

Decision

on the eligibility
of an applicant carbon-crediting program
GB_P-PURO.FARTH_2025_8

NAME OF PROGRAM: PURO.EARTH

SOC recommends to the Governing Board the following Decision for its consideration:

a) Approve the carbon-crediting program as CCP-Eligible¹

For Production Facilities Certified under Puro Standard General Rules v4.2 or later

¹ Note: In accordance with Section 2.17 of the Assessment Procedure, where the Integrity Council identifies issues that require changes to the carbon-crediting program's program documents, or other carbon-crediting program processes in order to meet the CCPs and the criteria and requirements of the Assessment Framework, the Secretariat will notify the carbon-crediting program of the required changes. These may be classified as minor changes, such that approval is not subject to completion of those changes.



Rationale for Decision

In accordance with the Assessment Procedure, the Integrity Council has considered the Application by the carbon-crediting program, <u>Puro Earth</u>, and its standard and documentation related to Puro Standard General Rules v4.2, the draft Assessment Report for adherence to part I and to CORSIA requirements of part II of the Assessment.²

Following a thorough review of the application, additional information was sought from and provided by the Program in order to determine adherence with the requirements.

During the assessment and clarification process, the Program has introduced amendments to its rules in order to align with the requirements of the Assessment Framework. These include the following:

- 1. On requirement 1.1 4) and 1.1 5): information on decision-making was made public via the governance mechanism.
- 2. On requirement 1.2 2): Stakeholder engagement requirement was modified to reflect how the notification system works and how stakeholders will be engaged.
- 3. On requirement 1.2 3): the ongoing feedback mechanism ensures that feedback is documented and disclosed to stakeholders.
- 4. On requirement 2.1 4) and 2.1 5): Registry description updated to specify how the CCP label will be implemented and how the tracking and transfer process is designed.
- 5. On requirement 3.1 a) and b): Puro General rules updated to clarify the project documents publicly available and the process to request missing documents.
- 6. On requirements 4.1 1), 4.1 3): clarification introduced regarding VVB accreditation process under Puro Program.
- 7. On requirement 4.1 12): clarification introduced to require the complete reassessment of reactivated activities.
- 8. On requirement 4.1 a) 2): provisions to report poor VVB performance have been included.
- 9. On requirement 7.1 1) 7.11 a) 3): Clarifications and significant enhancements were made to the Safeguards section to strengthen sustainable development safeguards and benefits. These include making the Environmental and Social Safeguards Questionnaire mandatory and subject to audit, expanding provisions on labour rights, gender equality, biodiversity, and the rights of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, and incorporating environmental and social monitoring within Output Reports and verification audits.
- 10. On requirement 9.1 8): Standard updated to specify the number of days to notify a reversal event.

² See Part I of the Assessment Framework. The carbon-crediting program application can be found here.

The leakage requirements and reversals risk assessment will be further examined under Category assessment.

After assessing the supplemental information and the amendments introduced, Puro was found to satisfy the requirements of the Assessment Framework. Puro is recommended for approval as a CCP-Eligible program for Production Facilities certified under version 4.2 or later of the Puro Standard General Rules.

Decision Timeline

Date of Application Submission	21 March 2024
Date of Completeness Check	16 May 2024
Date Assessment Complete	06 October 2025
Date of Standards Oversight Committee Recommendation for Decision	25 November 2025
Date of Board Decision	4 December 2025