PROCEDURE FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND CO-OPERATION WITH THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES FOR ACCREDITATION OF GHG VERIFIERS ACCORDING TO ELOT EN ISO 14065:2022 AND REGULATION (EU) No 2067/2018

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Effective cooperation between ESYD and Competent Autorities (CA) (for Greece or of other Member States where the accredited verifier carries out ETS verification), is essential for the proper functioning of the greenhouse gas emission allowance scheme and the supervision on the quality of verification.

In accordance with the Chapter VI of COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2018/2067, ESYD will organize and monitor the following exchange of information. Information exchanges between ESYD and other authorities, bodies, verifiers and operators should be governed by the strictest guarantees of confidentiality and professional secrecy and be handled in accordance with applicable Greek and Union law.

ESYD use the templates delivered by the Commission for the Information Exchange.

1. Information exchange from ESYD to the CAs

1.1. Accreditation work programme

ESYD reminds to all the accredited verifiers and those accredited by other National Accreditation Bodies but carry out verification in Greece, until 15 of June asking at least for the following information:

(a) the planned time and place of the verifications that the verifier is scheduled to perform;

(b) the address and contact details of the operators or aircraft operators whose emissions or tonne-kilometre reports are subject to its verification.

ESYD collects the information by 15 of November and if any change occur within an agreed timeframe. By 31 December each year an accreditation work program for the next year and all the relevant information, will be sent from ESYD to each CA where Verifiers accredited by ESYD are established or carry out verification activities, according to Article 70 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018. The information contains at least:

(a) the anticipated time and place of the verification;

(b) information on activities that the national accreditation body has planned for that verifier, in particular surveillance and reassessment activities;

(c) dates of anticipated witnessing audits to be performed by the national accreditation body to assess the verifier including the address and contact

details of operators or aircraft operators that will be visited during the witness audit;

(d) information on whether the national accreditation body has requested the national accreditation body from the Member State in which the verifier is performing the verification, to carry out surveillance activities.

1.2. Management report

By 1 June each year ESYD sends a management report to CAs where Verifiers Verifiers accredited by ESYD are established or carry out verification activities, according to Article 71 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018 containing:

(a) accreditation details of verifiers that were newly accredited by that national accreditation body, including the scope of accreditation for these verifiers;

(b) any changes to the scope of accreditation for these verifiers;

(c) summarised results of surveillance and reassessment activities carried out by the national accreditation body;

(d) summarised results of extraordinary assessments that have taken place, including reasons for initiating such extraordinary assessments;

(e) any complaints filed against the verifier since the last management report and the actions taken by the national accreditation body.

1.3. Administrative measures imposed by ESYD to Verifiers

1.3.1. Suspension, withdrawal and reduction of accreditation

At any time, ESYD informs CAs where Verifiers accredited by ESYD are established or carry out verification activities, for administrative measures for verifiers according to Article 72 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018.

Where ESYD imposes administrative measures on verifiers according to Article 72 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018, ESYD informs CA of the Member State where the verifier is accredited or carries out verification activities according to the Article 73 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018.

The information contains suspension, withdrawal or reduction imposed to any of the verifiers accerited by ESYD according to the Regulation ESYD RA.

1.3.2. Measures after Information received from a CA

ESYD handles as a Complaint according to ESYD DPROPARAM, any information considered as Non Compliance, received from any CA where verifiers accredited by ESYD are established or carry out verification activities according to Article 75 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018. In such cases ESYD reports within three months to the afformentioned CAs about the administrative measures imposed on the verifier accredited by ESYD.

2. Information exchange between ESYD and other National Accreditation Bodies

2.1. Information exchange on administrative measures according to Article 72

ESYD shall inform the the national accreditation body of each Member State where the verifier is carrying out verifications about imposed administrative measures on the verifier pursuant to Articles 54 and 72 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018. According to Articles 54 and 72, ESYD may suspend, withdraw or reduce an accreditation of a verifier where the verifier does not meet the requirements of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018.

2.2. Report of findings from a surveillance *of ESYD to another national accreditation body*

Once ESYD is requested to carry out surveillance activities on behalf of another National Accretidation Body, ESYD informs that Body for the findings of the surveillance of the verifier accredited by that National Accreditation Body according to Article 74 of the Impl. Regulation EU 2067/2018.

In a similar way, when a National Accreditation Body of a Member State where a verifier accredited by ESYD carries out verification activities informs ESYD about non conformities issued to that verifier, ESYD informs the other National Accreditation Body about :

(a) what action has been taken by the national accreditation body that has accredited the verifier;

(b) where appropriate, how the findings were resolved by the verifier;

(c) where relevant, what administrative measures have been imposed on the verifier.

3. Information provided by ESYD to the Public

ESYD establishes a list of accredited ETS verifiers, comprising at least the following data:

(a) name and address of each verifier accredited by ESYD;

(b) the Member States in which the verifier is carrying out verification;

(c) each verifier's scope of accreditation;

(d) the date on which the accreditation was granted and the due expiry date of the accreditation;

(e) any information on administrative measures that have been imposed on the verifier.

This list is regularly updated whenever changes in the accreditation status of the ETS verifiers occur. This information shall be updated in a regular basis and must be publicly available.