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Dear Stakeholders,

Public Notification on upcoming RSPO Initial Certification assessment of ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI and its independent smallholders, in Pelabuhan Dagang, Gemuruh, Taman Raja, Pematang Tembesu, Lubuk Bernai Village, Tungkal Ulu and Batang Asam Sub-District, Tanjung Jabung Barat District, Jambi Province, Indonesia.

ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI (APBML) has applied to PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia for assessment of one of their holdings against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) for Group Certification of FFB Production, RSPO Accreditation and Certification Requirements for Group Certification of FFB Production. The assessment shall be carried out by a qualified team of auditors to assess legal, environmental, economical, safety and social aspects as covered by the RSPO P&C.

ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI (APBML) is an organization of independent smallholders, held in Jambi Province, and registered in deed of notary public No. 10 date March 22nd 2018 named ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI (APBML). This organization held to create the welfare for its outgrowers and to promote sustainable palm oil in Jambi Province. ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI (APBML) has more than 218 independent smallholders in 620.51 ha plantation area. ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI (APBML) has also registered as RSPO member on June 5th 2018 with Member ID Number 1-0254-18-000-00 dan RSPO Palmtrace Member ID : RSPO_PO1000009885.

Scope of assessment:

The RSPO Initial Certification assessment of ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI in Jambi is scheduled to commence from October 7th – 12th 2019. The assessment shall be carried out for ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI and palm oil plantation of its independent smallholders. The details of the organization to be assessed are as follows:

Name of Independent Smallholders Group	Location	Total of Member (person)	Area Summary (Ha)	Average Annual FFB Production (Tonnes)
DUSUN 1	DESA TAMAN RAJA	25	90.8	115.8
DUSUN2	DESA TAMAN RAJA	16	56.21	29.9
SEJAHTERA	DESA LUBUK BERNAI	69	196.80	182.27
LESTARI TANI MANDIRI	DESA PEMATANG TEMBESU	33	87.50	115.3
HIJAU TALANG LESTARI	DESA GEMURUH	28	71.30	72.96
BERKAH SAWIT	DESA TRANS SUBAN	10	43.88	59.25
MELAWAI SEJAHTERA	DESA PELABUHAN DAGANG	25	50.23	78.02
SEJAHTERA BERSAMA	DESA LUBUK BERNAI	12	23.79	31.6
TOTAL		218	620.51	685.1



* Data from January until December 2018. Data presented is provided by the organization and will be verified during the certification audit.

Assessment Team:

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The assessment team assigned for the certification assessment of ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI is as follows:

Lead auditor: M Fundy Cholis Kurniawan (High Conservation Value, Occupational Health and Safety, Green House Gasses, Transparency, SCCS)

Auditors: Ade Sudiana (Good Agriculture Practices, QMS, Agrochemical, Environmenta), Efrida (Workers, Social, Local Communities, and External Stakeholders) and Suriadi Ali (training, Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety)

Invitation to all stakeholders:

As a part of the certification assessment procedure we invite stakeholders to offer comments and feedback (if any) on ASOSIASI PETANI BERKAH MANDAH LESTARI in relation to the relevant RSPO P&C for Group Certification, INA- National Interpretation RSPO P & C for Independent Smallholders, RSPO Accreditation and Certification Requirements for Group Certification on any of the following issues:

- Environmental protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunities for employment, earning fair wages, overtime and piece-rated work Company approach to community development
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
 - Community development
 - Land acquisition process
- Free, prior and informed consent
- Other matters pertaining to RSPO



Your comments or observations can be communicated to us through either a meeting with assessment team member during the fieldwork or submitting written comments by email, fax or regular mail to contact details below. Comments submitted within 30 days from the date of this notification shall be considered during the certification assessment. However, your input will be welcome at any stage of the assessment process. Unless you request otherwise, these comments will be kept confidential and made available to only PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia, and the RSPO Board.

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,

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