



The Rainforest Alliance

VALIDATION STATEMENT

for

Pax Natura Foundation

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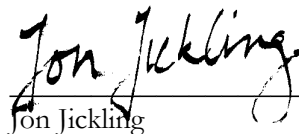
United States of America

Validation Scope: The Rainforest Alliance has validated that Pax Natura Foundation's Programmatic Project for the Payment for Environmental Services Mitigation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions through Avoided Deforestation of Tropical Rainforests on Privately-owned Lands in High Conservation Value Areas of Costa Rica Central Volcanic Range Conservation Area, Cartago y Limón, Costa Rica' is in compliance with *Climate, Community and Biodiversity Project Design Standards, First Edition, May 2005* at the Gold level of approval. The project payment period is planned for ten years beginning in 2009. The project area may include up to 12,000 hectares, although the full extent will rely the voluntary enrollment of land owners within the project.

Validation Registration Code: RA-VAL-CCB-011409

Date of validity: October 28, 2009 to October 27, 2014

The period of validity of this statement is contingent upon the project's continued implementation of the *Climate, Community and Biodiversity Project Design Standards, First Edition, May 2005* standard and as further defined in the Rainforest Alliance Validation Audit Report dated October 28, 2009. Compliance shall be verified by the Rainforest Alliance according to the defined audit schedule.



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