Volac International Ltd

Particulars

Organisation Name	Volac International Ltd
Corporate Website Address	www.volac.com
Primary Activity or Product	Processor and/or Trader
Related Company(ies)	None
Country Operations	United Kingdom
Membership Number	2-0211-11-000-00
Membership Type	Ordinary Members
Membership Category	Palm Oil Processors and Traders

Palm Oil Processors and Traders

1.1 Please state your main activity(ies) within the supply chain

Operational Profile

39250.00

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■ Post-refinery processor■ Animal feed supplier
Other:
1.2 Operation and Certification Progress

1.2.1 Do you have a system for calculating how much palm oil and palm oil products you use?
Yes
1.3 Total volume of all palm oil products handled in the year (Tonnes)
1.3.1 Total volume of Crude Palm Oil (CPO) handled in the year
1.3.2 Total volume of Palm Kernel Oil (PKO) handled in the year
1.3.3 Total volume of other Palm Oil Derivatives and Fractions handled in the year

1.4 Volume handled in the year that is RSPO-certified (Tonnes):

1.3.4 Total volume of all palm oil and palm oil derived products handled in the year

No	Description	Crude Palm Oil (Tonnes)	Palm kernel oil (Tonnes)	derivatives and fractions handled in the year that is RSPO-certified (Tonnes)
1.4.1	Book & Claim			
1.4.2	Mass Balance			
1.4.3	Segregated			12724.00
1.4.4	Identity Preserved			
1.4.5	Total volume of Oil Palm handled that is RSPO-certified:			12724.00

All other palm-based

1.5 Do you plan to ask your suppliers if the palm oil supplied comes from growers who disclose the	eir
GHG emissions within the RSPO P&C 5.6 & 7.8?	

No

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Time-Bound Plan

2.1 Date of first supply chain certification (planned or achieved)

2014

2.2 Time-bound plan - Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of all supply chains

2018

2.3 What are your interim milestones towards achieving this RSPO certification commitment (year and progressive CSPO%)? Please state annual targets/strategies.

Volac International Liverpool factory achieved Supply Chain Certificate in July 2014. In 2012/13, of the total palm product intake, this factory brought in 26% as segregated. In 2013/14, the factory increased production by 9% and further increased the intake of segregated oil to 37% of total site usage. The target is to move towards 100% fully sustainable, either from mass balance or segrated physical oil deliveries.

One other site in the Group utilises palm products - the target is to achieve supply chain certification within 4 years of the first factory.

2.4 Timebound plan - Year expected to only "handle/supply" RSPO certified oil palm products

2018

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Of the total palm oil products utilised within the Volac Group, 32% is RSPO segregated. The target we set ourselves for this period was between 30 and 35% so we have achieved this. Our target remains to move towards 100% segregated or mass balance physical deliveries of palm oil products by 2018. We do not use CPO or refined palm oil - our products are either a by-product or fractionation. The supply chain is not currently robust enough, in terms of availability and commercial viability to achieve 100% at this stage. But we are actively working on increasing our sourcing further over the next period.

2.6 How do you promote RSPO and RSPO certified sustainable palm oil to your customers proactively?

Volac only use palm oil products from members of the RSPO and this is detailed on our purchasing specifications. Volac meet regularly with customers and update on our progress towards our target of 100% RSPO certified.

Also referred to in our relevant advice sources.

GHG Emissions

3.1	Do	you	publicly	report the	GHG em	issions of	f your	operations'	?
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No

Please upload related report:

Add link to website

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Please explain why:
One of the factories participates in the EU ETS scheme and reports annually to the relevant legislative body.
3.2 Does your company have a public commitment to only purchase palm oil from suppliers that disclose their GHG emissions?
No
Please upload related report:

Add link to website

Please explain why:
This will be considered once we have an established robust supply chain with sustainable palm products.
Actions for Next Reporting Period
4.1 Outline actions that you will take in the coming year to promote CSPO use along the supply chain
Our PFAD statement has been reviewed and is in the process of being updated. Our Palm statement will be reviewed and updated as appropriate We will be continuing our efforts to work with partners who can supply certified sustainable palm products
Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information
5.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why NA
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6.2 Where relevant, what prevents you from trading/processing only CSPO?

Currently, the total volume of the products we purchase are not freely available in the EU to enable us to process only CS oil. Also, sometimes when availability occurs, the rates are not commercially sustainable.

Commitments to CSPO uptake

As you don't source 100% CSPO through physical supply chains (IP/SG/MB), please answer the	е
following questions: Do you have plans to?	

Yes

- Please explain why:

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- Please specify:

As detailed in previous questions.

- Do you have plans to immediately cover the gap using Book & Claim?

No

- How and when do you plan to immediately cover the gap using Book & Claim?

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- Please explain why:

Our company has a target to use 100% physical supply of CS palm products and we are making continuous improvement each year. Our focus will remain on this target.

Challenges

1 What significant economic, social or environmental obstacles have you encountered in the production, procurement, use and/or promotion of CSPO and what efforts did you make to mitigate or resolve them?

Economically, and due to the markets in which we have to compete, it is not always possible to pay the premium for CSPO which can sometimes be significant.

2 How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?		
Cost Effective:		
Yes		
Robust:		
Yes		
Simpler to Comply to:		
equal		
3 How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets? (e.g. Funding; Engagement with key stakeholders; Business to business education/outreach)		
Attendance at RSPO Conference Working with reputable parties in the supply chain		
4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information):		
Palm oil policies reviewed at least once annually		