

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
Ajinomoto Frozen Foods Co., Inc. (for example)	Manufacturer	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
- Own-brand

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

Yes

2.2.1 Do you manufacture for:

Own Brand

2.2.2 Total volume of Refined Palm Oil or RBD Palm Oil used in the year:

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2.2.3 Total volume of Palm Kernel Oil used in the year:

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

2,740

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

2,740

2.3 Palm oil volume used 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/RBD palm oil (Tonnes)	Palm Kernel Oil (Tonnes)	Palm based derivatives or fractions (Tonnes)
1	Book & Claim	-	-	100.00
2	Mass Balance	-	-	-
3	Segregated	-	-	-
4	Identity Preserved	-	-	-
5	Total volume of palm oil handled that is RSPO-certified	-	-	100.00

2.4.1 Volume of Palm Kernel Expeller used/ handled:

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2.4.2 What type of products do you use CSPO for?

Processed foods

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

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

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

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

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

2018

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

n

3.5 Does your company use palm oil in products in goods you manufacture on behalf of other companies?

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When do you expect to actively promote the use of certified sustainable palm oil in other manufacturers' brands that you sell?

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

2015: Specialty Chemical Business area was certified with SCCS (MB/SG) in January and part of Processed Food Business area was also certified with SCCS (MB/SG) in May. We are trying to further increase coverage ratio of SCCS-certified business area, so we expect to achieve approx. 70%-coverage ratio in terms of use volume by the end of FY2015. We started to procure MB-grade CSPO in April. We are trying to increase CSPO volume stepwise, according to the CSPO availability as well as business competitiveness, and expect 12%-progressive CSPO% for 2015.

2016: Efforts will be continued. We expect 90%-SCCS coverage and 29%-progressive CSPO% for 2016.

2017: Efforts will be continued towards 90%-progressive CSPO%.

2018: Interim target year to achieve CSPO full use.

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, no requirement is shown by our B2B customers. We cannot find necessity or merit for our B2C products.

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

Actions for Next Reporting Period**6.1 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil.**

We simply do our best to secure steady progress of SCCS certification and MB sourcing according to our established concrete action plan towards our targets and goals.

We will also be actively engaged in business initiatives as well as multistakeholder initiatives towards mainstreaming CSPO in Japan, through participating in dissemination & awareness raising campaigns and leading discussions for establishment of green purchasing guidelines of palm oil.

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

- Others:--

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
 - Land Use Rights
 - Ethical conduct and human rights
 - Labour rights
 - Stakeholder engagement
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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-chainstakeholders 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.

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

2015: 12%

2016: 29%

2017: 90%

2018: 100%

Please refer to 3.7 for details.

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

Yes

How and when do you plan to immediately cover the gap using Book & Claim?

We started to use B&C in 2014. We consider volume, timing, applicable product category and cost while giving priority to secure procuring MB CSPO.

Concession Map

Do you agree to share your concession maps with the RSPO?

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 still 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 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.

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/>
