

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION REGARDING THE CERTIFICATION AUDIT OF PALMACEITE S.A. ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE RSPO PRINCIPLES & CRITERIA

Dear Sir or Madam,

IBD Certificações informs that the company **Palmaceite S.A. (1-0129-12-000-00)** is now in the application process for **RSPO Principles & Criteria Certification** related to the production of sustainable palm oil production. The audit is scheduled to take place between August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of 2017.

Palmaceite S.A.			
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	Santa Marta Colombia		
Contact person	Ana Lucía Avila		
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Scope	Palm oil production		
Products	Palm oil and palm kernel		
Number of sites	1		
Website	http://www.palmaceite.com/		

#### Standards that will be used for this assessment

Colombian National Interpretation Of The RSPO Principles And CRITERIA (September 2016 version) RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard (November 2014 version)

Palm Oil Mill's Name	Address	GPS references		Mill capacity	Annual Estimated	Estimated / Forecast annual production (Mt)	
		Latitude	Longitude	(Ton/hr)	Production of FFB (mt)	CSPO	СЅРК
Palmaceite S.A.	Km 49 Vía Ciénaga – Fundación – Santa Marta - Colombia	10° 37' 5,52"	74° 10′ 4,8"	30	21,883	27,213	7,467.43

Summary of the plantations and extraction site presently not included in the RSPO certification process:

Growers	Planted Area (Ha)	Maximum deadline for certification		
Associated outgrowers (19)	1,578	2017		
TOTAL				

# About IBD

IBD is proud to be the largest certification body of Latin America and the only Brazilian certification body of organic products with IFOAM (international market), ISO 17065 (European Market - regulation EC834/2007), Demeter, USDA/NOP (North American market) and INMETRO / MAPA (Brazilian) accreditations, which makes its certificates accepted worldwide.

In addition to organic certification protocols, IBD also offers social and environmental certifications: RSPO (Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil), UEBT (Union for Ethical BioTrade), EcoSocial All Fair, 4C Association, Rainforest Alliance/Sustainable Agriculture Network, UTZ Certified.

# **Public Consultation**



The public consultation process is one of the main stages of the RSPO certification process, and it gives the possibility for stakeholders, related or affected by the company, to demonstrate and expose their views. With that in mind, IBD invites all stakeholders to provide in written form, any relevant information for the audit to be held at **Palmaceite S.A.**, especially regarding environmental, labor and social aspects. We are open to positive and negative comments.

Among the topics to be commented on, but not limited to, are:

- Environmental: Compliance with current legislation, conservation of biodiversity, environmental protection and others.

- Labor: Respect for workers' rights, employment opportunities and others.

- **Social**: Impacts on the local community, relationship with these communities, transparency with the communities and others.

These and any other topics that may be considered relevant may be directed to:

### **IBD Certificações**

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We emphasize that we can contact you if we need more information on any raised issued. However, you may or may not be identified, and if you prefer to keep a low profile, your information will be considered confidential.

Comments received within <u>30 days</u>, will be considered for this audit.

### About the audit team

Lead Auditor: Ana Maria Uribe Has experience with quality system management under ISO 9000, internal quality audit, fertilizers and inputs for agriculture.

Responsible for SCC and Good Agriculture Practices.

Auditor: Ingrid Ayub

Has experience as auditor leader for Sustainable Agriculture Network (SAN), auditor leader in Integrated Management Systems, ISO 19011: 2011 and certified inspector organic farms. Will audit social and agriculture issues, traceability and supply chain (SCC).

Auditor: Cuauhtemoc Cedillo

Has experience with management of natural resources, productive projects in rural areas, environmental laws and regulations.

Will audit the HCV, environmental and management issues.

We appreciate your time and attention, and specially, your participation.

With best regards,

June 13<sup>th</sup> of 2017

Leonardo Gomes RSPO Manager IBD Certificações Ltda.