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Dear Stakeholders,

Public Notification on upcoming RSPO Certification Assessment of PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota-Sikarakara Palm Oil Mill and its Supply Base, Sikarakara Estate and KUD Sumber Usaha smallholder scheme, located at Mandailing Natal, North Sumatera Province, Indonesia.

PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota has applied to TUV Rheinland Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. for assessment of one of their holdings against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil Principles and Criteria – Indonesian National Interpretation (INA-NI). 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.

PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota owns and operates 1 mill i.e. Sikarakara Palm Oil mill for processing the crop from Sikarakara estates located in Mandailing Natal District, North Sumatera, Province. Sikarakara estate, which supplies to Sikarakara Mill, has a total area of 5,556 Ha (including estate area of 4,956 Ha + smallholder area of 600 Ha), including a total planted area of 5,214 Ha (4,614 Ha in the estate and 600 Ha in the smallholder scheme), and total production is 46,487 tonnes per year. PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota is a member of RSPO and has been actively involved in the each Roundtable international conference. PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota Mill has been implementing a program to achieve RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil for all its production since June 2012.

## Scope of assessment:

The RSPO certification assessment will cover Sikarakara Palm Oil Mill and its supply base, Sikarakara estate and KUD Sumber Usaha smallholder scheme, and is scheduled to commence from 16 to 21 June 2014. The assessment shall be carried out for 1 (one) Palm Oil Mill, 1 (one) estate and 1 (one) smallholder cooperative under PT Rimba Mujur Mahkota. The details of the palm oil mill and estates to be assessed are as follows:

Estates to be included in the main assessment:								
Name of Estate	Location of Estate	GPS Location		Area summary		Average		
		Latitude	Longitude	Total (Ha)	Planted (Ha)	Annual FFB Production (ton/year)		
Sikarakara estate	Sikarakara Village Natal, Sub District, Mandailing Natal District, North Sumatera, Indonesia	00° 39' 30.8"	99 <sup>0</sup> 05' 42.6"	4,956	4,614	22		
Smallholder KUD Sumber Usaha	Sikarakara Village Natal, Sub District, Mandailing Natal District, North Sumatera, Indonesia	0° 43' 692'	99° 06' 396'	600	600	24.70		
TOTAL					5,214			

Note: Data is from January until December 2013. All data is provided by the organization undergoing assessment and will be verified during the on-site assessment.



Name of Mill	Location	GPS Location		Average Annual Output		Mill
		Latitude	Longitude	CPO (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel (Tonnes)	Capacity (Ton/ Hour)
Sikarakara Palm Oil Mill	Sikarakara Village Natal, Sub District, Mandailing Natal District, North Sumatera	00 <sup>0</sup> 40' 19.4"	99 <sup>0</sup> 05' 31.2"	46,487	10,353	45

Data from January until December 2013 CPO output higher because some of FFB supplied from out growers.

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## **Assessment Team**

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The assessment team assigned for the certification assessment of Sikarakara Palm Oil Mill and Sikarakara estate are as follows:

Lead auditor: Hendra Fachrurozy (Legal, Environment, Conservation, Supply Chain)

Auditors:

For Social and Stakeholders issue: Fadli

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## Invitation to all stakeholders:

As a part of the certification assessment procedure we invite stakeholders to offer comments and feedback (if any) on Sikarakara Palm Oil Mill, Sikarakara estate and the smallholder scheme in relation to the relevant RSPO Principles and Criteria as per the Indonesian National Interpretation (RSPO INA-NI) 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 TUV Rheinland Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., and the RSPO Board.



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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,

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