Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization Re: Buffer Credit Management and Compensation for the Reversals of Carbon Credits from Forestry and Agricultural Projects under the Premium Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (Premium T-VER) B.E. 2568 (2025)

Whereas, it is deemed expedient to update the rules, procedures and conditions for buffer credit deduction, Compensation for the Reversals of carbon credits, and non-permanence risk monitoring and assessment for forestry and agricultural projects under the Premium Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (Premium T-VER) to be consistent with international standards.

By virtue of Section 20 (2) and Section 45/2 of the Royal Decree on Establishment of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization (Public Organization) B.E. 2550 (2007), as amended by the Royal Decree on Establishment of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization (Public Organization) (No. 2) B.E. 2562 (2019), together with Clause 33 of the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended by the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization for Consideration on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) (No. 3) B.E. 2567 (2024), and the Resolutions of the Meeting No. 2/2025 of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization, on 24 February 2025, the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization hereby issues this Announcement as follows:

**Clause 1** This Announcement shall be referred to as the "Announcement of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization Re: Buffer Credit Management and Compensation for the Reversals of Carbon Credits from Forestry and Agricultural Projects under the Premium Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (Premium T-VER) B.E. 2568 (2025)."

**Clause 2** This Announcement shall come into force upon a lapse of one hundred and eighty days from the date of its announcement.

Clause 3 The following shall be repealed:

(1) 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 the Premium Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (Premium T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023);

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(2) 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 the Premium Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (Premium T-VER) (No. 2) B.E. 2567 (2024).

Clause 4 In this Announcement:

"Buffer Credits" refers to the amount of greenhouse gas of a project participant, which is certified as carbon credit as prescribed in the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended, in respect of which the Organization has deducted and recorded each project participant's carbon credits in the buffer credit accounts of the Organization's carbon credit registry, with the objective to serve as a security against the risk of non-permanence of the implementation of the Premium T-VER projects under Clause 6 (13), except for methane and/or nitrous oxide reduction activities from agriculture under the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended, subject to the rules and guidelines set out by the Board of Directors.

"Reversal of Carbon Credits" refers to the amount of greenhouse gas emission reduction or removal caused by avoidable or unavoidable events, to be net negative compared to the baseline or previous carbon credit certification.

**Clause 5** Any project participant wishing to apply for Premium T-VER project registration in the category under Clause 6 (13), except for methane and/or nitrous oxide reduction activities from agriculture under the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended, shall prepare and submit a Non-permanence Risk Assessment Report, which has been validated by a validation and verification body for voluntary projects, and relevant documents, to the Organization, together with the Application for Premium T-VER Project Registration under the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended.

**Clause 6** Any project participant wishing to apply for certification of carbon credits from Premium T-VER projects in the category under Clause 6 (13), except for methane and/or nitrous oxide reduction activities from agriculture under the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as

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amended, shall prepare and submit a Non-permanence Risk Monitoring Report, which has been verified by a validation and verification body for voluntary projects, together with the Application for Carbon Credit Certification under the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended. The Organization shall then propose such matter to the Board of Directors to consider deducting Buffer Credits by twenty percent of the amount of certified carbon credits only in respect of the amount of such change in the project's net greenhouse gas storage from the carbon stocks and depositing such Buffer Credits in the buffer credit account in the Organization's carbon credit registry.

**Clause 7** Should any project period be less than forty-five years and the project period expire, the project participant shall be required to submit a Non-permanence Risk Monitoring Report, which has been verified by a validation and verification body for voluntary projects, to the Organization, the submission thereof shall continue every five years until completion of forty-five years from the project start date.

**Clause 8** Should any project participant fail to submit a Non-permanence Risk Monitoring Report within such period prescribed in Clause 7, the Organization shall give a written notice of warning to such project participant to submit the Non-permanence Risk Monitoring Report within ninety days from the due date under Clause 7 or from the date of its receipt of the Organization's notice.

Should the project participant have received such written notice of warning from the Organization, and failed to submit a Non-permanence Risk Monitoring Report within such period prescribed in the first paragraph, the Organization shall be entitled to propose the Board of Directors to consider revoking its Premium T-VER project registration.

**Clause 9** Should there be any event causing the amount of greenhouse gas expected to be stored by the project to be reduced by more than five percent of that designated in the Project Design Document (PDD), the project participant shall notify the Organization within thirty days from the date such event is found or from the date the Organization becomes aware of such event, and the Organization shall be entitled to suspend the project participant's carbon credit account in the Organization's carbon credit registry.

**Clause 10** The project participant shall be required to prepare and submit a Loss Event Report or a Monitoring Report, which has been verified by a validation and verification body for voluntary projects, to the Organization within one year from the date such event is found, the content of which includes a conservative estimate of carbon loss previously certified from an inspection of the entire area affected by such loss event, in the form prescribed by the Organization. Should the project participant fail to submit a Loss Event Report or a Monitoring Report within such specified period, the project participant shall not be eligible to apply for certification of carbon credits from Premium T-VER projects, and the Organization shall be entitled to propose the Board of Directors to consider revoking its Premium T-VER project registration.

**Clause 11** The Organization shall complete its consideration of such Loss Event Report or Monitoring Report within sixty business days from the date of its receipt of such report from the project participant, and shall proceed as follows:

(1) Should no Reversal of Carbon Credits be found, the Organization shall cancel the suspension of the project participant's carbon credit account in the Organization's carbon credit registry.

(2) Should Reversal of Carbon Credits be found, the Organization shall cancel the Buffer Credits in the buffer credit account to compensate the Reversal of Carbon Credits first, and then require the project participant to offset the carbon credits in accordance with the rules on compensation for reversal of carbon credits under Clause 12.

Clause 12 The rules on compensation for reversal of carbon credits shall be as follows:

(1) Avoidable event

(a) The Organization shall compensate for Reversal of Carbon Credits from the Buffer Credits to cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits from such event first and then notify the project participant to offset the carbon credits to cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits from such event.

(b) The project participant shall be obliged to procure carbon credits fully equal to the Reversal of Carbon Credits and deposit the same into the buffer credit account, and once completed, the project participant shall give notice thereof to the Organization, and the Organization shall carry out an inspection to ensure compliance with the rules, and if incorrect, the Organization shall notify the project participant to duly and fully comply therewith.

(2) Unavoidable event

(a) The Organization shall compensate for Reversal of Carbon Credits from the Buffer Credits to cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits from such event first.

(b) Should the project participant still have any Buffer Credits of its project which encounters such loss, but not sufficient to cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits from such event, the Organization shall notify the project participant to offset the carbon credits equal to the amount to be additionally provided to cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits.

(c) The project participant shall be obliged to provide such carbon credits fully equal to the amount to be additionally provided and deposit the same into the buffer credit account, and once completed, the project participant shall give notice thereof to the Organization, and

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the Organization shall carry out an inspection to ensure compliance with the rules, and if incorrect, the Organization shall notify the project participant to duly and fully comply therewith.

The project participant shall be required to complete such offsetting of carbon credits within ninety days from the date of the Board of Directors' consideration, the project participant shall offset such carbon credits as set out in the contract to compensate reversals of carbon credits in the form prescribed by the Organization. In this regard, the project participant shall use, for offsetting purpose, such carbon credits of its Premium T-VER project, and such carbon credits must be from the same project category first, but if insufficient or unavailable, the project participant shall be entitled to use carbon credits from Premium T-VER projects in other project categories which arise during a period not exceeding five years from the date of the Organization.

Should the carbon credits reversed be CORSIA eligible emissions units, such offsetting shall use CORSIA eligible emissions units, which must be in the same project category. In this connection, the project participant shall use carbon credits from its Premium T-VER projects for offsetting first, but if insufficient or unavailable, the project participant shall be entitled to use carbon credits from other standards for offsetting, and such offsetting must cover the Reversal of Carbon Credits as set out in the contract to compensate reversals of carbon credits in the form prescribed by the Organization.

Should the project participant not complete such offsetting of carbon credits within such specified period, the Organization shall cancel carbon credits in the project participant's account in the carbon credit registry for the purpose of offsetting for such event, and propose the Board of Directors to revoke its Premium T-VER project registration.

Upon the project participant's completion of the carbon credit offsetting, the Organization shall cancel the suspension of the project participant's carbon credit account in the Organization's carbon credit registry.

**Clause 13** Should the project participant's Premium T-VER project registration be revoked by the Board of Directors' order pursuant to Clause 28 of the Regulation of the Board of Directors of Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization on Rules, Procedures and Conditions for Consideration of Thailand Voluntary Emission Reduction Program (T-VER) B.E. 2566 (2023), as amended, the project participant shall be required to offset carbon credits equal to such carbon credits certified by the Board of Directors, and deposit the same into the buffer credit account for the Organization, which must be completed within thirty days from the date of its receipt of the Organization's notice, and the Organization shall cancel such Buffer Credits equal to the carbon credits certified by the Board of Directors. **Clause 14** The Executive Director shall have charge and control of the execution of this Announcement.

Should there be any problem regarding compliance with this Announcement, the Executive Director shall be empowered to interpret and make decisions under this Announcement, and such decision of the Executive Director shall be deemed final.

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