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19th August 2020

Dear Stakeholder,

Sir/Madam,

Invitation to Comment on RSPO Initial Certification Audit of Bukit Kretam Sdn Bhd


RSPO was established in 2004 with the objective of promoting the production and use of sustainable palm oil. RSPO certification will enable oil palm growers and palm oil millers to claim that their product is produced sustainably. Among the requirements to market the claim are:

- Adoption appropriate plantation and milling best practices
- Compliance with legal requirements
- Environmental responsibility and conservation of natural resources and biodiversity
- Responsible consideration of employees and of individual and communities
- Continual improvement

In ensuring that the organization seeking certification meets the above requirements, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. would like to invite interested parties to comment on the certification audit of Bukit Kretam Sdn. Bhd.

The followings are information on Bukit Kretam Sdn. Bhd. and SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.:

Bukit Kretam Sdn. Bhd. (RSPO Membership Number: 1-0292-20-000-00 / RSPO Member ID: RSPO_PO1000010776)

Bukit Kretam Sdn Bhd founded on 9th November 1981 as S.K Low Sdn Bhd and later on changed its name to Bukit Kretam Sdn Bhd on 10th October 1985. The head quarter located at Lot 23, MLDL 0718, Jalan Bahagia 1, Taman Bahagia, 91100 Lahad Datu, Sabah. The company started their oil palm planting with Bukit Kretam 1st generation planting in year 1998 until completion in year 2006.

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. is the oldest and leading certification, inspection and testing body in Malaysia. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. provides a comprehensive range of certification, inspection and testing services which are carried out in accordance with internationally recognised standards. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. has considerable experience in providing quality, environmental, and occupational health and safety management system certification services to the oil palm estates, palm oil mills and other downstream activities.
SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. plans to carry out the certification audit of Bukit Kretam Sdn. Bhd. starting from 21 September 2020 until 23 September 2020. Malaysia National Interpretation 2019 of RSPO Principles and Criteria for the Production of Sustainable Palm Oil 2018 will be used for this audit. Bukit Kretam Sdn. Bhd. is located at Kota Kinabatangan, Sabah, Malaysia. Details of the certification unit can be referred to Attachment 1 as attached in Appendix.

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. has appointed:

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<td>Mohd Ab Raouf Asis</td>
<td>Audit Team Leader / Timebound Plan and Social Issues</td>
<td>• B.Sc Management Technology (Production and Operation) (Hons) - University Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia&lt;br&gt;• More than 7 years working experience related to Oil Palm Plantation&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for QMS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully Completed RSPO Lead Assessor Course by David Ogg</td>
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<td>Mohd Zulfakar Kamaruzaman</td>
<td>Auditor / High Conservation Value Issues</td>
<td>• B. Sc. Forestry at University Putra Malaysia&lt;br&gt;• More than 5 years working experience related to Oil Palm Plantation&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed Lead Assessor training for RSPO&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed System accredited Lead Assessor training for QMS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed System accredited Lead Assessor training for EMS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed System accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully complete an RSPO-endorsed RSPO Supply Chain Certification training course 2016</td>
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<td>Rozaimee Ab Rahman</td>
<td>Auditor / Environmental and Occupational Safety &amp; Health Issues and Supply Chain</td>
<td>• Diploma in Fisheries - University Putra Malaysia&lt;br&gt;• B.Sc. Agriculture (Hons) - University Putra Malaysia&lt;br&gt;• Assistant manager with IOI Plantation Sdn Bhd (2012 - 2015), Yayasan Pahang Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd (2015 - 2016)&lt;br&gt;• More than 5 years working experience related to Oil Palm Plantation&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed Lead Assessor training for RSPO&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for EMS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS</td>
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<td>Amir Bahari</td>
<td>Auditor / Good Agriculture Practice Issues and GHG</td>
<td>• B.Sc. (Hons) Chemistry &amp; Diploma in Palm Oil Milling Technology&lt;br&gt;• More than 30 years of experience in the oil palm estates and palm oil mills.&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for EMS&lt;br&gt;• Successfully completed accredited Lead Assessor training for OHSAS</td>
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In relation to the forthcoming audits, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. welcomes stakeholders to comment on the following topics:

- Environmental protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunities for employment
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
- Company approach to community development
- Participation in decision making
- Any other topic / matter or issue of relevance to the audit or about the company/estates/mills or auditors

Comments received prior to the audit will be considered. Please direct your comments to:

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,

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APPENDIX

Attachment 1
Details of Bukit Kretam Sdn Bhd

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<td>Batu 13, KM 56, Jalan Jeroco, 90200 Kota Kinabatangan, Sabah, Malaysia</td>
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