

Particulars

About Your Organisation

1.1 Name of your organization

Golden Veroleum (Liberia) Inc. (GVL)

1.2 What is/are the primary activity(ies) or product(s) of your organization?

- Grower
 - Processor and/or Trader
 - Consumer Goods Manufacturer
 - Retailer and/or Wholesaler
 - Bank and/or Investor
 - Social and/or Development NGO
 - Environmental and/or Conservation NGO
 - Supply Chain Associate
 - Affiliate
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1.3 Membership number

1-0102-11-000-00

1.4 Membership category

Oil Palm Growers

1.5 Membership sector

Ordinary

Grower**1. Operational Profile**

1.1 Please state your main activities as a palm oil grower:

- Oil palm grower without palm oil mill
 Oil palm grower with palm oil mill
 Oil palm grower with palm oil mill and palm kernel crushing plant
 Smallholder Group Manager
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2. Operations and Certification Progress

2.1 Land area controlled and managed associated to palm oil

2.1.1 Please state the number of palm oil estates controlled or managed

9.00

2.1.2 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - planted (hectares)

18,290.00

2.1.3 Total land controlled or managed for oil palm cultivation - unplanted (hectares)

10,782.00

2.1.4 Total land designated and managed as HCV areas (hectares)

11,482.00

2.1.5 Other conservation areas set aside excluding HCV areas reported in 2.1.4

0.00

2.1.6 Total land under Scheme/Plasma smallholders certified (hectares)

0.00

2.1.7 Total land under Scheme/Plasma smallholders uncertified (hectares)

0.00

2.1.8 Total land area controlled/managed for oil palm cultivation

40,554.00

2.2 Certification progress:

2.2.1 Number of management units certified under RSPO P&C Certification

0.00

2.2.2 Total certified area under RSPO P&C Certification

0.00

2.3 In which countries are your estates located?**2.3.1 Indonesia - Please indicate which province(s)**

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2.3.2 Malaysia - Please indicate which state(s)

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Other:

Liberia

2.4 New plantings and development (excluding replanting):**2.4.1 New area planted in this reporting period (hectares)**

1,532.00

2.4.2 Did you submit any New Planting Procedures (NPP) notifications to RSPO this year?

No

2.4.2.1 For plantings undertaken in this reporting period, have NPPs been submitted previously?

Yes

2.4.2.2 How many NPP notifications have been submitted to RSPO during this reporting period?

0.00

2.4.2.3 Please explain why NPP notifications have not been submitted to RSPO for the year or in the previous year for plantings undertaken in this reporting period?

Areas planted covered by NPPs submitted in previous years

2.5 Supply of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)**2.5.1 Please choose from the list below if you have smallholders and/or outgrowers as part of your supply base?**

- Scheme/Plasma smallholders
- Independent smallholders
- Outgrowers
- Other third-party suppliers

2.5.2 Scheme/Plasma smallholder operations that supply your organisation:

2.5.2.1 Scheme/Plasma Smallholder total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)

0

2.5.2.2 Scheme/Plasma Smallholder FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)

0

2.5.3 Independent smallholder operations that supply your organisation:

2.5.3.1 Independent Smallholder Total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)

0

2.5.3.2 Independent Smallholder FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)

0

2.5.4 Outgrower operations that supply your organisation

2.5.4.1 Outgrower total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)

0

2.5.4.2 Outgrower FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)

0

2.5.5 Other 3rd party supplier operations that supply your organisation

2.5.5.1 Other 3rd Party Supplier total FFB volume that is supplied (tonnes)

0

2.5.5.2 Other 3rd Party Supplier FFB volume supplied that is certified (tonnes)

0

2.6 Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) processing and production operations

2.6.1 Number of palm oil mills operated

1.00

2.6.2 Number of palm oil mills certified under RSPO P&C 2013

0.00

2.6.3 Total hourly FFB processing capacity (tonne FFB/hr)

40.00

2.7 Palm Kernel processing and production capacity

2.7.1 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills operated0

2.7.2 Number of palm kernel crushers and/or palm kernel mills certified under RSPO Supply Chain Certification (SCC)0

2.7.3 Total hourly kernel processing capacity (tonne PK/hr)0

3. Volume of RSPO-certified oil palm products**3.1 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified**

3.1.1 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Identity Preserved (IP)0.00

3.1.2 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Segregated (SG)0.00

3.1.3 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Mass Balance (MB)0.00

3.1.4 CSPO sold as RSPO-certified - Book and Claim (Credits)0.00

3.1.5 Total CSPO sold as RSPO-certified0.00

3.2 CSPO sold under other certification schemes0.00

3.3 CSPO sold as conventional0.00

3.4 Total CSPO0.00

3.5 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified

3.5.1 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Identity Preserved (IP)0.00

3.5.2 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Segregated (SG)0.00

3.5.3 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified - Mass Balance (MB)0.00

3.5.4 CSPK sold as RSPO-certified0.00

3.6 CSPK sold under other certification schemes0.00

3.7 CSPK sold as conventional0.00

3.8 Total CSPK0.00

4. Time-Bound Plan**4.1 Year of first RSPO P&C certification (planned or achieved)**2022

4.2 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of estates and mills.2023

4.2.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.

Internal gap analysis has been done using RSPO P&C 2013 and some non-conformities have been found. These are being fixed together with a broader Sustainability Action Plan launched in July 2018 which is expected to take between 12-18 months. Furthermore, there are limited expertise and training available for P&C 2018 which will be applicable for planned certification.

4.3 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification of Scheme/Plasma/Associated smallholders and Outgrowers.2024

4.3.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.

Currently, there are no scheme or associated smallholders as the model for this is not yet established in Liberia. GVL is having discussions with the government and other parties to establish this.

4.4 Year expected to achieve 100% RSPO certification for all FFB, regardless of source.2024

4.4.1 If target has not been met, please explain why.See above.

5. Concession Map

5.1 With regards to RSPO General Assembly resolution 6G that calls for members to submit maps of their concessions by ACOP deadline, please upload your estate location concession map(s) in Shapefile format.

Uploaded

5.2 You hereby declare that map data submission represents 100% of an oil palm growers' concession sites (both RSPO certified and uncertified)

Yes

5.3 Please state if any concession sites have been recently acquired or if any concession sites have changed ownership since the previous ACOP submission.

GVL concession agreement with the Government of Liberia covers an area of interest which is larger than the submitted area, which are areas where Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) have been signed with communities. This is because the agreement does not allow development until due process is completed which includes the signing of MoUs.

6. GHG Footprint

6.1 Are you currently assessing your operational GHG footprint using the RSPO PalmGHG Calculator?

No

6.1.1 Please upload your publicly available report

File: --

6.1.1.1 OR please insert the URL to the GHG section of your corporate website.

Link:

6.1.2 What method are you currently using to assess your operational GHG footprint?

Will be using the PalmGHG but only starting in 2019

6.2 GHG footprint

6.2.1 What is the average GHG footprint by - hectare (tCO₂e/ha)?

0.00

6.2.2 What is the average GHG footprint by - tonne of crude palm oil (tCO₂e/tCPO)?

0.00

6.3 What would be the key emission sources identified?

Please see 6.1.2

6.4 What measures are currently being taken to reduce GHG emissions?

Please see 6.1.2

7. Actions for Next Reporting Period

7.1 Outline activities that you will undertake in the coming year to advance your certification efforts.

1. Complete Sustainability Action Plan to ensure foundations for sustainable certification established.
 2. Pre-certification activities related to 1st commercial mill in Tarjuowon including internal audits.
 3. Pre-certification activities related to supply base for Tarjuowon mill including internal audits.
 4. Continuing education on RSPO standard, 2018 P&C and GVL Sustainability SOPs for operations and sustainability teams.
 5. Submission of NPP for planned new planting areas.
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7.2 Outline activities that you will undertake in the coming year to promote CSPO along the supply chain.

1. Work with partners to explore pilot of sustainable community oil palm
 2. Continue to engage and educate government and other important stakeholders (contractors, NGOs) on RSPO and sustainable commercial agriculture.
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8. Non-Disclosure

8.1 Information in the sections above are mandatory declarations in your ACOP. For confidentiality purposes, members may choose not to display volume data in Section 2 and Section 3 publicly; however, RSPO reserves the right to utilise the member's data on an aggregate basis for sectoral and total analysis. Please check this box if the member chooses to have the data in Section 2 and Section 3 displayed publicly.

Yes - Display Publicly

9. Support for Oil Palm Smallholders**9.1 Are you currently supporting any oil palm Independent Smallholder groups?**

No

9.2 How are you supporting them?

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9.2.1 Do you have any future plans to support oil palm Independent Smallholders?

No

9.2.2 When do you plan to start supporting oil palm Independent Smallholders?

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10. Challenges

10.1 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?

- Awareness of RSPO in the market
- Difficulties in the certification process
- Certification of smallholders
- Competition with non-RSPO members
- High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
- Human rights issues
- Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
- Low usage of palm oil
- Reputation of palm oil in the market
- Reputation of RSPO in the market
- Supply issues
- Traceability issues
- Others

Other:

RSPO Complaints Process does not work as well in Africa due to lack of presence and reliance on external sources of information and verification. Significant management time and resources are spent on addressing complaints, many of which are not substantiated, rather than focusing on constructive efforts to achieve sustainable production and certification.

10.2 In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP, how has your organisation supported the vision of RSPO to transform the market for sustainable palm oil in other ways?

- Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- Engagement with government agencies
- Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues eg trade workshops industry associations
- Promotion of physical CSPO
- Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
- Research & Development support
- Stakeholder engagement
- Others

Other:**10.3 Please add links to any other information from your organisation on your policies and actions on palm oil:**

<https://goldenveroleumliberia.com/about-gvl/>