

Unofficial Translation*

**Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit management and risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program (No. 2),
B.E. 2567 (2024)**

Whereas it is expedient to revise the Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit management and risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program, B.E. 2566 (2023) regarding rules, procedures and conditions of compensation for reversals of carbon credits as per international standards;

By virtue of the provisions of sections 20 (2) and 45/2 of the Royal Decree Establishing the Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization (Public Organization), B.E. 2550 (2007), as amended by the Royal Decree Establishing the Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization (Public Organization) (No. 2), B.E. 2562 (2019), clause 33 of the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: rules, procedures, and conditions for considering Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction (T-VER) projects B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended by the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: rules, procedures, and conditions for considering Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction (T-VER) projects (No. 3), B.E. 2567 (2024), and the decision made at the 2/2024 meeting of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on 11 March 2024, hereby issues the Announcement as follows:

Clause 1. This Announcement is called the "Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit management and

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risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program (No. 2), B.E. 2567 (2024)".

Clause 2. This Announcement shall be applicable on the day following the date of its announcement.

Clause 3. In clause 4 of the Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit management and risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program, B.E. 2566 (2023), the following definition shall be added immediately after the definition of “ Buffer credits”;

“ “ reversals of carbon credits” means an amount of greenhouse gases emissions reduction or removal caused by avoidable incidents or unavoidable incidents, to be net negative compared to the baseline or previous issuance of carbon credits”.

Clause 4. Clause 10 of the Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit management and risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program, B.E. 2566 (2023) shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“ In case there is an incident that will cause the estimated greenhouse gases removal of a project decreasing more than five per cent of the amount indicated in the Project Design Document (PDD), the project participant must notify the Organization within thirty days since the date of finding of the incident; the Organization can suspend all buffer credits of the project participant in the pooled buffer account. In case the project participant does not notify within the aforementioned time frame, the Organization can suspend all buffer credits of the project participant in the pooled buffer account as well as its carbon credits in the holding account in the carbon credits registry system of the Organization”.

Clause 5. Clause 10/1, 10/2 and 10/3 shall be added to the Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization re: buffer credit

management and risk assessment of carbon loss from forestry and agricultural projects under Premium T-VER Program, B.E. 2566 (2023) as follows:

“ **Clause 10/1.** A project participant must prepare and submit a Loss Event Report or a Monitoring Report which has been verified by a validation and verification body for voluntary projects (VVB) to the Organization within two years since the date of finding of the incident; such report shall be in the form prescribed by the Organization and consist of an assessment of reversals of issued carbon credits from all areas affected by the incident according to the conservative principle. In case a project participant does not submit such report within the aforementioned time frame, the project participant will be ineligible to request for carbon credits issuances of Premium T-VER project: the Organization shall consequently cancel all buffer credits of the project participant in the buffer credits account in the carbon credits registry system of the Organization, and then propose to the Board of Directors to revoke the Premium T-VER project registration”.

“ **Clause 10/2.** The Organization shall consider the submitted Loss Event Report or Monitoring Report; in case it is found that there is no reversals of carbon credits, the Organization shall cancel the suspension of all buffer credits of the project participant. In case it is found that there is reversals of carbon credits, the Organization shall consider the incident and have the project participant compensated carbon credits according to the criteria in clause 10/3”.

“**Clause 10/3.** Criteria for compensation of reversals of carbon credits

(1) Avoidable Incidents

(a) The Organization shall notify the project participant to compensate all reversals of carbon credits

(b) The project participant must provide and cancel compensated carbon credits to cover all reversals of carbon credits, and must notify the completion to the Organization. The Organization shall check such compensation to be in accordance with the criteria, and notify the project participant to rectify the compensation in case of any inaccuracies or incompleteness.

(2) Unavoidable Incidents

(a) In case the project participant has sufficient buffer credits to cover all the reversals of carbon credits arising from the incident, the Organization shall cancel the buffer credits at the amount of the reversals and then notify the project participant.

(b) In case the project participant has insufficient buffer credits to cover all the reversals of carbon credits arising from the incident, the Organization shall cancel all the buffer credits and then notify the project participant to compensate the outstanding amount to cover all the reversals.

The project participant must provide and cancel compensated carbon credits to cover the outstanding amount of reversals of carbon credits, and must notify the completion to the Organization. The Organization shall check such compensation to be in accordance with the criteria, and notify the project participant to rectify the compensation in case of any inaccuracies or incompleteness.

The project participant must compensate the reversals of carbon credits within ninety days since the date when the Board of Directors has decided that the project participant shall compensate such reversals, as per the Contract to Compensate Reversals of Carbon Credits from the Premium T-VER project in Forestry and Agriculture Sectors prescribed by the Organization. The compensated carbon credits shall be Premium T-VER credits and the emission reductions shall not occurred more than five (5) years counting from the date the project participant is obligated to compensate carbon credits.

In case the reversals are CORSIA Eligible Emissions Units, compensation for such reversals must also be CORSIA Eligible Emissions Units from Premium T-VER projects or other standards, and proceeded in accordance with the contract to compensate reversals of carbon credits as prescribed by the Organization.

In case a project participant does not compensate for the reversals within the aforementioned timeframe, the Organization shall consequently cancel carbon credits in the holding account of the project participant in the carbon credits registry system of the Organization for compensation of such incident, and then propose to the Board of Directors to revoke the Premium T-VER project registration. In case the project participant has insufficient carbon credits to cover all the reversals of carbon credits arising from the incident,

the Organization shall provide and cancel compensated carbon credits to cover the outstanding amount of reversals of carbon credits.

Once the project participant has fully compensated carbon credits, the Organization shall cancel the suspension of their buffer credits in the pooled buffer account in carbon credits registry system of the Organization”.

Clause 6. The Executive Director shall be in charge of the implementation of this Announcement.

In case there is a problem concerning implementation of this Announcement, the Executive Director shall have power to interpret and decide issues of the problem. The decision of the Executive Director shall be final.

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