

Particulars**About Your Organisation****Organisation Name**

Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

Corporate Website Address<http://www.ajinomoto.com>**Primary Activity or Product**

- Manufacturer

Related Company(ies)

Yes

Company	Primary Activity	RSPO Member	Plantation?	Files	
				GHG Report	Map file
Ajinomoto Frozen Foods Co., Inc.	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
Ajinomoto General Foods Inc.	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
WAN-THAI FOODS INDUSTRY CO., LTD.	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
AJINOMOTO COMPANY (THAILAND) LIMITED	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
AJINOMOTO DEL PERU S.A.	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
Ajinomoto Poland Sp. Z.o.o.	o Manufacturer	Yes	No	-	-
AJINOMOTO VIETNAM CO., LTD.	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-
AJINOMOTO DO BRASIL INDUSTRIA E COMERCIO DE ALIMENTOS LTDA	o Manufacturer	No	No	-	-

Membership

Membership Number	Membership Category	Membership Sector
4-0284-12-000-00	Ordinary	Consumer Goods Manufacturers

Consumer Goods Manufacturers**Operational Profile****1.1 Please state what your main activity(ies) is/are within manufacturing**

- End-product manufacturer
- Ingredient manufacturer
- Food Goods
 - Instant Noodles Manufacturer
- Home & Personal Care Goods
 - Detergents
- Own-brand
- Manufacturing on behalf of other third party brands

Operations and Certification Progress**2.1 Do you have a system for calculating how much palm oil and palm oil products you purchased?**

Yes

2.2.1 Do you manufacture for:

Both Private Label and Own Brand

2.2.2 Total volume of Refined Palm Oil or Refined, bleached, and deodorized (RBD) Oil Palm sold in the year:

23800.00

2.2.3 Total volume of refined Palm Kernel Oil sold in the year:

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2.2.4 Total volume of other Palm Oil Derivatives and Fractions sold in the year:

11400.00

2.2.5 Total volume of all oil palm products you sold in the year:

35200.00

2.3 Palm oil volume sold in the year in your own brands that is sourced through RSPO-certified physical supply chains:

In Your Own Brand

No	Description	Refined palm oil/Refined, bleached, and deodorized (RBD) oil palm (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel Oil (Tonnes)	Palm based derivatives or fractions (Tonnes)	Volume of Palm Kernel Expeller used / processed and/or traded in the year (Tonnes)
1	Book & Claim			496.00	
2	Mass Balance	360.00		20.00	
3	Segregated				
4	Identity Preserved				
5	Total volume of oil palm products that is RSPO-certified	360.00		516.00	

In Your Private Label

No	Description	Refined palm oil/Refined, bleached, and deodorized (RBD) oil palm (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel Oil (Tonnes)	Palm based derivatives or fractions (Tonnes)	Volume of Palm Kernel Expeller used / processed and/or traded in the year (Tonnes)
1	Book & Claim			24.00	
2	Mass Balance				
3	Segregated				
4	Identity Preserved				
5	Total volume of oil palm products that is RSPO-certified			24.00	

2.4.1 What type of products do you use CSPO for?

Instant creaming powder

2.5 What is the percentage of certified sustainable palm oil in the total oil palm products your company sells in:

- Europe --%
- India --%
- China --%
- South East Asia --%
- North America --%
- South America --%

2.6 What is the percentage of certified sustainable palm kernel oil in the total palm kernel oil your company sells in:

Europe 8%
India --%
China --%
South East Asia --%
North America --%
South America --%

Time-Bound Plan**3.1 Date expected to/or started to use any RSPO certified palm oil products - own brand**

2014

3.2 Date expected to be using 100% RSPO certified palm oil products from any supply chain option - own brand

2018

Comment:

Applicable only for Japan and Poland, and on the condition that purchase of B&C for palm kernel oil-based derivatives/fractions is practical in business sense. For other countries where we operate, our provisional target year is 2020 on the condition that supply chains of certified palm oil products are established, because supply chains of certified palm oil products are not available yet in some countries.

3.3 Date expected to be using 100% RSPO certified palm oil from physical supply chains (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) - own brand products

2020

Comment:

Applicable only for Japan and Poland, and on the condition that supply chains of physical certified palm oil products which meet our necessary quality specifications/standards are established in Japan. For other countries where we operate, we cannot determine the target year at this moment, because in many countries where we operate, supply chains of physical certified palm oil products are not established yet and there are so many uncertainty in the supply chains.

3.4 Do your (own brand) commitments cover your company's companies' global use of palm oil?

y

3.5 Does your company use CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL products in goods you manufacture on behalf of other companies?

y

3.6 Which countries that your organization operates in do the above commitments cover?

- Japan - Poland

3.7 What are your interim milestones towards achieving RSPO certification commitment to your own-brands (year and progressive CSPO%) - please state annual targets/strategies

Basically we establish our business plan including budget plan for purchasing CSPO raw materials which we need to meet our commitments through to the target year, as long as such CSPO products are available from their supply chains. However, we need some special raw materials such as palm kernel oil-based derivatives with special quality specifications/standards in some of our product manufacturing, and CSPO supply chains for such materials are not established yet. Also, in some countries in South East Asia and South America, CSPO is not practically available yet. For these cases, we try to take leadership to establish supply chains of CSPO raw materials through collaboration with stakeholders such as suppliers, industry, governments, NGOs, etc. In Japan, in 2015: we expanded our commitment boundary to the whole Ajinomoto Group companies in Japan. Started to be certified with SCCS certification for main product/business categories. Purchase of MB was started. We have been continuing communication with supply chain stakeholders. We requested the raw material supplier of our major products to be prepared for CSPO supply and SCCS certification. 2015-2018: Try to increase CSPO volume step-wise, according to the CSPO availability as well as business strategy (competitiveness, for example.) 2018: Interim target year to achieve CSPO full use. In Poland, in 2016: A group's subsidiary company became a RSPO member. Try to increase CSPO volume step-wise, according to the market demand. In other countries: We continue to discuss with stakeholders towards promotion of CSPO.

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

2015

Trademark Related**4.1 Do you use or plan to use the RSPO trademark on your own brand products?**

No

Please explain why

At this moment, not practical if considering poor market awareness. However, we may start to use the RSPO trademark when the situation of the market awareness is improved to some extent while we do market/public awareness raising campaign with various stakeholders.

GHG Emissions**5.1 Are you currently assessing the GHG emissions from your operations?**

Yes

5.2 Do you publicly report the GHG emissions of your operations?

Yes

URL: www.ajinomoto.com/en/activity/csr/report/**Actions for Next Reporting Period****6.1 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil.**

To secure steady progress of SCCS certification and MB sourcing. Also, to be actively engaged in establishing supply chains of CSPO through collaboration with supply chain and governmental stakeholders. Particularly in Japan, we will engage in business initiatives towards mainstreaming CSPO in Japan, as well as dissemination & awareness raising campaigns.

Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information**7.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information, please indicate the reasons why**

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- Others:

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Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors**8.1 Related to your sourcing, do you have (a) policy/ies, that are in line with the RSPO P&C such as:**

- Water, land, energy and carbon footprints
Uploaded file: [M-Policies-to-PNC-waterland.pdf](#)
- Land Use Rights
Uploaded file: [M-Policies-to-PNC-landuseright.pdf](#)
- Ethical conduct and human rights
Uploaded file: [M-Policies-to-PNC-ethicalconducthr.pdf](#)
- Labour rights
Uploaded file: [M-Policies-to-PNC-laborrights.pdf](#)
- Stakeholder engagement
Uploaded file: [M-Policies-to-PNC-stakeholderengagement.pdf](#)
- None of the above

8.2 What steps will/has your organization taken to support these policies?

We are committed to promote sustainable consumption and production. We think that supply-chain management is essential to reduce burdens on environmental and social footprints in conjunction with resource procurement. Thus, we are implementing CSR Procurement practices through collaboration with our suppliers and supply-chain stakeholders in order to secure sustainable sourcing of raw materials. We have established our CSR Procurement Guidelines applicable for both ourselves and suppliers. For Ajinomoto Group whose businesses depend very much on bounty of nature and natural resources, sustainability of ecosystems and related communities are fundamental. Detail information: <http://www.ajinomoto.com/en/activity/csr/report/>

Commitments to CSPO uptake

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

Yes

Please specify

Our main challenges towards 100% CSPO through physical supply chains are quite poor establishment of CSPO supply chains of our necessary raw materials in some countries and in some product categories. So, we try to continue to help establishing such supply chains through discussion and collaboration with various stakeholders.

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

No

Please explain why

As long as such B&C is practically available, we will introduce. However, B&C products for some product categories which need special quality specifications/standards are not available yet or unreasonably expensive at this moment. Also in some countries, even B&C is still not available yet.

Concession Map**10.1 Does your company or any subsidiary of your company own or manage oil palm plantations?**

No

Please explain why

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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?

As a user of palm oil derived raw materials, who is positioned in rather downstream side along palm oil related long supply chain, our accessibility to CSPO depends very much on preparedness of our suppliers. Also, as an end product & consumer goods manufacturer, awareness and strong support by general consumers are necessary. Unfortunately, both of them are quite poor at this moment. In Japan. We have been actively engaged ourselves in business initiatives in Japan, and have been promoting dissemination & awareness raising campaigns.

2 How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?

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Cost Effective:

Yes

Robust:

Yes

Simpler to Comply to:

Yes

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)

As a global leading industry member worldwide and in Japan, we are active in transforming the world towards sustainable way. As for palm related field, for example, Ajinomoto Co., Inc. is an executive steering member of Japan Business Initiative for Biodiversity (JBIB) which actively promotes sustainable business model among Japanese business community. Sustainability of palm oil is one of the issues, off course. Ajinomoto Co., Inc. has been working together with NGOs, particularly with WWF Japan, in the field of forest ecosystem conservation which naturally involves strong support to RSPO's vision. We also work hard with Green Purchasing Network as well as The Consumer Goods Forum to promote sustainable palm oil, as a core leader member.

4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information)

(<http://www.ajinomoto.com/en/activity/>) (<http://www.ajinomoto.com/en/activity/environment/>) (<http://www.ajinomoto.com/en/activity/csr/report/>)