

CORSIA Eligible Emissions Unit Programme Change Notification Form

PART A: ABOUT THIS FORM

Once an emissions unit programme is approved by the ICAO Council as eligible to supply CORSIA Eligible Emissions Units, the programme commits to notify the ICAO Secretariat of any “material changes” to its “Scope of Eligibility”, for further review by the Technical Advisory Body (TAB) that advises the ICAO Council on the eligibility of emissions units for use in CORSIA.

*TAB Procedures*¹ defines a “Material Change” as an update to a programme’s *Scope of Eligibility* that would alter the programme’s response(s) to any questions in its application form and further inquiries from the TAB over the course of the programme’s assessment (paragraph 8.4).

Tab Procedures defines a CORSIA Eligible Emissions Unit Programme’s “Scope of Eligibility” as “the extent and limits of a programme’s eligibility, which is defined, assessed, and granted on the basis of the programme-level governance structures, measures or mechanisms, and procedures that programmes have in place at the time of their initial submission of application materials to the ICAO Secretariat; and any updates to these procedures that are communicated to TAB during the course of its assessment; and as defined in the general or programme-specific eligibility parameters set out in TAB’s recommendations” (paragraph 4.5).

Annually, TAB will indicate deadlines for programmes to notify ICAO of any such material changes. These notifications should be submitted by the next deadline after the material change has occurred; the upcoming deadlines are indicated in the version of the *TAB Work Programme and Timeline* document that is currently effective. This document is available on the CORSIA website².

Material changes should be disclosed using this form. TAB will then consider the need for any further review, in line with *TAB Procedures*. If TAB identifies that the change is indeed material and should be further assessed, it will invite public comments on the consistency of the proposed revision with the Emissions Unit Criteria (EUC) and *Guidelines for Criteria Interpretation*. The ICAO Secretariat will inform the programme of TAB’s decision to more deeply assess the programme’s modification, or its confirmation that the modification is consistent with the CORSIA EUC. The programme will also be informed of the date by which the review will be completed. The length of the review should be determined by the severity and scale of the material change.

PART B: PROGRAM CHANGE NOTIFICATION(S)

The Programme is requested to provide the following information regarding any modification(s) to the programme’s *Scope of Eligibility* that could constitute a “material change” as described above. Report each change separately by duplicating (copying and pasting) the table below as needed.

Programme name: Global Carbon Council

CHANGE 1
a. Description of the change (e.g., the addition, modification, deletion undertaken):
The “Standard on Avoidance of Double Claiming of Mitigation Outcomes in Host Country NDCs” has been revised in line with TAB feedback of Nov 2023. This standard contains the provisions and requirements to avoid and address the risk of double claim of issued C+ (phase 1) and CA+ labelled ACCs in host country NDC. This standard provides the solution to address the challenge posed by double claimed ACCs by host country. Details are included in section-d below as well as document containing GCC response to TAB recommendation.
b. Rationale for the change:

¹ In *TAB Procedures*, paragraphs 4.5, 7.5, and 8.2 – 8.6 in particular pertain to the *Scope of Eligibility* and notification and assessment of material changes.

² The *TAB Work Programme and Timeline* and *TAB Procedures* documents are available here: <https://www.icao.int/environmental-protection/CORSIA/Pages/TAB.aspx>

To address the gap in the previous version where the approach of retirement of ACCs from buffer in case of double claiming incidences would not have provided full proof solution to address the environmental integrity. Based on TAB recommendation, new requirements for C+ (phase 1) and CA+ labels are defined to make mainly project owner responsible to compensate for double-claimed ACCs and GCC responsible as a last resort.

c. Where the change is reflected in the Programme's documentation or other resource(s)³:

In the attached "Standard on Avoidance of Double Claiming of Mitigation Outcomes in Host Country NDCs".

d. Information originally submitted to and assessed by TAB that would be altered as a result of this change (copy and paste in the field below); including any and all relevant descriptions or explanations provided by the Programme in its Application Form and accompanying materials and/or in response to any further inquiries from TAB during the course of the assessment(s) that informed TAB recommendations on the Programme's current eligibility:

The following key changes are carried out in the revised "Standard on Avoidance of Double Claiming of Mitigation Outcomes in Host Country NDCs".

1. New requirements pertaining to option-1 and option-2 of issuances of C+ (phase 1) ACCs.
2. Inclusion of Letter of Intent of Host Country at request for registration stage.
3. New simplified buffer guideline that tends to benefit project owners if the host country complies with HCLOA commitment and vice versa.
4. New recovery and compensation procedure with elaborate steps of compensation of doubly claimed ACCs as well as new requirements for GCC Program for being ultimately responsible to fill the gap if any.

e. How the information in "d." would be revised and submitted to any future (re-)assessment process, by updating the information in "d." to reflect any / all modifications to the Programme's original information that result from the change:

The revised standard submitted with this document is approved by GCC Regulatory Committee for submission to TAB and has been made available for public on GCC website. This document will be revised based on the future recommendations of TAB.

CHANGE 2

a. Description of the change (e.g., the addition, modification, deletion undertaken):

Revised "Standard on CORSIA Eligibility of Projects and Issuances" containing consolidated CORSIA requirements for projects seeking C+ label at registration and issuance stages.

Details are included in section-d below as well as document containing GCC response to TAB recommendation.

b. Rationale for the change:

To align the requirements of issuances of C+ Phase 1 ACCs in line with revised "Standard on Avoidance of Double Claiming of Mitigation Outcomes in Host Country NDCs" based on TAB recommendations.

c. Where the change is reflected in the Programme's documentation or other resource(s)⁴:

In the revised "Standard on CORSIA Eligibility of Projects and Issuances" attached with this document.

³ If documents or resources evidencing the change are not publicly available, please include this information in an attachment to this form and clearly identify any business-confidential information.

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The standard contains the reference to option-1 and option-2 of issuance of C+ phase 1 labelled ACCs in line with revised "Standard on Avoidance of Double Claiming of Mitigation Outcomes in Host Country NDCs". The standard covers elaborate requirements for project owners and verifier from project submission stage, registration, issuance, post-issuance and recovery/commendation stage.

In addition, GCC has included the provision for monitoring, reporting, and updating information related to CDM and the software features of its project portal to be able to do so.

All CORSIA Pilot phase requirements included in this standard remain unchanged.

e. How the information in "d." would be revised and submitted to any future (re-)assessment process, by updating the information in "d." to reflect any / all modifications to the Programme's original information that result from the change:

The new standard submitted with this document is approved by GCC Regulatory Committee for submission to TAB and has been made available to public on GCC website. This document will be revised based on the future recommendations of TAB.