Statement of CCB Standards Compliance

Katingan Peatland Restoration and Conservation Project

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Validation Scope

The SCS Greenhouse Gas Verification Program has conducted a validation audit of the "Katingan Peatland Restoration and Conservation Project" against the requirements of the Climate Community Biodiversity Alliance (CCBA) Project Design Standards Third Edition. SCS conducted both desk and field based assessment activities in its evaluation of the project. SCS used the client-supplied project documentation as the basis for its evaluation.

Validation Opinion

Based on the results of our validation activities, it is our opinion that the project meets the quality standard defined by CCBA. The "Katingan Peatland Restoration and Conservation Project" conforms to the 14 Required CCB Criteria. The project also conforms to the optional Exceptional Community Benefits and Exceptional Biodiversity Benefits CCB Criteria, qualifying the project for Gold Level.

Project's Climate Community and Biodiversity Benefits (from Project Design Document):

The Katingan Project seeks to protect and restore 149,800 hectares of peatland ecosystems, to offer local people sustainable sources of income, and to tackle global climate change – all based on a solid business model. The project area stores vast amounts of CO2, and plays a vital role in stabilizing water flows, preventing devastating peat fires, enriching soil nutrients and providing clean water. It is rich in biodiversity, being home to large populations of many high conservation value species, including some of the world's most endangered; such as the Bornean Orangutan (Pongo pygmaeus) and Proboscis Monkey (Nasalis larvatus). It is surrounded by villages for which it supports traditional livelihoods including farming, fishing, and non-timber forest products harvesting. The project's expected CCB benefits include: A) Climate benefits

- Average 7,451,846 tons of GHG emission reductions annually through avoided deforestation and forest degradation, prevention of peat drainage and fires

- Ecological enhancement at the landscape scale through ecosystem restoration

B) Community benefits

- Improved quality of life and reduced poverty of the project-zone communities through a creation of sustainable livelihoods options and economic opportunities

- Stronger community resilience through increased capacity to cope with socio-ecological risks

- Enhanced ecosystem services for the overall well-being of the project-zone communities through ecosystem restoration

C) Biodiversity benefits

- Stabilized and healthy populations of faunal and floral species in the project zone by eliminating drivers of deforestation and forest degradation

- Enhanced natural habitats and ecological integrity through ecosystem restoration





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