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|  | VERRA REGISTRY COMMUNICATIONS AGREEMENTBY[INSERT name of PROJECT PROPONENT 1] [AND][INSERT name of PROJECT PROPONENT 2] [AND][INSERT name of PROJECT PROPONENT 3] [AND[INSERT NAME OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE *(where not appointed from the existing project proponents)*]] |  |

**THIS VERRA REGISTRY COMMUNICATIONS AGREEMENT** is made on [DATE][[1]](#footnote-2)

**BETWEEN**

**[NAME, EMAIL, AND ADDRESS OF PROJECT PROPONENT 1];**

**[NAME, EMAIL, AND ADDRESS OF PROJECT PROPONENT 2];**

**[NAME, EMAIL, AND ADDRESS OF PROJECT PROPONENT 3]**

*[\*\*Insert the paragraph highlighted in green only if the proposed Authorized Representative is not appointed from the existing Project Proponents:\*\*]*

*; and*

**[NAME, EMAIL, AND ADDRESS OF PROPOSED AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE] (the “Authorized Representative”)**

Each, a “Party”, being a “Project Proponent” and, if applicable, the “Authorized Representative”, and together the “Project Proponents” orthe “Parties”, as applicable.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, Verra operates the Verra Registry (the “Registry”);

WHEREAS, each of the Project Proponents are proponents for the same Project;

WHEREAS, the Project Proponents desire to appoint the Authorized Representative to access the Registry and communicate with Verra on their behalf for specified activities related to the Project;

WHEREAS, the Parties may have access to certain confidential information and materials contained in the Registry (the “Confidential Information”); and

WHEREAS, such access to the Registry by the Parties is governed by rights and obligations established by or under the Registry Terms of Use (the “Terms of Use”), the Registry Operating Procedures and such other agreements, manuals and practices of Verra, as applicable (collectively, the “Operative Documents”);

1. INTERPRETATION
	1. In this Agreement:

Unless otherwise defined below, capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the same meaning as in the Terms of Use.

“**Authorized Representative**” means the party identified in this Agreement as authorized to communicate with Verra for the listed scope of activities in accordance with section 2.1.1;”

“**Project**” means [INSERT NAME AND ID OF PROJECT/PROJECTS]

“**Project Documents**” means the documents required to list and assess a project, as set out in therelevant Verra program rules published on the Verra website, to be read in accordance with the Terms of Use of the Verra Registry;

“**Project Ownership**” means the legal right to control and operate the project activities;

“**Project Proponent**” means the individual/s or organization/s that hold overall control and responsibility for the Project, or an individual or organization that together with others, each of which is also a Project Proponent, has overall control or responsibility for the Project. Project Proponents include but are not limited to the entity/entities that can demonstrate Project Ownership in respect of the Project.

**“User”** means a party which uses the Verra Registry on the terms and conditions of the Terms of Use, as amended from time to time.

1. COMMUNICATIONS authority

NOW, THEREFORE, acknowledging that Verra will rely on the truth, accuracy and completeness of the information provided below, the Parties declare:

SCOPE AND EXCLUSIVITY

* 1. Pursuant to a binding, legally enforceable agreement entered into by and between the Parties or otherwise evidenced by the signing of this Agreement (the “Grant of Authority”), the Parties appoint [*Insert the full legal name of the Party appointed as the Authorized Representative.
	If this Party is not one of the existing Project Proponents and is already listed in the “BETWEEN” section above, you may delete the wording in green below*] as the authorized representative (the "Authorized Representative") who is authorized to communicate and transact with Verra on behalf of the Parties with respect to the Project on the following terms:
		1. The Authorized Representative is authorized to undertake the following scope of activities on behalf of the Project Proponents in relation to the Project with regard to the registration of the Project in, and submission of Project-related data to, the Registry: [***DRAFTING NOTE -****DELETE THOSE PERMISSIONS FROM THE SCOPE OF AUTHORIZATION BELOW THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE.*]
			1. communicating with and providing instructions to Verra;
			2. registering Project in the Authorized Representative's Registry Account;
			3. submitting the Project's activity and reports to the Registry;
			4. requesting issuance of Instruments;
			5. making transfers of Instruments;
			6. making payments on behalf of the Project Proponents; and
			7. submitting, discussing, amending and doing any other such necessary thing in relation to reports and documents required from Project Proponents under the Operative Documents as set out and amended from time to time on Verra's website.
		2. Where all options in sections 2.1.1 (A) - (G) are selected, the Authorized Representative shall have all of the applicable rights and responsibilities described in the Operative Documents as if Authorized Representative were one of the Project Proponents.
		3. Verra is authorized to communicate and transact directly and exclusively with Authorized Representative for the scope of activities listed in section 2.1.1; and
		4. Each Project Proponent will abide by any direction duly issued by Verra to the Authorized Representative.

CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES AND LIABILITIES OF THE PROJECT PROPONENTS

* 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Project Proponents is/are not released from and shall remain liable for compliance with all terms and conditions of the Operative Documents, including without limitation indemnification of Verra and the Verra Registry Software Provider, defaults under the Operative Documents committed by the Authorized Representative and payment of all amounts due or to become due under the Operative Documents. Authorized Representative's authorization to make payment of any such amounts hereunder shall not release Project Proponents from Liability for any obligations not satisfied by Authorized Representative, financial or otherwise.

RELIANCE AND INDEMNITY, DUTY TO INFORM, LIABILITY OF WAIVER

* 1. Each Project Proponent recognizes, accepts and intends that Verra and the Verra Registry Software Provider will rely upon the truth, accuracy and completeness of the authority granted herein and matters including but not limited to assuring compliance with the Operative Documents. Each Project Proponent recognizes and accepts that Verra and the Verra Registry Software Provider may suffer losses and damages if any authority is or becomes untrue, invalid, inaccurate or incomplete, or if it expires or is withdrawn, and each agrees to indemnify Verra and the Verra Registry Software Provider for any such losses and damages.
	2. Each Project Proponent has a continuing duty to notify Verra if and when any authority herein ceases to be valid, enforceable, truthful, accurate or complete, or as soon as possible upon learning that any authority was not valid, enforceable, truthful, accurate or complete at the time that it was made.
	3. Until such time as Verra receives written notification of any change to any authority, signed by each of the Project Proponents, or by all them together with certification that the other(s) has/have been notified, Verra shall be entitled to rely on this Agreement as governing its relationship with the Project Proponents with respect to communications with the Registry.
	4. This Agreement may not be terminated by any of the Project Proponents or the Authorized Representative unless and until a new Authorized Representative has been duly appointed by the Project Proponents, and such representative has successfully opened an active and operational Registry Account. The Parties agree that the authority granted to the current Authorized Representative under this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and may not be revoked until Verra has been formally notified that the new Authorized Representative is in place with an active Registry Account.
	5. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create or give rise to any liability on the part of Verra or the Verra Registry Software Provider, and each Project Proponent expressly waive any claims that may arise against Verra and the Verra Registry Software Provider under this Agreement.
	6. The Agreement shall not be construed to modify any Operative Document and in the event of a conflict between this Agreement and an Operative Document, the applicable Operative Document shall control.
1. NOTICE
	1. Any written notice of changes to the declarations herein must be provided to Verra at least thirty (30) days in advance of their effectiveness.
	2. Notice must be given in accordance with the Terms of Use.
2. CONFIDENTIALITY
	1. In the context of Authorized Representative's access to the Registry on behalf of the Project Proponents, Authorized Representative may also have access to certain Confidential Information contained therein. Use of the Confidential Information by Authorized Representative is solely for the performance of the scope of activities listed in section 2.1.1. Authorized Representative shall not access any Confidential Information contained in the Registry for any other purpose, including but not limited to the use, sale or other disposition of said information to any third parties for any reason.
3. REPRESENTATIONs
	1. Each Project Proponent hereby represents and warrants that:
		1. All factual information that is provided in relation to this Agreement is true, accurate and complete in all material respects and I have not made or provided, and will not make or provide, false, fraudulent or misleading statements or information in relation to this Agreement;
	2. Each Project Proponent hereby acknowledges and agrees that:
		1. I have read, understood and will abide by the Operative Documents;
		2. Verra has an absolute right to amend any of the Operative Documents at any time and shall not bear any liability for loss or damage or liability of any kind sustained by a Project Proponent as a consequence of such amendment;
		3. Verra is not aware of, and takes no responsibility for, the private contractual arrangements and property rights between or among the Project Proponents and all Project Proponents bear full responsibility for the continuing validity of such arrangements and rights.
		4. The following persons may rely on and enforce the terms of this Agreement:
			1. Verra;
			2. Verra Registry Software Provider;
			3. each person who is a User with an account in the Registry holding Instruments relating to the Project at any given time;
			4. each person on whose behalf Instruments relating to the Project were retired by a User;
			5. each of the successors and assigns of those persons listed in clauses (a)(c)(c) and (d).
		5. Neither Verra, the Verra Registry Software Provider nor any of their respective affiliates, directors, employees, agents, licensors and/or contractors, shall be liable with respect to any claims whatsoever arising out of this Agreement or erroneous information within the Project Documents submitted to the Registry for indirect, consequential, special, punitive or exemplary damages, including, without limitation, claims brought against Verra or the Verra Registry Software Provider by Users, Project Proponents, Validation/Verification Bodies, Independent Evaluation Experts or any other third party. This paragraph shall apply regardless of any actual knowledge or foreseeability of such damages.
4. Compliance with LAWS

Each of the Parties represents and warrants that it is familiar with and will comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations, relating among others, to anti-corruption, anti-bribery, money laundering, economic and financial sanctions, including those of the United States, the home country of each Party (as applicable), and any other jurisdictions which apply to their respective business activities in connection with this Agreement. Each of the Parties represents and warrants that neither it, nor any of its officers, directors, employees, shareholders, representatives, or agents: (i) is an individual or entity that is or owned or controlled by persons that are the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (“OFAC”), the U.S. Department of State, the United Nations Security Council, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively “Sanctions”); or (ii) will take any action in connection with this Agreement that will cause Verra to violate Sanctions.

1. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by the laws of the District of Columbia, and the courts of the District of Columbia shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute arising from or connected with this Agreement including a dispute regarding the existence, validity or termination of this Agreement or the consequences of its nullity.

1. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

To the extent that a Project Proponent enjoys any right of immunity from set-off, suit, execution, attachment or other legal process with respect to its assets or its obligations under this Agreement, each Project Proponent waives all such rights to the fullest extent permitted by law.

1. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered is an original and all of which together evidence the same Agreement.

1. DELIVERY and Effect

This Agreement is delivered and effective on the date written at the start of the Agreement.

1. electronic transactions

To the extent permitted by law, for the purposes of this Agreement, Parties understand and agree that any document that is signed, executed, or submitted electronically will have the same force of law as if the same process had been conducted using physical documents.

**EXECUTED** by [PROJECT PROPONENT 1] as an Agreement

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**EXECUTED** by [PROJECT PROPONENT 2] as an Agreement

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**EXECUTED** by [PROJECT PROPONENT 3] as an Agreement

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*[Where the Authorized Representative is not one of the Project Proponents]* **EXECUTED** by [AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE] as an Agreement

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1. Drafting note: Fill in yellow highlighted text. Where there are more or less than three Project Proponents, this Agreement may be updated accordingly. Remove all highlight formatting before submission. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)