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Public consultation on REDD+ projects

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From: Cercarbono's Voluntary Carbon Certification Programme

To: Holders and developers of REDD+ CCMPs and authorised Validation and Verification

Bodies in Cercarbono.

The Cercarbono's Voluntary Carbon Certification Programme communicates to holders and developers of REDD+ Climate Change Mitigation Projects (CCMPs) and to the Validation and Verification Bodies (VVBs) authorised in our Programme that, due to the complexity of the formulation and development of REDD+ projects, based on the principle of transparency and the need for effective stakeholder participation, it has decided that from today **Section 8.2** - **Public Consultation of the Cercarbono's Protocol, Version 4.1**, comes into validity. This decision applies to CCMPs that:

- Are in the formulation stage and have a registry ID on the EcoRegistry platform.
- Have started or are in the validation stage with a VVB.

The public consultation process will strengthen the design and transparency of REDD+ projects, and the final version of the Project Description Document (PDD) to be validated. The consultation will last for 30 solar days and after this period, EcoRegistry will generate a compilation of comments that the developer must respond to within a maximum of 15 solar days, which will be published in the project notes section in each of the CCMPs. These comments must be inserted in their entirety, together with the developer's responses to them, in the final version of the PDD.

In addition, CCMPs that have been inactivated in the EcoRegistry platform cannot be re-registered under the same or another name.

The above is intended to generate greater confidence on the part of voluntary carbon market actors in certified REDD+ projects.

With warm regards,

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