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RSPO NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED NEW PLANTING

This notification shall be on the RSPO website for 30 days as required by the RSPO procedures for new plantings (<http://www.rspo.org/?q=page/535>). It has also been posted on local on-site notice boards.

Date of notification: September 14, 2012

Tick whichever is appropriate

√	This is a completely new development and stakeholders may submit comments.
	This is part of an ongoing planting and is meant for notification only.

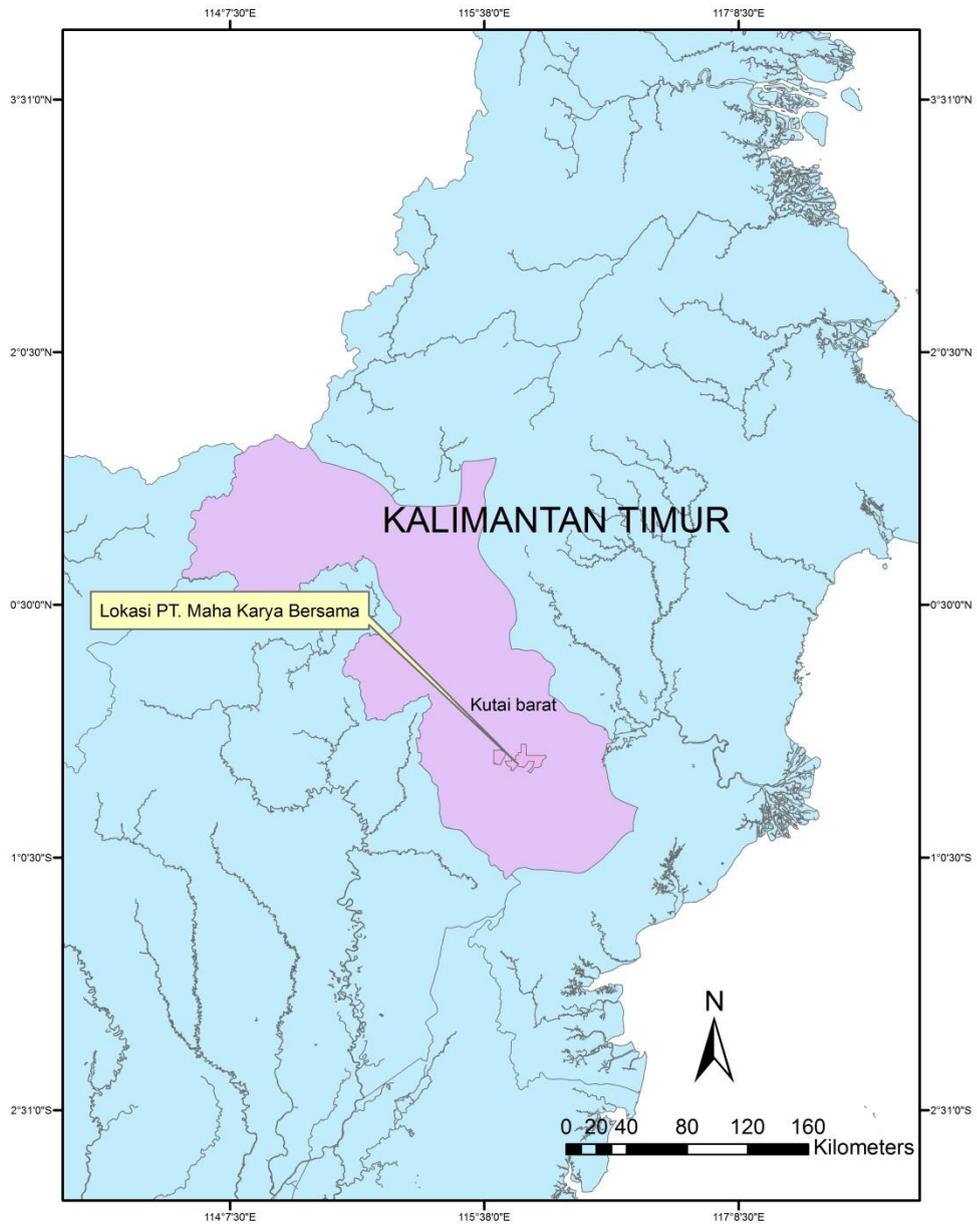
COMPANY : First Resources Ltd

SUBSIDIARY (If any) : PT. Maha Karya Bersama (MKB)

RSPO Membership No. : 1-0047-08-000-00 since March 11, 2008

Location of proposed new planting	GPS coordinates	Legal permit
Damai Village, Mendika Village, Jengan Danum Village, Kaliq Village, Muhur Village, Tabisaq Village, Kelepapak Village, Dingin Village and Peninggir Village; Damai, Siluq ngurai and Muara Lawa Sub District; Kutai Barat Regency, East Kalimantan Province, Indonesia	E : 115°41'21" – 115° 55'03" S : 0°22'05" – 0° 23' 04"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location Permit: Decree of Regent Kutai No. 525.26/K.617a/2010 dated on July 1, 2010 with total area 24,638 ha Plantation Permit : Decree of Regent Kutai Barat No. 525.29/K.775/2011 dated on October 3, 2011 with total area 24,638 ha.

Location Map of PT. MKB in East Kalimantan



SUMMARY OF SEIA ASSESSMENT

PT. Maha Karya Bersama (MKB) has performed document of *Analisis Mengenai Dampak Lingkungan* (AMDAL) as mandatory obligation from the Government of Indonesia for every new project which can have significant impact to the environment. This assessment consisting of three main documents, *Analisa Dampak Lingkungan* (ANDAL), *Rencana Pengelolaan Lingkungan* (RKL), and *Rencana Pemantauan Lingkungan* (RPL) or Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan. The AMDAL documents mentioned the positive and negative impact and the program how to manage and monitor the impacts. ANDAL, RKL-RPL has been approved by Regent of Kutai Barat through the Decree of No. 660.1/004/AMDAL/BLH-KBR/VII/2012 dated on July 4, 2012. The assessment was held by PT. Integral Multi Talenta, an EIA Consultant registered by Ministry of Environmental Republic of Indonesia.

As required by RSPO New Planting Procedure PT. MKB also prepared a Social and Environmental Impact Assessment (SEIA), an assessment which integrated social and environmental impact. As in AMDAL, the SEIA identified all positive and negative impacts of activities and how to manage and monitor them appropriately. In addition to the environmental, PT. MKB has prepared an High Conservation Value (HCV) assessment and identified several criteria of HCV. Both of these SEIA and HCV assessment was conducted by Faculty of Forestry - Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) assessors, which has been registered under RSPO qualification.

There was positive and negative impact both on environment and social caused by PT. Maha Karya Bersama plan. The positive impacts associated with the better road accessibility, open the opportunity to work and doing business, increasing income for community. Another social benefit related to company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Community Development program to improve social welfare, health, and education quality level.

The SEIA assessment also identified the negative impacts. Negative impacts which potentially happened include the increasingly of consumerist behavior society, land conflicts due to the increasing and value, and social disparities between indigenous communities and the migrants.

SUMMARY OF HCV ASSESSMENT

HCV assessment was done by RSPO approved HCV assessors from Faculty of Forestry - Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) in May 2012, to conduct and prepare the necessary assessments and documents to comply with RSPO new planting documents to carry out the New Planting Procedure announcement.

HCV assessment identified that there was no primary forest, no peat area, all local people's land has been identified and the land acquisition resolution with free prior and informed consent. Refer to HCV assessment there were four types of HCVs identified within the plantation permitted area of PT MKB, with the total HCV area is 844.88 ha consist of 437.53 ha are HCV 1, 836.86 ha are HCV 4, 110.24 ha are HCV 5 and 8.04 ha are HCV 6. However, some of HCV area are overlapping with other HCV area.

HCV report shows that PT. MKB was situated in land system of BKN (Bakunan), BTK (Barong Tongkak), MDW (Mendawai), LHI (Lohai), LWW (Lawanguang), MPT (Maput), TWB (Tewai Baru) and TWH (Teweh). Soil types in these area was dominated by Tropaquepts- Fluvaquents-Tropofluvents, Tropohemist-Tropofibrists, Tropohemist-Troposaprist, Tropaquepts, Tropudults, Tropudults- Dystropepts and Tropudults-Tropaquepts.

The local people's land has been identified and classified as customary, inheritance, and managed land. PT. MKB aware about the free prior informed consent (FPIC). There was transparency in relation to dealings with all local landowners and has incorporated this in its procedures.

The assessment covers the plantation permitted area which was included the company's project area, and possible expanded area surrounding proposed plantation area. The field survey was conducted in May 2012. The surveyed area covers representative observation spots of the process. Each observation team was accompanied by the field staff from the company and local representatives who were familiar with the site.

Besides field survey, the team also collected information from the local community through interviews of selected individual, Focus Group Discussion (FGD), as well as public consultations. The assessment included satellite imagery analysis, extensive field surveys, and public consultations with the communities living in the project area. The HCV assessment report included recommendation for the management and improvement of the HCV found within the project area.

SUMMARY OF PLAN

The findings and recommendations of the SEIA and HCV assessments have been integrated in the management plan. The management plan is consistent with the current RSPO P & C for New Plantings.

VERIFICATION STATEMENT

The AMDAL (EIA), HCV and SEIA assessment report, as well as management plan of PT. Maha Karya Bersama has been checked and verified by TUV NORD assessor through desk audit and verification of all related documents. TUV NORD assessor confirmed that the assessment and plan are comprehensive, professional and compliant with the RSPO principles, criteria and indicators.

Signed for, on behalf of TUV NORD Indonesia