

Date of Notification: 29 July 2017

Dear Interested Parties,

Reference: Stakeholder Consultation Process for RSPO Principles and Criteria Re-Certification Assessment (to be performed instead of normal ASA2) of Saikueng Bansawan Community Enterprise

Bureau Veritas Certification Hong Kong Limited has been contracted by the Saikueng Bansawan Community Enterprise, Thailand to perform an RSPO re-certification assessment of its palm oil plantations owned by group member against RSPO Management System Requirements and Guidance for Group Certification of FFB Production (7 March 2016).

Saikueng Bansawan Community Enterprise has been recognized as the group of palm oil smallholder by Prasaeng District Agriculture Office on 17 January 2014. The group is fully supported by the partnering mill (Thai Tallow Palm Oil Co., Ltd) to achieve for RSPO group certification. Currently, there are 322 independent smallholder members in the group covering 802 plots and an area of 2,127.34 ha planted with oil palm. The group has been a member of the RSPO since 10 November 2014 with membership no. 1-0172-14-000-00.

Group name	Saikueng Bansawan Community Enterprise		
Principle Contact person	Mr. Somjet Laedsakai		
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Bureau Veritas Certification Hong Kong Limited will perform the initial RSPO group certification assessment during **18-20 September 2017**.

Scope of assessment:

The scope of RSPO standard for Group Certification is the palm oil plantations owned by smallholders under the group as showed in Table below:

Number of Smallholders	Location of Group Administration Office	GPS Position (Lat-Long)	Total Planted Area (ha)	FFB Production (ton/year)
322 Smallholders	30 Moo 4 Sai Khueng subdistrict, Phrasaeng district, Surat Thani 84210 Thailand	Lat : 8°31'56.69 Long : 99°06'16.07	2,127.34	44,248



Assessment Team

Bureau Veritas Certification Hong Kong Limited 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 assessment assigned for the initial certification assessment will involve a team of auditors and technical experts as follows:

- Dr. Chaiyaporn Seekao: He 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. Prapas Noras**: 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 applicant 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 Bureau Veritas (see contact details below) so that all comments received can be taken into account during the RSPO certification assessment.

The contact details for Bureau Veritas Certification are as follow:

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The contact details of applicant (auditee) are as follow:



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Bureau Veritas Certification Hong Kong Limited appreciates comments received within 30 days from the date of this notification letter. Comments will be considered in the assessment. All received information will be kept confidential and only serves for Bureau Veritas Certification Hong Kong Limited and RSPO.

We thank you for your comments and feedbacks.

Yours sincerely,

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