

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION REGARDING THE INITIAL AUDIT OF INDUSTRIAS DE JABONES Y DETERGENTES LAS PALMAS, S. A. ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE RSPO PRINCIPLES & CRITERIA**

Dear Sir or Madam,

IBD Certifications informs that the company **Industrias de Jabones y Detergentes Las Palmas, S. A. (RSPO member n° 1-0160-14-000-00)** is now in the application process for **RSPO Principles & Criteria Certification** related to the production of sustainable palm oil production. The audit is scheduled to take place between July 25th of 2016 and July 29th of 2016.

<b>Industrias de Jabones y Detergentes Las Palmas, S. A.</b>	
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Scope	Production of palm oil, palm kernel oil and derivatives.
Products	Palm Oil, Palm Kernel Oil, Soaps, Detergents and other derivatives.
Number of sites	7
Website	www.laspalmas.com.gt

<b>Standards that will be used for this assessment</b>
Guatemala National Interpretation (RSPO endorsed version 2015)
New Planting Procedures (September 2015 version)
RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard (November 2014 version)

Palm Oil Mill's Name	Address	GPS references		Mill capacity (Ton/hr)	Estimated / Forecast annual production (Mt)	
		Latitude	Longitude		CSPO	CSPK
<b>Planta de Beneficio Industria de Jabones y Detergentes Las Palmas S. A.</b>	<b>Km. 125, Finca Acacias, La Gomera Escuintla Guatemala</b>	<b>14°02'36.9 "N</b>	<b>91°07'08.1 "W</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>

<b>Suppliers' base</b>						
Name	Address	GPS references		Area summary (Ha)		Annual estimated certified FFB production (Mt)
		Latitude	Longitude	Total certified area	Planted area (mature + immature)	
<b>Acacias S. A.</b>	Finca Acacias, La Gomera; Escuintla	14°02'37.02 "N	91°07'7.99" O	513.51	513.51	10,300
<b>Quirica S. A.</b>	Finca Quirica, La Gomera; Escuintla	14°01'19.69 "N	91°07'55.5" O	609.96	609.96	12,300
<b>San Antonio S. A.</b>	Finca San Antonio; La Gomera; Escuintla	14°03'4.39" N	91°06'53.95 "O	768.44	768.44	19,800
<b>San Jorge S. A.</b>	Finca San Jorge, La Gomera; Escuintla	14°02'30.34 "N	91°0'47.85" O	487.27	487.27	13,600
<b>Alfa S. A.</b>	Finca Alfa, La Gomera; Escuintla.	14°0'08.08" N	91°13'5.31" O	411.75	411.75	10,600
<b>San Francisco S. A.</b>	Finca San Francisco, La Gomera; Escuintla	13°57'13.17 "N	91°12'26.56 "O	204.58	204.58	7,500
<b>Total</b>				<b>2,995.51</b>	<b>2,995.51</b>	<b>74,100</b>

Summary of the plantations and extraction site presently not included in the RSPO certification process:

Growers	Planted Area (Ha)	Maximum deadline for certification
Associated outgrowers (6)	599.00	2016
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>599.00</b>	<b>2016</b>

## About IBD

IBD is proud to be the largest certification body of Latin America and the only Brazilian certification body of organic products with IFOAM (international market), ISO 17065 (European Market - regulation EC834/2007), Demeter, USDA/NOP (North American market) and INMETRO / MAPA (Brazilian) accreditations, which makes its certificates accepted worldwide.

In addition to organic certification protocols, IBD also offers social and environmental certifications: RSPO (Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil), UEBT (Union for Ethical BioTrade), EcoSocial All Fair, 4C Association, Rainforest Alliance/Sustainable Agriculture Network, UTZ Certified.

## Public Consultation

The public consultation process is one of the main stages of the RSPO certification process, and it gives the possibility for stakeholders, related or affected by the company, to demonstrate and expose their views. With that in mind, IBD invites all stakeholders to provide in written form, any relevant information for the audit to be held at Las Palmas S.A., especially regarding environmental, labor and social aspects. We are open to positive and negative comments.

Among the topics to be commented on, but not limited to, are:

- **Environmental:** Compliance with current legislation, conservation of biodiversity, environmental protection and others.
- **Labor:** Respect for workers' rights, employment opportunities and others.
- **Social:** Impacts on the local community, relationship with these communities, transparency with the communities and others.

These and any other topics that may be considered relevant may be directed to:

### IBD Certificações

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We emphasize that we can contact you if we need more information on any raised issued. However, you may or may not be identified, and if you prefer to keep a low profile, your information will be considered confidential.

Comments received within 30 days, will be considered for this audit.

## About the audit team

Lead Auditor: Cuauhtemoc Cedillo

Has experience with management of natural resources, productive projects in rural areas, environmental laws and regulations.

Will audit environmental, HCV and social issues.

Auditor: Álvaro Garcia

Has experience with sustainable and agriculture standards and has been working with audits for more than 10 years, with specialty with agrochemicals.

Will audit good agricultural practices, pesticides, supply chain, traceability and issues related to palm planting.

Auditor: Lisbeth Carranza

Has experience in industry and agribusiness sector, audits and management systems.

Will audit management and to palm planting issues.

We appreciate your time and attention, and specially, your participation.

With best regards,

June 20th of 2016



Leonardo Gomes  
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