

August 16th, 2010

Invitation to comment on RSPO Certification Assessment of Minamas Plantation – SIME DARBY GROUP, Indonesia (PT Ladangrumpun Suburabadi and PT Sajang Heulang)

Dear Stakeholders,

Sime Darby Plantation Operation in Indonesia collectively called Plantation Upstream Indonesia. PT Minamas Gemilang and PT Anugerah Sumber Makmur managed the operation in Indonesia known as Minamas Plantation.

MINAMAS Plantation has applied to Mutuagung Lestari for assessment of their two subsidiary companies; PT Ladangrumpun Suburabadi and PT Sajang Heulang, located in South Kalimantan, Indonesia, against the requirement of The National Interpretation of Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil, Principles and Criteria (RSPO INA-NIWG, May 2008), Republic of Indonesia.

MINAMAS owned and operated 23 palm oil mills and 68 estates throughout Indonesia. The organization is a pioneer member of RSPO and has been taking an active role in the RSPO certification processes. MINAMAS Plantation is implementing programmes to achieve RSPO Certification for all operations by 31 December 2011.

PT Ladangrumpun Suburabadi has one mill and two nucleus estates with total land holding of 6,077 ha and they are in the process of developing smallholder scheme which covered 10,000 ha. While PT Sajang Heulang owned one mill and two nucleus estate with total land holding of 7,794 ha and they have developed smallholder scheme which cover area of 16,000 ha. The scope of this certification consists of two mills and four nucleus estates.

Mutuagung Lestari has planned to conduct the proposed certification assessment of two palm oil mills and four nucleus estates on October 4th, 2010 – October 9th, 2010.

Details of the plantation mills and estates to be assessed are as follows:

PT Ladangrumpun Suburabadi

Location	GPS Reference		Total Area (ha)
	Latitude	Longitude	
District Tanah Bumbu – South Kalimantan	3 ^o 35' 39" – 3 ^o 41' 27" S	115 ^o 33' 34" – 115 ^o 39' 46" E	6,077

Name of Estate	GPS Reference		Planted Area (ha)	FFB Production (tonnes/year)
	Latitude	Longitude		
Angsana Estate	3 ^o 35' 39" – 3 ^o 38' 45" S	115 ^o 34' 04" – 115 ^o 38' 11" E	3,033	48,944
Gunung Sari Estate	3 ^o 37' 40" – 3 ^o 41' 27" S	115 ^o 33' 34" – 115 ^o 39' 46" E	2,571	59,697
Total			5,604	108,640

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Name of Mill	Location	Mill Capacity		Annual Volume claim for certified (tonnes)	
		tonnes/hour	tonnes/year	CPO Output	PK Output
Angsana POM	Village Banjarsari, Subdistrict Satui, District Tanah Bumbu	60	366,637	25,789	5,325

Note: Angsana POM supplied from nucleus estates and partially from PT Sajang Heulang smallholders

PT Sajang Heulang

Location	GPS Reference		Total Area (ha)
	Latitude	Longitude	
District Tanah Bumbu – South Kalimantan	3 ^o 28' 07" – 3 ^o 46' 05" S	115 ^o 56' 23" – 115 ^o 46' 15" E	7,794

Name of Estate	GPS Reference		Planted Area (ha)	FFB Production (tonnes/year)
	Latitude	Longitude		
Pantai Bonati Estate	3 ^o 41' 35" – 3 ^o 46' 05" S	115 ^o 32' 23" – 115 ^o 41' 56" E	4,005	49,238
Mustika Estate	3 ^o 28' 07" – 3 ^o 33' 26" S	115 ^o 39' 02" – 115 ^o 46' 15" E	2,505	46,572
Total			6,510	95,810

Name of Mill	Location	Mill Capacity		Annual Volume claim for certified (tonnes)	
		tonnes/hour	tonnes/year	CPO Output	PK Output
Angsana Mini Mill	Village Persiapan Makmur Blok C, Subdistrict Angsana, District Tanah Bumbu	15	121,559	22,227	4,311

Mutuagung Lestari is also known as Mutu Certification International (MCI) and has started certification since 1990. As a private national company and supported with highly committed professionals, Mutuagung Lestari has gained recognition nationally and internationally. In June 2003, MCI has received recognition from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery of Japan (MAFF) as a Registered Overseas Certification Body (ROCB). MCI can thus certify and mark products with Japan Agricultural Standard (JAS) in countries such as Indonesia, Myanmar, Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam, East Timor, Philippines, Papua New Guinea and China. MCI is the first ROCB in Asia. National Accreditation Body (KAN) has accredited MCI as a Quality Management System Certification Body (ISO 9001:2008) and Environmental Management System Certification Body (ISO 14001:2004). Indonesia Ecolabelling Institute (LEI) has also accredited MCI as a Sustainable Forest Management Certification Body. Since June 2008, MCI is an accredited RSPO Certification Body.

The assessment team assigned for the certification assessment comprise of:

Deni A. Novendi as Lead Assessor (*Legal, Ecology, Social and Workers welfare, Stakeholders relation*); **Henry Marpaung** as Assessor (*Quality Management System, OHSAS*); **Muardi Marwas** as Assessor (*GAP*).

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With regards to the forthcoming certification assessment at the above stated locations, PT. Mutuagung Lestari welcomes stakeholders to provide comments (if any), on any of the following matters related to the site for assessment:

- Environmental protection within the estate(s) and mill(s) including use of pesticides, waste and effluent management
- Biodiversity conservation within the estate(s) and surroundings
- Opportunities for employment
- Opportunities for earning fair wages, overtime and piece-rated work
- Opportunities for contracts and out-sourced work
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
- Company relationship
- Any other topic / matters relevant to the assessment

Comments received within 30 days from the date of this letter will be considered in the certification assessment. Please include the following details in case we may need to contact you for clarification or follow-up on any issue raised by you.

NAME :
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If you wish your comments to be treated confidentially or to remain anonymous, please mark your reply "IN CONFIDENCE".

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.
Yours faithfully,



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