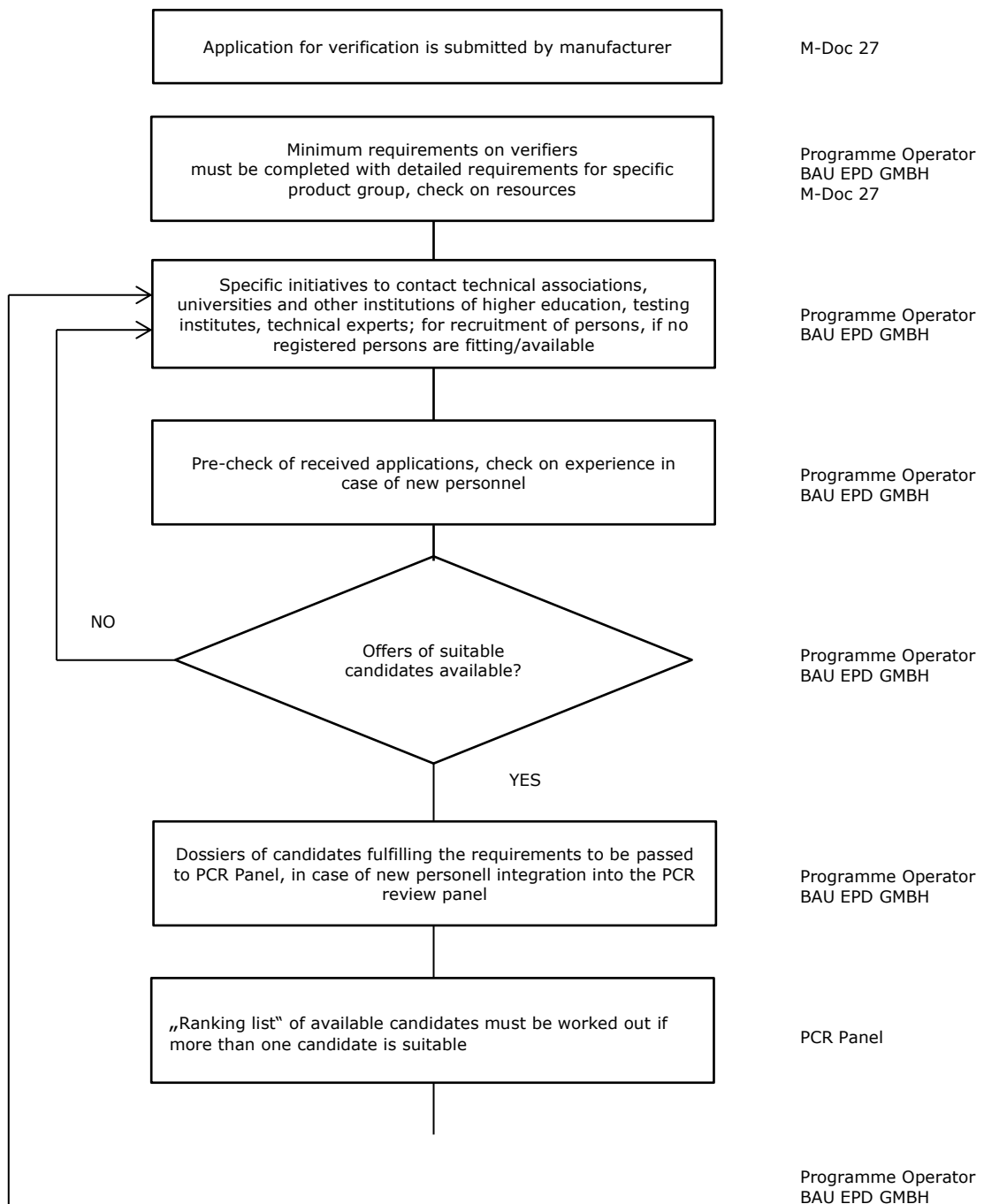
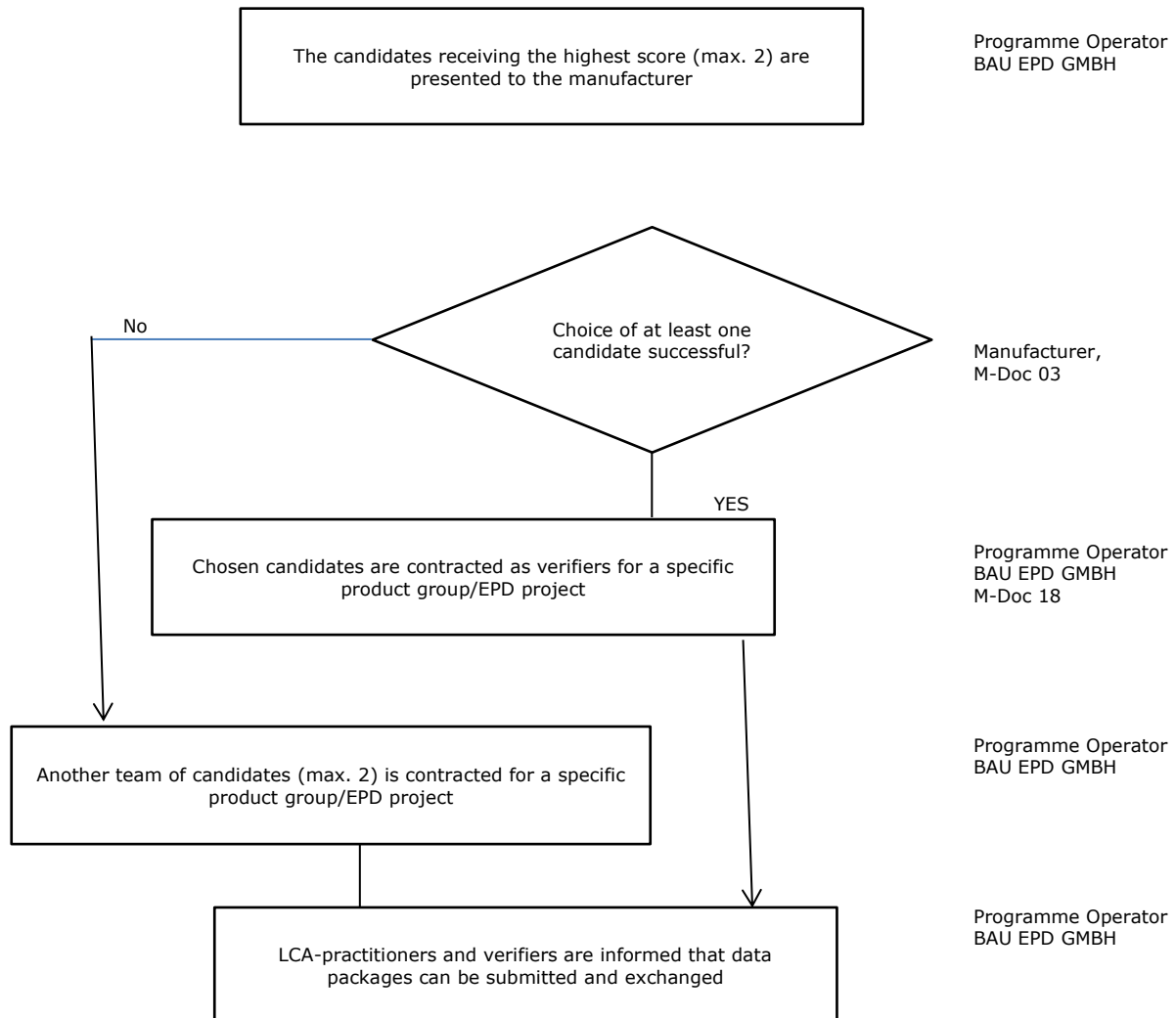


## Procedure of evaluation of verifiers

### Tracking of versions

Version	Comment	date
1.0	Introduction of version numbers, complete revision and adaptation of the document, renaming of document title to fulfil requirements on an accredited body as per ISO 17065	2022-04-20





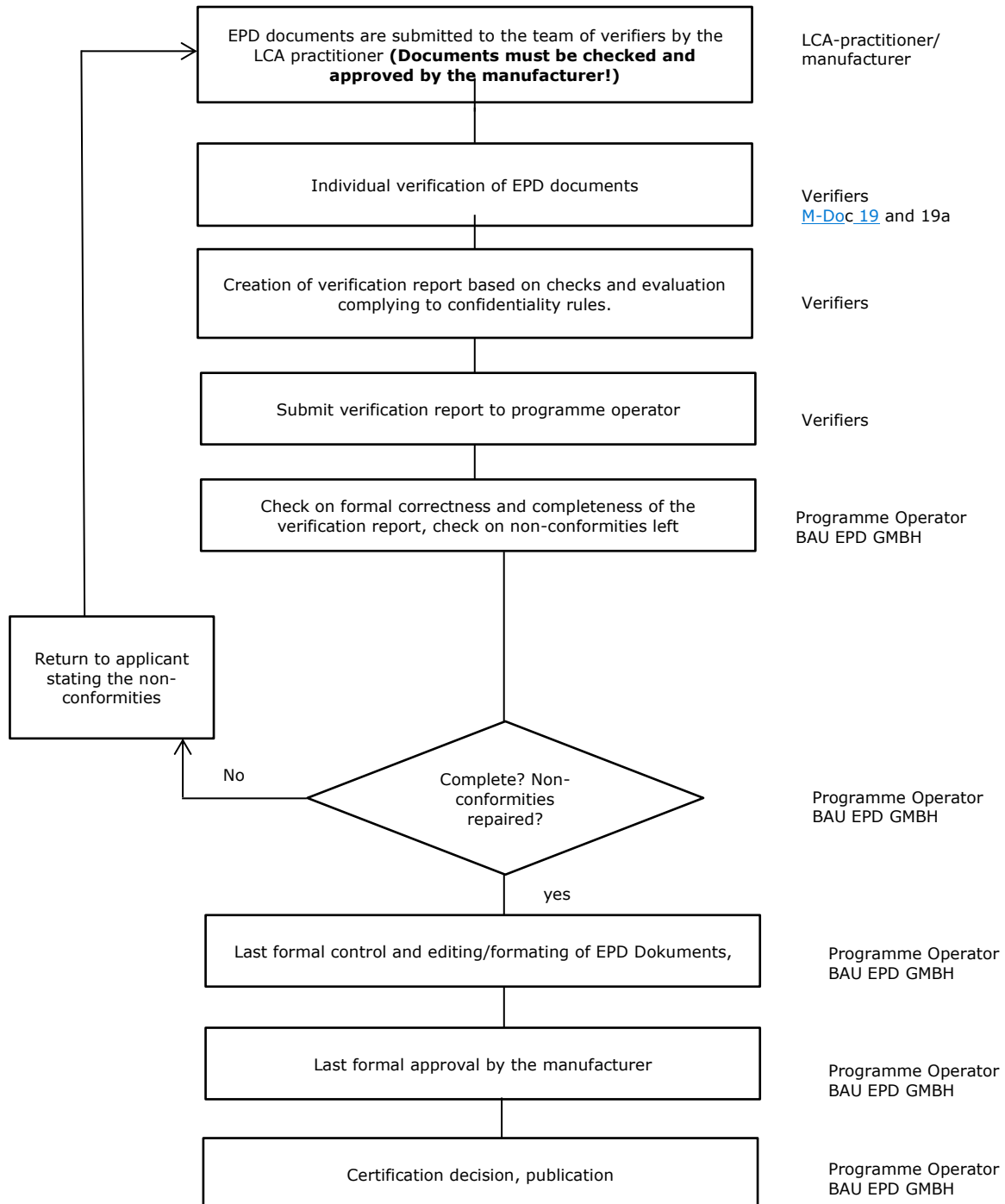
**Note 1: Bias**

Manufacturers can reject verifiers in case they can justify bias. The verifier shall not carry out any consulting service in the same project or related project for the manufacturer or have any other personal or employment relation to the client or its partners. The verifier shall not be or have been acting as an expert in cases of dispute concerning the manufacturer.

**Note 2: Over-familiarity**

To avoid over-familiar relations between verifiers and LCA-practitioners over time, the EPD projects of LCA-practitioners must be verified by different teams of verifiers from time to time. Teams of verifiers should be changed after 15 years (3-times of verification of an EPD) if it is always developed by the same LCA-practitioner and this practitioner is not checked by other team members in other EPD projects. It is sufficient to change one person in the team of verifiers. A good mixture should be granted over time.

**Procedure of verification:**



Note for extension/re-issuing of EPD after 5 years:

1 year before expiration of validity manufacturers are asked by the programme operator if they expect a seamless extension. In case that adaptations are needed, new contracts must be signed and the procedure start with the application for verification.