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Accreditation Criteria

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0.0 Foreword

The Government of India and the Indian Industry came together in 1996 to establish a national accreditation system as per international standards in response to the need of the industry and the certification bodies of Management Systems (QMS, EMS and other Management Systems). who were largely dependent on the accreditation systems of Europe and US at the time.

A Council with representation from Government, Industry, Certification Bodies, Non Government Organizations (NGOs), etc. was formed in January, 1997 and named as the Quality Council of India (QCI). This Council was entrusted with the task of establishing the accreditation structure and the associated systems in India equivalent to international standards. A National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) (hereafter referred as Board) was established to implement the accreditation of the Certification/Inspection Bodies by QCI with a mandate to represent Indian accreditation at the international fora.

NABCB has established the required accreditation system and has already published Accreditation Criteria and related documents for Conformity Assessment Bodies for QMS, EMS, FSMS, ISMS, ITSMS, OHSMS, Medical Devices QMS, EnMS, TDRMS, Product Certification and Inspection. This document sets out the Accreditation Criteria for Validation and Verification Bodies (VVBs) to provide Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Validation and Verification services as per requirements of ISO 14064 (Parts 1, 2 and 3) or any GHG Programmes that are based on 14064 series of standards.

NABCB has adopted ISO 14065:2013 as the criteria for accreditation for VVBs to facilitate harmonization of Validation and Verification services in India with the international standards and to facilitate equivalence of the outcome of the work of the VVBs by signing of mutual/multilateral agreements with other accreditation bodies and/or countries at regional and international forums in future as appropriate.

1.0 Scope

This document specifies the requirements that a Validation and Verification Body providing GHG validation and verification services shall meet if it is to be recognized by the Board as competent and reliable in GHG Validation and Verification.

2.0 Criteria

The Validation and Verification Bodies seeking accreditation shall comply with the requirements specified in **ISO 14065:2013 - “Greenhouse gases - Requirements for greenhouse gas validation and verification bodies for use in accreditation or other forms of recognition”**.

Note: A copy of the ISO 14065 can be obtained from the Bureau of Indian Standards as adopted Indian Standard or from ISO Secretariat.



3.0 Guidance on the Requirements of ISO 14065

The Board has adopted the IAF Mandatory Document, **IAF MD 6:2014**, for the Application of ISO 14065 as addition to the accreditation criteria.

If any further clarifications beyond ISO 14065 and IAF MD 6 are required, the same shall be issued by the Board on a case to case basis.

4.0 Scopes of accreditation

The scopes of accreditation shall be in accordance with IAF Mandatory Document, **IAF MD 14:2014** - Application of ISO/IEC 17011 in Greenhouse Gas Validation and Verification (ISO 14065:2013).

5.0 Validation and Verification of GHG assertions

The accreditation requirements specified in this document are for the VVBs that carry out validation and verification by applying the requirements as specified in ISO 14064-3:2006 “Specification with guidance for the validation and verification of greenhouse gas assertions” as prescribed in ISO 14065.

6.0 Accreditation for a specific GHG programme

If any VVB is seeking accreditation for a specific GHG programme, the requirements of GHG programme shall be considered as additional to the NABCB criteria specified. In considering accreditation for any GHG programme, NABCB may prescribe a policy in addition to the accreditation requirements contained in this document. NABCB reserves the right to offer or not to offer accreditation for GHG programmes based on its criteria and policy.



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