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Dear Stakeholder,

Sir/Madam,

Invitation to Comment on RSPO Initial Certification Audit of Boustead Plantations Berhad – Trong Business Unit

Boustead Plantations Berhad (BPB) has commissioned SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. for the assessment and certification of its certification units against National Interpretation of RSPO Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Palm Oil Production.

RSPO was established in 2004 with the objective of promoting the production and use of sustainable palm oil. RSPO certification will enable oil palm growers and palm oil millers to claim that their product is produced sustainably. Among the requirements to market the claim are:

- Adoption appropriate plantation and milling best practices
- Compliance with legal requirements
- Environmental responsibility and conservation of natural resources and biodiversity
- Responsible consideration of employees and of individual and communities
- Continual improvement

In ensuring that the organization seeking certification meets the above requirements, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. would like to invite interested parties to comment on the certification audit of Boustead Plantations Berhad - Trong Business Unit

The followings are information on Boustead Plantations Berhad and SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.:

Boustead Plantations Berhad (RSPO Membership Number: 1-0012-04-000-00) owns 41 oil palm estates and 10 mills in Malaysia. Currently, Boustead Plantations Berhad oversees a total of approximately 85,000 hectares of agricultural land, of which about 69,000 hectares are planted with oil palm. Boustead Plantations Berhad also purchases fresh fruit bunches from surrounding smallholders. Apart from the estates and mills operation, Boustead Plantations Berhad is also involved in planting and processing of oil palm.

Boustead Plantations Berhad is a pioneering member of RSPO and has always shown its commitment in this field. It has and continues to actively participate in local and International conferences relating to RSPO as evidenced by the company's participation in RT1 to RT14.



MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2005 QS 02121999 CB 01
MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2005 EMS 17122002 CB 02
MS ISO/IEC GUIDE 65 : 2009 PC 05102004 CB 01
MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2005 OSH 06122005 CB 01
MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2005 HACCP 05052008 CB 03
ISO/TS 22003 : 2007 FSMS 23122008 CB 01
MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2005 FMC 10122009 CB 02

MS ISO/IEC 17025
CALIBRATION/TESTING
SAMM NO. 055 SAMM NO. 058
SAMM NO. 087 SAMM NO. 219
SAMM NO. 231 SAMM NO. 240
SAMM NO. 299 SAMM NO. 474
SAMM NO. 377

MS ISO/IEC 17020
MBAS NO. 003

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SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. plans to carry out the certification audit of Boustead Plantations Berhad- Trong Business Unit starting from 13 March 2017 until 17 March 2017. Standard of RSPO Principle & Criteria MYNI, 2014 and RSPO Supply Chain, 2014 will be used for this audit. Boustead Plantations Berhad - Trong Business Unit is located at Taiping, Perak, Malaysia. Details of the certification unit can be referred to **Attachment 1** as attached in Appendix.

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. has appointed:

| Audit Team | Role / Area of Requirement | Qualification and Experience |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Mohd Zulfakar Kamaruzaman | Audit Team Leader / HCV, Environmental Issues and Supply Chain | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 4 years working experience related to Oil Palm Plantation • Successfully completed Lead Assessor training for RSPO • Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for QMS ISO 9001:2008. • Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for EMS ISO 14001:2004 • Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS 18001:2007 • B. Sc. Forestry at University Putra Malaysia • Successfully complete an RSPO-endorsed RSPO Supply Chain Certification Systems training course 2016 |
| Mohd Razman Salim | Auditor / Social and Occupational Safety & Health Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collected more than 55 Auditor days in auditing RSPO P&C • 6 years experience in Forest Management, HCVF and ecology • Successfully completed Lead Assessor training for RSPO • Successfully completed System 3M accredited Lead Assessor training for ISO 9001 • Successfully completed System 3M accredited Lead Assessor training for ISO 14001 • Successfully completed System 3M accredited Lead Assessor training for ISO 18001 • B.Sc.Forestry (Hons) - University Putra Malaysia |
| Rozaimie Rahman Ab | Auditor / Good Agriculture Practices (GAP), Environmental and Occupational Safety & Health Issues | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 3 years working experience related to Oil Palm Plantation • Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for EMS ISO 14001:2004 • Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS 18001:2007 • Assistant manager with IOI Plantation Sdn Bhd (2012 - 2015), Yayasan Pahang Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd (2015 - 2016) • B.Sc. Agriculture (Hons) - University Putra Malaysia • Diploma in Fisheries - University Putra Malaysia |

In relation to the forthcoming audits, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. welcomes stakeholders to comment on the following topics:

- Environmental protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunities for employment
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
- Company approach to community development
- Participation in decision making
- Any other topic / matter or issue of relevance to the audit or about the company/estates/mills or auditors

Comments received prior to the audit will be considered. Please direct your comments to:

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,



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APPENDIX

Attachment 1

Details of Boustead Plantations Berhad - Trong Business Unit:

| PALM OIL MILL (POM) FOR THIS AUDIT | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------|-----|-------------|
| Name of Palm Oil Mill (POM) | Mill Capacity (MT/Hr) | Location | | GPS Reference | | Forecasted Annual Output (MT) | | CPO | Palm Kernel |
| | | Address | Locked Bag No. | Longitude | Latitude | | | | |
| Trong Oil Mill | 60 | 3, 34800 Taiping, Perak | | 4.673560 | 100.708154 | 30,300 | 7,021 | | |
| ASSOCIATED SUPPLY BASE OF FFB TO THE ABOVE POM TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS AUDIT | | | | | | | | | |
| Name of Estate / Association | Location Address | GPS Reference | | Area Summary (Ha) | | Annual Estimation FFB (MT) | | | |
| | | Longitude | Latitude | Total | Mature | | | | |
| Taiping Rubber Plantations Estate | 34800 Taiping, Perak | 4.687343 | 100.710616 | 1382.80 | 980.60 | 17,300.00 | | | |
| Malaya Estate | 34100 Selama, Perak | 5.134429 | 100.699203 | 906.20 | 701.70 | 14,450.00 | | | |
| Malakoff Estate | Tasek Gelugor, 13300 Seberang Perai Utara, Pulau Pinang | 5.488268 | 100.464922 | 1379.00 | 1186.50 | 20,700.00 | | | |
| Bukit Mertajam Rubber Estate | P.O Box 81, 09000 Kulim, Kedah | 5.422728 | 100.626622 | 2482.60 | 1778.00 | 34,665.00 | | | |

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|--------------------|---|----------|------------|----------|----------|------------|
| Kuala Muda Estate | 08009 Sungai Petani, Kedah | 5.618517 | 100.582824 | 1,519.50 | 1,377.90 | 29,650.00 |
| Stothard Estate | P. O Box No. 1103, 09300 Kuala Ketil, Kedah | 5.585655 | 100.716745 | 983.10 | 911.40 | 16,240.00 |
| Batu Pekaka Estate | P. O Box 306, 09300 Kuala Ketil, Kedah | 5.575601 | 100.633695 | 968.70 | 738.30 | 14,850.00 |
| Total | | | | 9,621.90 | 7,674.40 | 147,855.00 |