

Public Notification of RSPO Initial Certification Audit of Independent Smallholders

PCC Independent Smallholder Farmers Association, GHANA
RSPO Membership: 1-0396-22-000-00

20 August 2022

Dear Stakeholders:

PCC Independent Smallholder Farmers Association has commissioned SCS Global Services to conduct an RSPO Initial of ISH Group Assessment located near Abenase, Akim Oda, Eastern Region, Ghana.

SCS Global Services plans to conduct the Initial assessment of the ISH Group from **3th to 5th October 2022**. The assessment will be conducted against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil Independent Smallholder Standard 2019.

The assessment will cover legal, environment, economical, workers' health and safety, and social aspects as required by the RSPO Independent Smallholder Standard. Below is general information related to the ISH Group.

ISH Group	
Group Manager Name	PCC Independent Smallholder Farmers Association
PalmTrace	RSPO_PO1000014445
Group Manager Address	Box 439, Akim Oda, Eastern Region. Ghana
ISH Group Location	Abenase, Akim Oda, Eastern Region. Ghana
GPS Reference (in degree, minute & second)	N 6° 0' 19.08" W 1° 1' 56.026"

List of Group Members

Name of Farmer	Location	GPS Coordinates	Area Summary		Forecasted Annual FFB Production (MT)	Any Liabilities?
			Total Certified Area (ha)	Planted Area (ha)		
Joel Ohemeng	Gyadam	5°56'27.45"N 1° 3'15.03"W	5	2	30.00	NO
Kwaku Bosompem	Gyadam	5°55'30.56"N 1° 2'39.16"W	8	3.73	55.95	NO
Enock K. Osei	Gyadam	5°57'49.74"N 1° 2'5.43"W	10	4.7	75.5	NO
Cecilia A. Debrah	Gyadam	5°55'58.64"N 1° 3'20.83"W	3	4.7	75.5	NO
Emmanuel O. Yeboah	Gyadam	5°56'27.90"N 1° 3'27.21"W	4	4.7	75.5	NO
Selina Ofori	Gyadam	5°56'9.91"N 1° 3'11.17"W	3	0.74	11.1	NO
Victoria Dwamena	Gyadam	5°55'20.62"N 1° 2'50.13"W	3	3.04	45.6	NO
Nartey B. Ebenezer	Akim Chin	6° 8'8.92"N 1°10'19.45"W	4	0.5	7.5	NO
Felix Narteh	Akim Chin	6° 7'37.98"N 1°10'55.79"W	5	1.7	25.5	NO
Abraham Adoko	Wenchi	5°59'14.11"N 0°57'27.51"W	6	4.21	63.15	NO

Charles Amoah	Wenchi	6° 0'33.07"N 0°56'54.91"W	3	2.21	33.15	NO
Stanley Obeng	Wenchi	5°59'45.31"N 0°54'45.73"W	7	5.9	88.5	NO
Kwaku Gyimah	Wenchi	5°59'28.48"N 0°57'37.72"W	2.39	2.39	35.85	NO
James Kwame Arthur	Ofoase Kuma	6°10'32.15"N 1° 9'23.54"W	5	1.72	25.8	NO
Samuel Quainoo	Ofoase Kuma	6°11'57.58"N 1°10'55.61"W	3	3.32	49.8	NO
Yaa Donkor	Gyadam	5°55'27.94"N 1° 2'25.09"W	3	0.68	10.2	NO
Philip Kumah	Ofoase Kuma	6°10'1.17"N 1°10'15.39"W	4	1.074	16.11	NO
Peter Adu Oteng	Akim Chin	6° 6'56.50"N 1°11'44.54"W	3	2.42	36.3	NO
Kwame Boadi	Gyadam	5°56'24.69"N 1° 1'52.92"W	4	2.48	37.2	NO
Veronica Odosu	Akim Chin	5°55'21.11"N 0°58'20.28"W	3	0.202	3.03	NO
Joseph Narh	Akim Chin	6° 7'4.82"N 1°11'37.22"W	3	0.404	6.06	NO
Kofi Bimpong	Gyadam	05° 56.81"N 001°01.662"W	4	1.84	27.6	NO
Afia Duku	Gyadam	5°55'40.77"N 1° 2'40.58"W	3	0.75	11.25	NO
Amaning John	Ofoase Kuma	6°10'11.98"N 1° 9'49.38"W	3	2.23	33.45	NO
Kwedwo Abotse	Gyadam	5°57'16.32"N 1° 2'59.15"W	6	4.01	60.15	NO
Gladys Kwakyewaa	Gyadam	5°56'32.73"N 1° 2'55.18"W	3	1.42	21.3	NO
Yaw Apau	Gyadam	5°56'2.13"N 1° 2'11.69"W	3	0.35	5.25	NO
Mercy Ampaabeng	Gyadam	5°57'20.35"N 1°2'55.60"W	3	0.97	14.55	NO
Bright Obeng Owusu	Wenchi	5°59'26.07"N 0°57'44.88"W	4	3.8	57	NO
Kwabena Nyarko	Wenchi	5°59'12.25"N 0°55'36.57"W	3	1.133	16.995	NO
Paul Abeka	Wenchi	5°58'52.47"N 0°56'0.08"W	4	2.7856	41.784	NO
Narteh Otoo	Yaw Nkran	6° 6'54.34"N 1° 9'13.10"W	10	6.6	99	NO
Samuel Antwi	Gyadam	5°56'49.38"N 1° 1'33.85"W	3	0.82	12.3	NO
Margaret Arthur	Ofoase Kuma	6°10'2.02"N 1°10'34.42"W	3	0.24	3.6	NO
John Adoko Otu	Wenchi	5°59'17.72"N 0°57'31.29"W	3	1.43	21.45	NO
Kwame Amo	Ayeldo	05°19'51.59"N 01°06'43.56"W	36	35.8	537	NO
Emma King	Ayeldo	05°19'36.97"N 01°07'01.22"W	34	33.2	498	NO
Mercy Appiagyei	Japandu	6°29'44.81"N 1°28'2.39"W	3	1	15	NO
George Tawiah	Japandu	6°29'39.77"N 1°27'48.69"W	3	0.9	13.5	NO
Esther Adormaa	Japandu	6°29'52.92"N 1°28'1.55"W	2	0.8	12	NO
Matthew Bio	Japandu	6°30'5.53"N 1°28'24.99"W	3	0.7	4.5	NO
Margaret Pokuaa	Japandu	6°29'57.51"N 1°27'55.40"W	4	0.8	12	NO
Aboagye Dacosta	Japandu	6°30'11.64"N 1°28'32.72"W	5	0.3	4.5	NO
Nana Kyei Boakye	Japandu	6°30'8.28"N 1°28'41.72"W	4	1.1	16.5	NO

Cecila Adu	Japandu	6°29'43.86"N 1°27'24.88"W	3	0.4	6	NO
Kofi Gyasi	Japandu	6°29'45.53"N 1°27'44.22"W	4	1	15	NO
Kofi Adjei	Japandu	6°28'39.99"N 1°27'59.87"W	2	0.2	3	NO
Beatrice Acheampong	Japandu	6°29'46.44"N 1°27'42.44"W	3	0.8	12	NO
Kate Adomaa	Japandu	6°29'56.77"N 1°27'41.83"W	4	1.6	24	NO
Samuel Nti	Adumasa	6°28'38.52"N 1°28'31.28"W	4	2.9	43.5	NO
Mary Anane	Adumasa	6°29'44.58"N 1°27'31.95"W	5	1	15	NO
Juliana Amoateng	Kusease	6°27'29.34"N 1°28'14.41"W	3	0.6	9	NO
Paul Boamah	Kusease	6°27'25.21"N 1°28'7.05"W	4	0.6	9	NO
Edward Amoateng	Dajanso	6°28'25.59"N 1°27'46.76"W	3	0.4	6	NO
Dominic Manu	Dajanso	6°28'14.29"N 1°27'56.26"W	5	2.2	33	NO
Kwabena Donkoh	Dajanso	6°28'6.27"N 1°27'56.11"W	2	0.7	10.5	NO
Stephen Boadi	Dajanso	6°28'9.16"N 1°27'49.03"W	4	1.2	18	NO
Grace Adormaa	Dajanso	6°28'7.41"N 1°28'39.39"W	2	1	15	NO
Alex Boamah	Dajanso	6°27'59.19"N 1°28'31.26"W	2	1.6	24	NO
Stephen K. Agyemang	Dajanso	6°27'39.74"N 1°28'0.96"W	2	0.3	4.5	NO
George Anor	Ampento	6°27'29.41"N 1°28'8.85"W	1	0.3	4.5	NO
Yaw Opoku	Ampento	6°27'33.90"N 1°27'29.96"W	3	0.7	10.5	NO
Samuel Kyei	Beposo	6°26'45.18"N 1°26'38.52"W	1	0.5	7.5	NO
Mark Boateng	Beposo	6°26'46.20"N 1°26'51.81"W	2	0.3	4.5	NO
Charles Owusu	Beposo	6°26'45.26"N 1°26'54.34"W	2	0.5	7.5	NO
Yaw Boamah	Beposo	6°26'19.11"N 1°26'17.07"W	3	0.2	3	NO
Osei Mintah	Beposo	6°26'24.83"N 1°27'5.18"W	2	0.3	4.5	NO
Matthew Aseidu	Beposo	6°26'28.59"N 1°27'1.93"W	3	0.6	9	NO
Total			309.4	175.70	2,650.479	

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Name	Role	Audit Aspects
Charles Kaudio	Lead Auditor	Social Expert, ICS, Group Manager, Claims
Frank Adu	Audit Team Member	Eligibility, Milestone A and B. HCV's, BMP, IPM, FPIC

SCS Global Services invites stakeholders to provide written comments on any of the following issues related to the operations of ISH Group PCC Independent Smallholder Farmers Association particularly related to social and environmental impacts.

Topics that you may wish to comment on are as follows:

- Environmental Protection
- Biodiversity conservation
- Opportunity for employment
- Company approach to community development
- Your relationship with the company
- Participation in decision making
- Free, prior and informed consent
- Suggestion for improvement

Comments received within 30 days from the date of this notification will be considered during the certification assessment. Please include the following details in case we need to contact you for additional information or clarification on any issued raised:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

If you wish your comments to be treated confidentiality or remain anonymous, please indicate 'CONFIDENTIAL' in your correspondence to us. Please send comments to:

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Thank you for your comments and feedback.

Sincerely,



Adriana Cala
 RSPO Program Manager