
9. This document in itself is a transitional document and will at later point in time be reflected through-out the revised versions of regulatory documents, mainly into Project Standard, Verification Standard, Program Process and forms such as PSF, etc. This document will cease to be in force till this is approved after consolidation into the 'Project Standard' and other applicable regulatory documents in its next revision.

## **4. Eligibility applying different version of Positive lists of technologies**

10. For any Type A project, either option a) or b) or c) shall be applied if it is referred by the project activity for demonstrating additionality;
  - (a) If a project is submitted to GCC program after March 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 (included), CDM TOOL32: Positive lists of technologies, version 4 shall be applied;
    - (i) If a project is submitted to GCC program after March 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 (included) but before the publication date of this document, a new GSC is not mandatory. However, the verifier shall raise a Correction Action Request (CAR) and CDM Tool 32: Positive lists of technologies, version 4 shall be applied for request for registration;
  - (b) If a project has already been submitted to GCC program before March 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 (included), CDM Tool 32: Positive lists of technologies, version 3 can be applied, as long as request for registration can be submitted before 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2022 or within one year after the date of first submission to GCC Program for GSC, whichever is earlier.
11. Type B projects are not affected by the revision of CDM TOOL 32: Positive lists of technologies, version 4.



## DOCUMENT HISTORY

Version	Date	Comment
V 1.0	23/03/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Initial version released for approval by the Steering Committee as per the GCC Program Process.</li></ul>



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