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Dear Interested Parties,

Reference: Stakeholder Consultation Process for RSPO Principles and Criteria Initial Certification Assessment for Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise

Bureau Veritas Certification (M) Sdn Bhd has been appointed by **Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise** to perform an RSPO Initial assessment of its group members against RSPO Management System Requirements and Guidance for Group Certification of FFB Production (8 March 2018).

Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise has been recognized as the group of palm oil smallholder by Phrasaeng District Agricultural Office, Suratthani Province since 13 October 2016. This group forming independent smallholder to achieve for RSPO group certification. Currently, there are **88** independent smallholder members in this group and a total of **505.66 Ha** planted area. The group has been a member of RSPO since **30 October 2019** with membership no. **1-0286-19-000-00** and their Palmtrace ID is **RSPO_PO 1000011293**.

Bureau Veritas Certification (BVC) will perform RSPO P&C Initial Certification assessment for **Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise** group at **111/1 Moo 4 Tambon Sinpun, Amphoe Prasaeng Suratthani Province 84120 Thailand** on **02 - 04 November 2020**.

Scope of assessment:

Scope of this assessment is Production of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) from Independent Smallholders under **Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise**. Details of name, location and number of group members covered during the audit are as follow:

Name of Group Manager	Location	GPS Reference		No. of Smallholders	*Planted Area (Ha)	Projected FFB Production (MT/year)
		Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)			
Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise	111/1 Moo 4, Tambon Sinpun, Phrasaeng District, Surat Thani 84210 Thailand	8°32'09.96"	99°13'48.44"	88	505.66	10,356.38

Note:

- 1) Planted area = immature area + mature area
- 2) Palmtongkum RSPO Community Enterprise has responsibility for all smallholders indicated in the Table above.



Assessment Team

Bureau Veritas Certification (M) Sdn Bhd is member of the Bureau Veritas, a global leader in Testing, Inspection and Certification (TIC), delivering high quality services to help clients meet the growing challenges of quality, safety, environmental protection and social responsibility. Established in 1828, Bureau Veritas has over 190 years of experience in providing various types of certifications and recognized and accredited by major national and international organizations. The assessors assigned for this Initial assessment will involve a team of auditors as follows:

- **Mrs. Chongrak Takard:** She will be in charge as lead auditor and responsible for auditing against RSPO standard for Group Certification and RSPO P&C at plots owned by group members, HCV, regulatory, good agricultural practice, Integrated Pest Management, pesticide and fertilizer use, ecological and environmental as well as social aspect in plantation
- **Mr. Supiwat Nentakong:** He will be involved with auditing of good agricultural practice, Integrated Pest Management, pesticide and fertilizer use, environmental management, regulatory, health and safety, and worker welfare and social issues in mill and plantation.
- **Mr. Niyom Sanmano:** He will be involved with auditing of good agricultural practice, Integrated Pest Management, pesticide and fertilizer use, environmental management, regulatory, health and safety, and worker welfare and social issues in mill and plantation.

Invitation of all stakeholders:

Interested stakeholders are invited to provide comments or inputs regarding the following issues related to performance of the company and compliance of the company's with RSPO certification requirements.

- Ecological and environmental conservation
- Land acquisition process and/or land disputes
- Opportunity for employment, wage, overtime and piece wage
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
- Community approach and community development
- Other issues pertaining to RSPO

Your comments or observations can be communicated through either a meeting with assessment team during the field audit or writing to BVC (see contact details below) so that all comments received can be taken into account during the RSPO certification assessment. Contact details for BVC and the auditee's representatives are as follow:

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BVC appreciates comments received within 30 days from the date of this notification letter. Comments and inputs will be considered during the assessment. All received information will be kept confidential and only serves for BVC and RSPO. We thank you for your comments and feedbacks.

Yours sincerely,

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