Subject: PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAIN CERTIFICATION AUDIT OF SIME DARBY PLANTATION BERHAD – NBPOL MARKHAM FARMING COMPANY LIMITED

Date: 6-2-2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

Markham Farming Company Limited, plantation company located in Papua New Guinea has applied to Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd to carry out main audit activities in accordance with the Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands National Interpretation 2019 of RSPO Principles and Criteria 2018, as endorsed by RSPO Board of Governors on 7th November 2019, of its palm oil production.

The **initial certification audit** is planned to commence on **9 March 2020** and will be completed on **13 March 2020**

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<th>Applicant</th>
<th>Sime Darby Plantation Berhad</th>
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| Contact details | George Samson  
Sustainability Manager RAI  
New Britain Palm Oil Limited (Group)  
PO Box 82, Lae,  
Morobe Province,  
411, Papua New Guinea  
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george.samson@nbpol.com |
| RSPO membership number | 1-0008-04-000-00  
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad |

**Brief information about Applicant**

New Britain Palm Oil Limited (NBPOL) is Papua New Guinea’s largest oil palm plantation and milling operator. NBPOL’s core activity is the cultivation and processing of Oil Palm into Crude Palm Oil (CPO), Palm Kernel Oil (PKO) and Palm Kernel Expeller (PKE) for sales to both domestic and foreign markets. The supply bases of the Erap Oil Mill consist of 3 internally owned estates.
### Palm Oil Mill (POM) for this Assessment

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<tr>
<th>Name of Palm Oil Mill</th>
<th>Mill Capacity</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>GPS reference</th>
<th>Forecasted Annual output (MT)</th>
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<tr>
<td>ERAP Palm Oil Mill</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>36th Mile Lae - Highlands Highway, Lae Morobe PNG</td>
<td>146.64222, -6.58087</td>
<td>10807 MT, 2235 MT</td>
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### ASSOCIATED SUPPLY BASE OF FFB TO THE ABOVE POM TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS ASSESSMENT

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<tr>
<th>Name of estate / association</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>GPS reference</th>
<th>Area Summary (Ha)</th>
<th>Annual Estimation FFB (MT)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Maralumi Estate</td>
<td>36th Mile Lae - Highlands Highway, LAE Morobe PNG</td>
<td>-6.59151, 146.67445</td>
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<td>Erap Estate</td>
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<td>Munum Estate</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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<td>5,400, 0</td>
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Details on the audit team:

**LEAD ASSESSOR**

_Supun Sachitra Nigamuni_

Forestry and environmental specialist with B.Sc. Special Degree in Forestry and Environmental Science and has over nine years’ experience in compliance auditing, training, certification and program management. Currently responsible for managing Environmental Services for the Asian region which provides sustainability solutions for products, entities and activities in providing life cycle assessments, environmental footprints, carbon neutral certification. He also manages Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) certification activities for Control Union Certifications worldwide. He is a senior auditor having International Auditing experience in 12 countries over the last 6 years for Forest Management, Chain of Custody, RSPO P&C and SCC, ISO 14001, GHG assessments and other environmental and social programs across many sectors. He has also engaged in numerous environmental impact assessments, initial environmental examinations, and sociological surveys in Sri Lanka.

**SUPPORTING ASSESSORS**

_Mohd Ezani Bin Abdul Aziz_

Graduate of UPM in Bachelor of Engineering (Biology & Agriculture). Experienced as Assistant Manager Plantation since 2006. Passed the Lead Auditor Course for ISO 9001. Participated in RSPO and MSPO audit. Fluent in English and Bahasa Malaysia/Indonesia.

_Mohd Hairi_

Graduate of Bachelor Science of Forestry from Universiti Putra Malaysia in the year of 2008. Have experience as Estate Manager for Felda Technoplant Sdn Bhd. Part of RSPO and MSPO audit team member in Malaysia and Indonesia. Fluent in English and Bahasa Malaysia/Indonesia.

**LOCAL EXPERT**

_Serpico Liliome_

An environment expert that graduated from PNG University of Technology, in Bachelors Degree in Applied Chemistry in 2004. Having 13 years working experience in various sector such as mining, fisheries and livestock, agriculture, energy development, construction and water sanitation and hygiene, besides experienced as project consultant and advisor. Participated in audit team as local expert for Control Union. Fluent in English and local languages, Tok Pisin.
Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd is an international inspection and certification body. CUC performs assessments and certification in many agricultural based fields such as FSC, RSPO, and Organic production, Sustainable Textile Production, Organic Exchange, GLOBALGAP, HACCP, BRC, GMP. Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd is accredited for RSPO (RSPO-ACC-021) for the scope of P&C (Single Site & Group) and SCCS worldwide. When requested, a copy of the accreditation certificate can be obtained from CUC.

Stakeholder consultation is one of the most important parts in certification process; during which relevant national, regional as well as local stakeholders are asked to give their views and opinions as to whether the applicant’s certification units comply with the requirements of the applicable National Interpretation.

We invite all stakeholders to take part in this consultation procedure as you can make a positive contribution to the certification decision. We ask you to raise any issues, both positive and negative, by sending a written response by mail, fax or by E-mail to our Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd office as indicated below.

For your guidance, you may consider the following points:

- 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 issue, both positive and negative that you consider may be of relevance to the assessment.
- Issues relating to other plantations owned by the company not included in this assessment.
- A copy of the applicable RSPO standard for the country, in which the assessment is being conducted, is available from www.rspo.org. Alternatively please ask Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd for a copy.

Your responses will be dealt with in complete confidentiality and will only be distributed to the appropriate persons within the organizations of CUC, ASI and RSPO.

When required your reply will remain confidential. Please add “Confidential” in your response and when preferred your response can be added as anonymous in the public summary of the report. In that case please also add “Anonymous” in your response.

If requested by you, the audit team will make the necessary arrangements to allow you to meet with them during the evaluation.

Please direct your comments to:

Control Union Malaysia Office
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Scheme Coordinator,
B-3-1, Prima Klang Avenue,
Jalan Kota KS/1,
41100 Klang, Selangor,
Malaysia

E-Mail: cecheah@controlunion.com
Fax: +603 3377 1800
Comments received within 30 days from the date of this letter will be considered in this Assessment. Please include the following information should we need to contact you for clarification on any issues raised:

Name : 
Address : 
E-Mail : 
Phone Number : 
Summary of Issue :

We thank you for the participation and feedback.

Yours Sincerely,

Cheah Chi Ern
Scheme Coordinator,
Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd