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Dear Stakeholders,

Public Notification on upcoming RSPO Certification Initial Assessment of KUD Teratai Biru and its independent outgrowers, in Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub-District, Musi Banyuasin District, South Sumatera Province, Indonesia.

KUD Teratai Biru has applied to PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia for assessment of one of their holdings against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil Principles and Criteria (P&C RSPO) for Group Certification, INA-National Interpretation RSPO P & C for Independent Smallholders, RSPO Accreditation and Certification Requirements for Group Certification. The assessment shall be carried out by a qualified team of auditors to assess legal, environmental, economical, safety and social aspects as covered by the RSPO P&C.

KUD Teratai Biru is an organization of independent outgrowers, held in South Sumatera Province, and registered in deed of notary public named KUD Teratai Biru No. 0060.a/BH/PAD/VII.3/V/2012 dated 19 Mei 2012. This organization held to create the welfare for its outgrowers and to promote sustainable palm oil in South Sumatera Province. KUD Teratai Biru has more than 183 independent outgrowers in 318.61 ha plantation area. KUD Teratai Biru has also registered as RSPO member on 17 March 2016 with Member ID Number 1-0207-16-000-00.

Scope of assessment:

The RSPO certification assessment of KUD Teratai Biru in Musi Banyuasin is scheduled to commence from October 24 to 28, 2016. The assessment shall be carried out for KUD Teratai Biru and palm oil plantation of its independent outgrowers. The details of the organization to be assessed are as follows:

Palm Oil Plantation to be included in the main assessment*:			
Name of Independent Smallholders Group	Location	Area Summary (Ha)	Average Annual FFB Production (Tonnes)
Makmur Jaya	Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	44.00	921.894
Sumber Rezeki	Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	46.00	915.761
Cinta Damai	Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	44.00	880.133
Mekar Sari	Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	50.00	863.355
Sabar Menanti	Peninggalan Village, Tungkal Jaya Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	48.00	729.027

Harapan Jaya	Bumi Kencana Village, Sungai Lilin Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	48.00	588.530
Sido Dadi	Bumi Kencana Village, Sungai Lilin Sub District, Musi Banyuasin District	38.61	976.260
TOTAL		318.61	5,874.960

* Data from Januari until December 2015. Data presented is provided by the organization and will be verified during the certification audit.

Assessment Team:

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The assessment team assigned for the certification assessment of KUD Teratai Biru is as follows:

Lead auditor: Wahyu (Environment, Occupational Health & Safety and QMS)

Auditors: Meidia Pratama (Workers, Social, Local Communities, and External Stakeholders), Ade Sudiana (Economic, High Conservation Value and Code of Ethic) and Steve Mualim (Green House Gasses, Good Agriculture Practice, and Agrochemical)

Invitation to all stakeholders:

As a part of the certification assessment procedure we invite stakeholders to offer comments and feedback (if any) on KUD Teratai Biru in relation to the relevant RSPO P&C for Group Certification, INA-National Interpretation RSPO P & C for Independent Smallholders, RSPO Accreditation and Certification Requirements for Group Certification on any of the following issues:

- Environmental protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunities for employment, earning fair wages, overtime and piece-rated work
- Company approach to community development
- Provision of housing, sanitation, amenities and educational support
- Community development
- Land acquisition process
- Free, prior and informed consent
- Other matters pertaining to RSPO

Your comments or observations can be communicated to us through either a meeting with assessment team member during the fieldwork or submitting written comments by email, fax or regular mail to contact details below. Comments submitted within 30 days from the date of this notification shall be considered during the certification assessment. However, your input will be welcome at any stage of the assessment process. Unless you request otherwise, these comments will be kept confidential and made available to only PT TUV Rheinland Indonesia, and the RSPO Board.

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,



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