



Supporting Document

Overview of Changes SBP Standard 6: Energy and Carbon Balance Calculation

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No.	SBP Standard 6 v2.0	Revision	SBP Standard 6 v2.1	Rationale for change
1. General Principles				
1.1	All calculations shall be supported by documented evidence, which shall be available for verification by the CB.	No change	All calculations shall be supported by documented evidence, which shall be available for verification by the CB.	N/A
2. GHG calculations				
2.1	Energy and carbon balance calculations shall be undertaken in compliance with the relevant SBP Instruction Documents on energy and carbon balance calculations, according to the relevant market.	No change	Energy and carbon balance calculations shall be undertaken in compliance with the relevant SBP Instruction Documents on energy and carbon balance calculations, according to the relevant market.	N/A
2.2	For markets that set GHG emissions savings requirements, the Organisation shall calculate the GHG emissions savings in compliance with the methodology described in the relevant Instruction Document of this SBP Standard 6, using either a GHG emissions calculator approved by the SBP Secretariat or by the relevant national authority. The CB will verify the calculations.	No change	For markets that set GHG emissions savings requirements, the Organisation shall calculate the GHG emissions savings in compliance with the methodology described in the relevant Instruction Document of this SBP Standard 6, using either a GHG emissions calculator approved by the SBP Secretariat or by the relevant national authority. The CB will verify the calculations.	N/A
2.3	When the Organisation communicates aggregated GHG emissions data to SBP at the transfer point to the next legal owner (in gCO ₂ eq/MJ), the Organisation shall use the methodology described in the relevant Instruction Document of this SBP Standard 6.	No change	When the Organisation communicates aggregated GHG emissions data to SBP at the transfer point to the next legal owner (in gCO ₂ eq/MJ), the Organisation shall use the methodology described in the relevant Instruction Document of this SBP Standard 6.	N/A

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2.4	When the End-user communicates aggregated CO2 emissions savings to SBP, the Organisation shall use % of the applicable GHG reference.	No change	When the End-user communicates aggregated CO2 emissions savings to SBP, the Organisation shall use % of the applicable GHG reference.	N/A