Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol
Version 2.1
ERRATA AND CLARIFICATIONS

The Climate Action Reserve (Reserve) published its Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol Version 2.1 in June 2016. While the Reserve intends for the Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol V2.1 to be a complete, transparent document, it recognizes that correction of errors and clarifications will be necessary as the protocol is implemented and issues are identified. This document is an official record of all errata and clarifications applicable to the Nitric Acid Production Project Protocol V2.1.¹

Per the Reserve’s Program Manual, both errata and clarifications are considered effective on the date they are first posted on the Reserve website. The effective date of each erratum or clarification is clearly designated below. All listed and registered nitric acid production projects must incorporate and adhere to these errata and clarifications when they undergo verification. The Reserve will incorporate both errata and clarifications into future versions of the protocol.

All project developers and verification bodies must refer to this document to ensure that the most current guidance is adhered to in project design and verification. Verification bodies shall refer to this document immediately prior to uploading any Verification Statement to assure all issues are properly addressed and incorporated into verification activities.

If you have any questions about the updates or clarifications in this document, please contact Policy at policy@climateactionreserve.org or (213) 891-1444 x3.

¹ See Section 4.3.4 of the Climate Action Reserve Program Manual for an explanation of the Reserve’s policies on protocol errata and clarifications. “Errata” are issued to correct typographical errors. “Clarifications” are issued to ensure consistent interpretation and application of the protocol. For document management and program implementation purposes, both errata and clarifications are contained in this single document.
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Section: 7.4 Reporting Period and Verification Cycle

Context: Section 7.4 states that reporting periods cannot exceed 12 months, and no more than 12 months of emission reductions can be verified at once, except during the project's first verification, which could include historical data. However, the protocol does not address circumstances when a campaign length exceeds a 12 month reporting period. While the protocol allows for sub-campaign verifications, it is preferable to allow for project developers to report on and verify full campaigns. Further, the provision for the first verification was only relevant for projects already underway at the time of protocol adoption and is no longer necessary.

Clarification: The language in Section 7.4 shall be amended as follows:

A reporting period cannot exceed 12 months, and no more than 12 months of emission reductions can be verified at once, except when a single campaign exceeds 12 months, in which case the reporting period may be extended to match the length of the campaign.

One site visit is required per verification or per year, whichever is less frequent.