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Dear Stakeholder,

Sir/Madam.

Invitation to Comment on RSPO Certification Assessment of Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. - Kempas Palm Oil Mill

Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. 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 assessment of Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd - Certification Unit of Kempas Palm Oil Mill.

The followings are information on Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. and SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.:

Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. has applied to SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. for RSPO certification of 9 out of its 59 certification units.

Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. owns 200 oil palm estates and 59 mills in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah & Sarawak in Malaysia and in Kalimantan, Sumatera & Sulawesi in Indonesia. Currently, Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. oversees a plantation are of 312, 795 hectares in Malaysia and 204, 505 hectares in Indonesia. Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. also purchases fresh fruit bunches from surrounding smallholders.

Apart from the estates and mills operation, Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. is also involved in the downstream activities including oil refining, production of oil and fat products, oleochemical and bio-diesel in fourteen countries.

Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. 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 RT1 to RT12.





















MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2006 QS 02121999 MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2006 EMS 17122002 CB 0: MS ISO/IEC GUIDE 65 : 2000 PC 05102004 CB 0: MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2006 OSH 06122005 CB 0: MS ISO/IEC 17021 : 2006 HACCP 05052008 CB 03



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SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. is the oldest and leading certification, inspection and testing body in Malaysia. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. provides a comprehensive range of certification, inspection and testing services which are carried out in accordance with internationally recognised standards. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. has considerable experience in providing quality, environmental, and occupational health and safety management system certification services to the oil palm estates, palm oil mills and other downstream activities.

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. plans to carry out the recertification assessment of Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd – Kempas Palm Oil Mill starting from 06 April 2015 until 08 April 2015. Kempas Palm Oil Mill is located at Jasin, Melaka, Malaysia. Details of the certification unit can be referred to **Attachment 1** as attached in Appendix.

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. has appointed:

Assessment Team	Role / Area of Requirement	Qualification and Experience		
Valence Shem	Assessment Team Leader / Good Agriculture Practices (GAP) and Supply Chain	Collected more than 250 Auditor days in auditing ISO 14001 and RSPO Nine years' experience in Oil Palm Plantation management Successfully completed IEMA accredited Lead Assessor training for ISO 14001: 2004 B.Tech. (Hons) Industrial Technology Successfully completed and passed the RSPO Lead Assessor Course – 2011.		
Hazani Bin Othman	Assessor / HCV Habitat & Ecology	 A freelance auditor of management systems (such as ISO 14001, ISO 9001) and sustainability (such as FSC & MTCC FMC and CoC, RSPO). Approximate 20 years total working experience. Approximate 16 years' experience in management systems and sustainability auditing / certification. Approximate 10 years as certification auditor and another 6 years as Quality Management Representative as well as internal quality lead auditor. Hold Bachelor of Forestry Science and Diploma in Forestry. 		
Jagathesan A/L Suppiah	Assessor / Environment Issues and Occupational Health and Safety	 More than 23 years working experience in Manufacturing concerns at various Managerial position, Managing Operation, Quality Assurance & Regulatory Affairs and Quality & Process Control Disciplines Experience of carrying out audits on more than 700 companies around Malaysia for the past 15 years for various schemes i.e. ISO 9000, ISO 13485, ISO 14000, OSHAS 18000 and GMP/FDA regulations Successfully completed Lead Assessor training for ISO 9001, ISO 14000, OSHAS 18001, ISO 13485 and RSPO Bachelor of Chemical Science (Hons) 		
Dr Zahid Bin Emby	Assessor / Workers & Community Issues and Related Legal Issues	 1977- 1992 – Lecturer, Department of Social Sciences, Faculty of Educational Services, Universiti Pertanian Malaysia Head, August 1992 – 1994, Department of 		

Social Development Studies, Universiti Pertanian Malaysia

• August 1, 1998 -2001. Reappointed as Head of the renamed Department of Social and Development Science for a three year term

• Head, Department of Music from October 2003 until his retirement on December 17, 2006

• Spent some time as a visiting scholar at University of Hull, U.K. and Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand.

• Freelance consultant on social issues

In relation to the forthcoming assessments, 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 assessment or about the company/estates/mills or auditors

Comments received prior to the assessment 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 Kempas Palm Oil Mill Certification Unit:

Name of Palm Oil N	Mill Capacity	Location	GPS Reference		Forecasted Annual Output (MT)	
(POM)	(MT/Hr)	Address	Longitude	Latitude	CPO	Palm Kernel
Sime Darby Plantation Sdn. Bhd. Strategic Operating U (SOU) 17 – Kempa Palm Oil Mill	Jnit	77000 Jasin, Melaka Malaysia	102° 28′ 52.99" E	2° 36.68" N	56,542.56	13,946.68
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Name of Estate /	Location	GPS Re	GPS Reference Area Sum		mary (Ha)	Annual Estimation
Association	Address	Longitude	Latitude	Total	Mature	FFB (MT)
Kempas Estate	77000 Jasin, Melaka	102°26′ E	2°15′ N	4,577.81	4,083.30	118,419.50
Kemuning Estate	71000 Jasin, Melaka	102°20' E	2°27' N	2,677.79	2,151.9	58,863.26
Tangkah Estate	84900 Tangkak, Melaka	102°37′ E	2°22' N	2,638.26	2,234.46	60,440.26
Serkam Estate (Serkam Division)	77009 Jasin, Melaka	102° 24' E	2°19' N	915.63	639.00	13,888.33
Total				10,809.49	9,108.66	251,611.35