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 PORT TECH TOWER, LEVEL 17,
 Unit No : 1-7, Jalan Tiara 3,
 KU/1, Bandar Baru Klang,
 41150 Klang, Selangor

Subject | **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECERTIFICATION AUDIT FOR AGROACEITE, S.A.**
 Date | **20/02/2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROUNDTABLE SUSTAINABILITY PALM OIL (RSPO) RECERTIFICATION FOR AGROACEITE, S.A.

Agroaceite,S.A., a plantation company in Guatemala, which has applied to Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd to carry out recertification audit activities in accordance with the National Interpretation for Guatemala of the RSPO 2018 Principles and Criteria (P&C) Standard for Sustainable Palm Oil Production.

The **Recertification Audit** is planned to commence on **01-04-2024** and will be completed on **05-04-2024**.

Applicant	Agroaceite, S.A.
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RSPO membership number	1-0374-22-000-00
RSPO PalmTrace ID	RSPO_PO1000006137
Supply Chain Model	IP
Any NPP Submission?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Are there any RaCP?	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
RaCP Status	RSPO approved

Brief information about Applicant	Agroaceite S.A. was incorporated in 2007, starting its first plantations in 2008. It currently has 6,889.72 hectares. The crop is distributed in three departments of the southern coast of Guatemala, as well as a processing plant with a capacity of 40 tons/hour. It has been a member of RSPO. since 2008 and is currently certified with RSPO P&C IP and SCC since 2019.
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Palm Oil Mill (POM) for this Assessment (Delete if not applicable)						
Name of Palm Oil Mill	Mill Capacity	Location	GPS reference		Forecasted Annual output (MT)	
(POM)	MT/Hr	Address	Longitude	Latitude	CPO	Palm Kernel
Agroaceite, S.A.	40	Finca Pensilvania, Aldea Los Encuentros, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-92.0060	14.555220	41,626	3,793

ASSOCIATED SUPPLY BASE OF FFB TO THE ABOVE POM TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS ASSESSMENT (Delete if not applicable)						
Name of estate / association	Location	GPS reference		Area Summary (Ha)		Annual Estimation FFB (MT)
	Address	Longitude	Latitude	Total	Mature	
La Unión	Código Postal 12022, Pajapita, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.08503611	14.69093611	264.26	248.70	8,000
La Virgen	Código Postal 12017, Ayutla, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.10125	14.71395	598.62	541.96	17,338
Monte Adentro	Código postal 12016, Catarina, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.07869167	14.82443889	90.36	89.16	2,868
Palmira	Código Postal 12022, Pajapita, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.04605278	14.71766111	208.95	155.23	3,642
Santa Lucrecia	Código Postal 12022, Pajapita, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.07218611	14.7671	170.41	159.47	5,109
Campo Verde	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala	-92.02339444	14.58491389	178.01	159.66	5,985
Corinto	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala	-91.97699444	14.556025	266.09	214.02	7,775
Costa Brava	Código postal 11010, Caballo Blanco, Retalhuleu, Guatemala.	-92.03453889	14.51829444	329.17	301.94	11,310
Costa del Sol	Código postal 11010, Caballo Blanco, Retalhuleu, Guatemala.	-92.03403056	14.55617222	41.72	38.54	1,479
La Dicha	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-91.99245278	14.58876944	97.85	89.06	3,274
La Esperanza	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-92.03650833	14.58467222	90.04	72.34	2,081

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Name of estate / association	Location	GPS reference		Area Summary (Ha)		Annual Estimation FFB (MT)
	Address	Longitude	Latitude	Total	Mature	
Las Ventanas	Código postal 12039, La Blanca, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.04053333	14.55828056	17.71	13.11	503
Las Yargas	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-91.99262778	14.54534722	13.68	10.31	359
Maravillas	Código postal 12039, La Blanca, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.08458056	14.53028056	416.14	303.22	11,635
Monte Maria	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-92.00738333	14.59198889	130.17	100.51	3,787
Morenas	Código postal 12039, La Blanca, San Marcos, Guatemala.	-92.101375	14.52320556	32.97	28.10	1,071
Pensilvania	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-92.003525	14.55284444	79.03	64.24	2,465
Santiago	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-91.98768056	14.57315278	79.91	61.08	2,128
Palma Maya	Código postal 09021, Génova, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-91.85900278	14.57569722	1,194.56	962.35	29,548
San Fernando	Código postal 11009, El Asintal, Retalhuleu, Guatemala.	-91.75321111	14.53639167	603.34	516.13	20,617
Santa Isabel	Código postal 11001, Retalhuleu, Retalhuleu, Guatemala.	-91.67159722	14.50460278	285.44	217.86	6,353
San Jose	Código postal 09020, Coatepeque, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala.	-92.02046944	14.64100556	682.68	592.08	17,110
Santa Sofia	Código postal 11010, Caballo Blanco, Retalhuleu, Guatemala.	-92.01163333	14.44983333	1,018.61	771.28	22,007
Total				6,889.72	5,710.35	186,444

Refer Annex 1 for Location of the Management Unit

DETAILS OF THE AUDIT TEAM		
AUDIT ROLES	NAME	BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATION
LEAD AUDITOR	Fabio Medina	Zootechnician with specialization in industrial quality in food from the National University of San Martín, Argentina. Certified Lead Auditor in RSPO P&C, SA800, HSEQ Systems, ISO 9001:2015, FSSC 22000, ASC Tilapia, MSC CoC, HACCP and GMP. With more than 8 years of experience in the food and production industry agricultural.
ENVIRONMENT AUDITOR/LEGAL AND HS	Edwin Moreno	RSPO-endorsed P&C Lead Auditor online course held 5-7 July 2023. By David Ogg and checkmark Training Ltd. ISO 9001:2015 IRCA Lead Auditor course intensity 40 hours 14-19 August 2023. Business Administrator and Master in Industrial Engineering from the National University of Colombia. More than 10 years of professional experience in the Colombian agribusiness in charge of project coordination, implementation and improvement of management systems under standards such as ISO 9001:2015, 14001:2015 and 45001:2018, as well as the implementation of principles and criteria based on sustainability such as RSPO (Round Table on Sustainable Palm Oil), ISCC (International Sustainability Carbon Certification), CER Carbon Credits, ICA Export Farm Certification and Gopal GAP.
SHADOW AUDITOR	Jose Coronado	Agricultural Engineer since 1997. Science specialist environmental 2007, banana production analyst 2013, consultancies in the development of management plans environmental for RSPO certification in plantation African palm, certification in global gap 2011, RSPO 2018 certification.
AUDITOR/AMBIENTAL	Boris Villareal	Colombian Biologist. Environmental Specialist. Course for leading auditor supported by RSPO in P&C (2017). Working with the palm industry since 2012 as working as consultant in aspects related to good environmental practices and social aspects. Environmental expert in wildlife conservation. With extended research, in tropical rare and endangered species as birds, reptiles, apes as well as tropical flora. He is trained in integrated quality management systems evaluations such as ISO 14000 among others.

Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd is a member of the Control Union - 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:

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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,



Name: Muhammad Hariz
Position: Deputy Operation Manager
Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd

ANNEX 1

