

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organisation

Royal Dutch Shell plc

1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organisation?

- ☐ Palm Oil Grower
- ☒ Processor and/or Trader
- ☐ Consumer Goods Manufacturer
- ☐ Retailer
- ☐ Bank and/or Investor
- ☐ Social and/or Development NGO
- ☐ Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
- ☐ Affiliate

1.3 Membership number

2-0059-07-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Palm Oil Processors and/or Traders

1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

Processors & Traders

1. Operational Profile

1.1 Please state your company's main activity within the palm oil supply chain.

- ☐ Refiner of CPO and PKO
- ☐ Palm Kernel Crusher
- ☐ Trader with Physical Possession
- ☒ Trader without Physical Possession
- ☐ Integrated Refiner-Trader-Processor
- ☐ Food and Non-Food Ingredients Producer
- ☐ Power, Energy and Biofuel Processor
- ☐ Animal Feed Producer
- ☒ Oleochemicals Producer
- ☐ Distribution & Logistics
- ☒ Other

Other

blender/end user

2. Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption

Information in Section 2 - Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Sourcing is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes volume data on palm oil and palm oil products consumed, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate uptake on a member, sector and total level. ACOP reports without reported volume data will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted.

2.1 Please include details of all operations using palm oil, owned and/or managed by the member and/or all entities that belong to the group.

Shell complies with biofuels mandates where applicable and is also involved in the production of lubricant additives and oleochemicals.

2.1.1 In which countries does your company sell goods with palm oil and palm oil products?

Applies globally

2.2 Total volume of all palm oil and palm oil products sourced in the year:

Description	Tonnes
Crude palm oil, including derivatives refined from CPO (tonnes)	672926.0
Crude palm kernel oil, including derivatives refined from CPKO (tonnes)	6393.0
Crude palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.0
Total	679319.0

2.3 Volume of RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products sourced in the year (tonnes):

Description	Crude Palm Oil (CPO) and CSPO Derivatives	Crude Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO) and CSPKO Derivatives	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	206512.0	6393.0	0.0
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Balance (MB)	121706.0	0.0	0.0
Segregated (SG)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	328218.0	6393.0	0.0

2.4 According to the volume information you have provided in Question PT.2.2 and Question PT.2.3, your company's certified palm oil and palm oil products uptake is:

49.26%

2.5 What is the estimated percentage of Certified Sustainable Palm Oil in the palm oil and palm oil products sold by your company in the following regions:

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	100.0
North America	0.0
Malaysia	100.0
Indonesia	100.0
China	0.0
India	0.0
Latin America	0.0
Africa	0.0
Rest of World	100.0

3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company achieve/obtain (or expects to achieve/obtain) the RSPO supply chain certification or RSPO trader/distributor licence?

2011

3.2 Which year did your company start (or expect to start) to source any RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products?

2011

3.2.1 If the previous target year for PT.3.2 has not been met, please explain why.

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3.3 Which year did your company achieve (or expects to achieve) 100% RSPO certification of all palm product processing facilities.

2016

3.3.1 If the previous target year for PT.3.3 has not been met, please explain why.

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3.4 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) sourcing only 100% RSPO-certified palm oil and oil palm products.

2016

3.5 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member sells goods with palm oil or palm oil products, please explain why

Whilst it appears that less than 50% of Shells palm oil footprint is RSPO certified, the remaining volume is certified according to EU RED compliant schemes (ISCC) for biofuels, thus meeting Shells commitment to 100% certified sustainable palm oil.

3.6 How does your company proactively promote RSPO and RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and oil palm products to your customers?

We do not actively promote RSPO directly to our fuel customers as the diesel purchased at the pump will be a mix from many sources and the biodiesel in the fuel will typically be made from many different feedstocks in addition to palm. However, we explain our membership and support of the RSPO in our Annual Sustainability Report, corporate website and other external communications. We are also continuously engaging our suppliers to encourage uptake of the standard.

4. Actions For Next Reporting Period

4.1 Please outline activities that your company will take in the coming year to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)

Shell continues to engage externally with suppliers and many key stakeholders advocating the benefits of robust multi-stakeholder round table standards. We continue to look for other opportunities to promote the standard and increase the proportion of RSPO mass balance certified material in our supply chain.

5. Shared Responsibility

The Board of Governors of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) approved new Shared Responsibility rules on 31 October 2019, requiring all members to share sustainability requirements and obligations. Reporting of Shared Responsibility indicators will be done through several channels, including ACOP. As the implementation of Shared Responsibility reporting is still on-going and in development, the Shared Responsibility section in ACOP is not yet final and may change in future ACOP cycles. For more information on Shared Responsibility, please go to <https://rspo.org/news-and-events/news/what-are-the-new-shared-responsibility-rules> or email the ACOP team at acop@rspo.org

Labour & Labour Rights

5.1 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?

No

Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

5.2 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Ethical Conduct & Human Rights?

No

Land Use

5.3 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Land Use?

No

Occupational Health & Safety**5.4 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?**

Yes

5.4.1 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Occupational Health & Safety policy in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

No

Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)**5.5 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)?**

Yes

5.5.1 Does the policy cover:

- ☒ Identification and assessment of GHG
- ☒ Public reporting of GHG footprint
- ☒ Monitored implementation plan to reduce or minimise GHG emissions

5.5.2 Has your company previously uploaded or linked its Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas policy or report in previous ACOP reporting cycles?

No

Complaints & Grievances**5.6 Does your company have a Complaints & Grievances Mechanism?**

No

Smallholders**5.7 Does your company support oil palm independent smallholder groups?**

Yes

5.7.1 Does this support cover:

- ☒ Fair and transparent dealings with Smallholders
- ☒ Improved Smallholder livelihoods

5.7.2 How is your company supporting them?

We have previously supported ~800 smallholder farmers in Thailand in improving practices and gaining RSPO certification. We are continually looking for further opportunities to support smallholders and expect to be sponsoring a second programme from 2020.

6. Challenges

6.1 What significant obstacles or challenges has your company encountered in the promotion of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)? What efforts has your company taken to address these obstacles or challenges?

- ☐ Awareness of RSPO in the market
- ☐ Difficulties in the certification process
- ☐ Certification of smallholders
- ☐ Competition with non-RSPO members
- ☐ High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
- ☐ Human rights issues
- ☐ Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
- ☐ Low usage of palm oil
- ☐ Reputation of palm oil in the market
- ☐ Reputation of RSPO in the market
- ☐ Supply issues
- ☐ Traceability issues
- ☐ No challenges faced
- ☒ Others

Others

The lack of availability of certified palm oil methyl ester in the regions where we are mandated to blend it (e.g. Thailand), is a significant issue. We continuously engage with our suppliers in these regions to try and encourage the uptake of the standard, however the regulated market in some countries does not provide any incentive for producers to become certified. We also have the challenge of the magnitude of the premiums being requested by the suppliers.

6.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP report, what other ways has your company supported the vision of the RSPO to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm?

- ☒ Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- ☒ Engagement with government agencies
- ☐ Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues such as trade workshops or industry associations
- ☐ Promotion of physical CSPO
- ☒ Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
- ☐ Research & Development support
- ☒ Stakeholder engagement
- ☐ No actions taken
- ☒ Others

Others

Shell continues to engage externally with many key stakeholders advocating the benefits of robust multi-stakeholder round table standards. We have also partnered with our supplier Patum Veg and assisted ~800 smallholder farmers in Thailand achieve RSPO certification. We continue to look for other opportunities to promote the standard and increase the proportion of RSPO mass balance certified material in our supply chains.

6.3 If your company has any other publicly-available reports or information regarding its palm oil-related policies and activities, please provide the links here

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