

Bureau Veritas Certification (M) Sdn Bhd

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Dear Interested Parties,

Reference: Stakeholder Consultation Process for RSPO Principles and Criteria Main assessment of Smothong Sustainable Oil Palm Production Community Enterprise Group

Bureau Veritas Certification (M) Sdn Bhd has been appointed by **Smothong Sustainable Oil Palm Production Community Enterprise Group** to perform an RSPO main assessment of supply bases its members against RSPO Management System Requirements and Guidance for Group Certification of FFB Production (8 March 2018).

Smothong Sustainable Oil Palm Production Community Enterprise Group has been recognized as the legal entity of group of oil palm smallholders by Phanom District Agriculture office since 29 September 2016. The group is formed by independent smallholders to achieve for RSPO certification. Currently, there are 95 members with area 697.324 Ha planted with oil palm. The group has been a member of the RSPO since 23 July 2019 with membership no. 1-0276-19-000-00 and Palmtrace ID is RSPO_PO1000010146

Bureau Veritas Certification (BVC) will perform RSPO main assessment for the group of smallholders at 333 Moo 6, Klongcha-un Sub-district, Phanom District, Suratthani Province, 84250, Thailand on **11-12 February 2020**

Scope of assessment:

Scope of this assessment is Production of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) from Independent Smallholders under Smothong Sustainable Oil Palm Production Community Enterprise Group.

The following are details of the group to be covered during the audit.

Name of the Group	Location Address	GPS Reference		Number of	Area summary		Projected FFB
		Latitude	Longitude	Smallholders	Total Titles (Ha)	*Planted Area (Ha)	Production (MT/year)
Smothong Sustainable Oil Palm Production Community Enterprise Group.	333 Moo 6, Klongcha-un Sub- district, Phanom District, Suratthani Province, 84250 Thailand	8°40'35.8"N	98°48'05.4"E	91	680.024	642.684	13,255

Note: * Planted area = immature area + mature area



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 Certification assessment will involve a team of auditors as follows:

- Mr.Prapas Nores: 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.
- Ms.Chongrak Takard: She will be in charge as auditor in team and responsible for auditing against RSPO standard for Group Certification and RSPO P&C at plots owned by group members, regulatory, health and safety, and worker welfare and social issues in plantation.
- Mr.Supiwat Nentakong: He will be in charge as auditor in team and responsible for auditing against RSPO standard for Group Certification and RSPO P&C at plots owned by group members, good agricultural practice, Integrated Pest Management, pesticide and fertilizer use, ecological and environmental.

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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