

5th December 2019

Dear Stakeholders,

Public Notification on Upcoming RSPO Recertification Assessment of PT Socfin Indonesia, Aek Loba Estate, Aek Loba POM, Aek Kuasan Sub-District, Asahan District, North Sumatera Province, Indonesia.

PT Socfin Indonesia Aek Loba Estate has applied to PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia for Recertification Assessment against the RSPO P&C and Supply Chain. Recertification 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 Generic 2018 and RSPO Supply Chain Certification standard Rev. June 2017.

PT Socfin Indonesia is a member of the RSPO (RSPO Membership Number: RSPO: 1-0269-19-000-00. & Palmtrace Member ID No. : RSPO_PO1000001252) and has been actively involved in every international conference held by the RSPO.

Scope of assessment:

The RSPO Recertification assessment of PT Socfin Indonesia Aek Loba POM, Aek Loba Estate is scheduled to commence from **February 17th – 21st 2020**. The assessment shall be carried out for 1 palm oil mill and 1 palm oil plantations in Asahan District, North Sumatera Province. The details of the management units to be assessed are as follows:

Scope of assessment for estates :				
Estate Name	Location	Area*		FFB Production (Ton)**
		Total (Ha)	Planted (Ha)	
Aek Loba	Desa Aek Loba, Kec. Aek Kuasan, Kab. Asahan, Prop Sumatera Utara	9,673.86	9,470.70	232,270
TOTAL		9,673.86	9,470.70	232,270

Scope of assessment for Palm Oil Mill:				
Palm Oil Mill Name	Location	Average Production*		Capacity (Ton/Hour)
		CPO (Ton)	PK (Ton)	
Aek Loba	Desa Aek Loba, Kec. Aek Kuasan, Kab. Asahan, Prop Sumatera Utara	56,000	9,700	60

Note :

*) period of January to December 2018

Assessment Team

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The assessment team assigned for the Recertification assessment of PT Socfin Indonesia Aek Loba Estate are as follows:

Lead auditor : Ibnu Satria Prabudi (HCV, Environment, Occupational Health and Safety, Good Agriculture Practices and SCCS)

Auditors: Ade Sudiana (legal compliance, land issues, management plan, training, transparency, Environmental), Harso Yuli Antena (Workers, Local communities, External stakeholder), Tutik Sirait (environmental, quality management and OSH)

Invitation to all stakeholders:

As a part of the re certification assessment procedure we invite stakeholders to offer comments and feedback (if any) on PT Socfin Indonesia Aek Loba Estate, Aek Loba POM and its supply chain in relation to the relevant RSPO Principles and Criteria 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 PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia and the RSPO Board.

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,



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