VM0006 Carbon Accounting for Mosaic and Landscape-scale REDD Projects, v2.1

Errata and Clarifications

This document provides errata and clarifications applicable to VM0006 Carbon Accounting for Mosaic and Landscape-scale REDD Projects, v2.1. Such errata and clarifications are effective on their issuance date. Project proponents and validation/verification bodies shall apply and interpret VM0006, v2.1 consistent with the errata and clarifications set out in this document.

These errata and clarifications will be incorporated into the next issued version of VM0006.

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Background:
Section 4.1.1 of VM0006 Carbon Accounting for Mosaic and Landscape-scale REDD Projects, v2.1 sets out the applicability conditions with respect to land conditions. However, two of the applicability conditions in this section are in fact data requirements for determining the baseline scenario, and are therefore not necessarily appropriate as applicability conditions. Moreover, the requirements set out by these applicability conditions are covered in Sections 8.1.2.1 and 8.1.2.7, respectively. The relevant applicability conditions are as follows:

- Accurate data on past LULC and forest cover in the reference region must be available for at least three points in time, with at least one remote sensing image (ie, data) from 0-3 years before the project start date, at least one image from 4-9 years before the project start date, and at least one image from 10-15 years before the project start date. No images older than 15 years can be used for the historical reference period.
- The classification accuracy of LULC and forest cover maps must be greater than 70%. Emission reductions and/or removals from avoided forest degradation can only be included if the accuracy of determining forest strata is at least 70%.

Erratum:
Since the above are not necessarily appropriate as applicability conditions, they are removed from Section 4.1.1 (the Applicability Conditions section). The relevant language discussing the respective requirements will remain in Section 8.1.2.1 and 8.1.2.7 and read as is.