

Notification of RSPO Initial Certification Assessment of The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC, Nigeria
RSPO Parent Company Membership: 1-0269-19-000-00

To Whom It May Concern:

The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC of Nigeria has commissioned SCS Global Services to conduct an RSPO Initial Certification Assessment of its palm oil mill and supply basin located near Okomu-Udo, Ovia South West Local Government Area, Benin, Edo, Nigeria, West Africa. The assessment will be conducted of 1 Palm Oil Mill and 1 Oil Palm Plantation.

SCS Global Services plans to conduct the Initial Certification assessment of the The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC mill from **November 4th-8th, 2019**. The assessment will be conducted against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil requirements, including the Principles & Criteria (RSPO P&C 2013), using as reference the National Interpretation of the P&Cs for Nigeria and the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard – CPO Mills (June 2017).

The assessment will cover legal, environment, economical, workers' health and safety, and social aspects as required by the RSPO Principles & Criteria. Below is general information related to the certification unit.

The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC	
Mill Name	Main Estate Oil Mill
PalmTrace ID	RSPO_PO1000009990
Mill Capacity (tonnage/hour)	60mt/hr
Address	Okomu-Udo, Ovia South West Local Government Area, Benin, Edo, Nigeria, West Africa
GPS Reference (Palm Oil Mill)	6°23'31.23"N, 5°12'40.37"E
CPO Tonnage (Projection)	42,169 MT
PK Tonnage (Projection)	7, 949 MT
FFB Tonnages (Projection)	147,442 MT

Farms / Estate	GPS Coordinates	Planted Area		Other / Unplanted	Total Area (ha)	Annual FFB Projection (MT)
		Mature Palm (ha)	Immature Palm (ha)			
Main Estate	6°23'31.23"N 5°12'40.37"E	8,489	0	7091	15,580	147,442
TOTAL		8,489	0	7091	15,580	147,442

SCS serves the food industry and agribusiness with a large variety of programs throughout the entire value chain. We have more than 25 years of experience in the development of standards, third-party verification and rigorous scientific analysis to clients around the world, helping them to manage risk and increase their market share, and positioning them as leaders. Among our innovations is the development of the first "Pesticide Free" certification in the 1980s. We were pioneers with the VeriFlora Sustainably Grown standard for flowers and foliage, the Fair Trade standard for social compliance and the development of Starbucks C.A.F.E. Standard Practices to evaluate the responsible purchase of coffee. SCS currently manages this program for Starbucks and accredits certification bodies in Latin America, Africa and Asia. Our agricultural certification programs include, among others, ISCC, RSB, Bonsucro, SQF, Global GAP, Tesco, and BRC.

SCS Global Services has appointed the following team for the assessment of The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC:

Name	Role	Audit Aspects
Frank Kwesi	Lead Auditor	Legal Issues, Social, Supply Chain
Joseph Osei	Team Auditor	Best Agricultural Practices
Dr. Richard Bonsi	Team Auditor	HCV, Environmental Issues
Dr. Adesoji Adeyemi	Local Expert	Local laws, Stakeholder Notification

SCS Global Services invites stakeholders to provide written comments on any of the following issues related to the operations of The Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC, particularly related to social and environmental impacts.

Topics that you may wish to comment on are as follows:

- Environmental Protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunity for employment
- Company approach to community development
- Your relationship with the company
- Participation in decision making
- Free, prior and informed consent
- Suggestion for improvement

Comments received within 30 days from the date of this notification will be considered during the certification assessment.

Please include the following details in case we need to contact you for additional information or clarification on any issued raised:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone number: _____

If you wish your comments to be treated confidentiality or remain anonymous, please indicate 'CONFIDENTIAL' in your correspondence to us. Please send comments to:

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Thank you for your comments and feedback.

Sincerely,



Matthew Rudolf
RSPO Program Manager