

From | Control Union (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.
 PORT TECH TOWER, LEVEL 17,
 Unit No : 1-7, Jalan Tiara 3,
 KU/1, Bandar Baru Klang,
 41150 Klang, Selangor.

Subject | **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF RSPO RECERTIFICATION AUDIT FOR PALMERAS LA CAROLINA S.A.S.**

Date | **25/04/2024**

Dear Sir/Madam,

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF ROUNDTABLE SUSTAINABILITY PALM OIL (RSPO) RECERTIFICATION FOR PALMERAS LA CAROLINA S.A.S.

Palmeras la Carolina S.A.S., Colombia plantation company, has applied to Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd to carryout re-certification activities in accordance with the National Interpretation for Colombia, as endorsed by RSPO Board of Governors November 2020, of its palm oil production.

The **Recertification Audit** is planned to commence on **24-06-2024** and will be completed on **28-06-2024**.

Applicant	Palmeras la Carolina S.A.S.
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RSPO membership number	1-0262-18-000-00
RSPO PalmTrace ID	RSPO_PO1000008791
Supply Chain Model	IP
Any NPP Submission?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Are there any RaCP?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Brief information about Applicant	<p>Palmeras La Carolina S.A.S. is a company founded in 1995 in the eastern plains of Colombia, dedicated to the production and marketing of agricultural products. Colombia, dedicated to the production and commercialization of agricultural products. Our commitment to sustainability encompasses the three axes: economic, environmental and social, reflected in our business and operational practices. We are a company committed to social and environmental responsibility, prioritizing the well-being of all our stakeholders, from our employees to the local communities and the natural environment. Our operation generates more than 200 direct and indirect jobs, contributing to the socioeconomic development of the region. In our constant search for excellence, we work hard to obtain and maintain internationally recognized certifications, including ISO 9001, RSPO:2018 and Fedepalma's NE001 Business Standard. These certifications are testimony to our commitment to the highest standards of quality, sustainability and business ethics.</p>
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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	
El Cairo	Casa Blanca Castilla La Nueva	-73.388625	3.7736111	400	290.50	5,792
Bonanza	Vereda Casa Blanca San Carlos De Guaroa	-73.370719	3.7550833	415	284.15	5,807
Castilla	Vereda Barro Blanco Castilla La Nueva	-73.388166	3.8345	425	351.07	3,892
San Carlos	Vereda Giramena San Carlos De Guaroa	-73.359169	3.793	485	393.30	6,286
San Martin	Vereda Aribas San Martin de los Llanos	-73.570833	3.6933333	546	233.15	3,285
Puerto Lopez	Vereda Yacuana De Puerto Lopez	-73.163397	3.96545	471	90.64	1,204
La Diana	Vereda Bocas Del Guayuriba	-73.130278	3.9880556	348	275.59	4,463
Total				3,090	1,918.4	30,729

Refer Annex 1 for Location of the Management Unit

DETAILS OF THE AUDIT TEAM		
AUDIT ROLES	NAME	BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATION
LEAD AUDITOR/ BPA, AND SOCIAL	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.
ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITOR AND SUPPLY CHAIN	JOSE EDWIN MORENO	RSPO endorsed P&C Lead Auditor online course held July 5-7, 2023. By David Ogg and checkmark Training Ltd. ISO 9001:2015 Lead Auditor Course IRCA intensity 40 hours from August 14 to 19, 2023. Business Administrator and Master in Industrial Engineering from Universidad Nacional de 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 (Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil), ISCC (International Sustainability Carbon Certification), CER Carbon Credits, ICA Exporting Farms Certification and Gobar GAP.
STATUTORY AUDITOR, HEALTH AND SAFETY	JOSE ORLANDO PRADA	Lawyer from the University of Santander. Specialist in Quality Management Systems, Occupational Risks, Safety and Health at Work. Auditor and Consultant in the palm sector, Lead Auditor in RSPO P&C as a social expert and connoisseur of the Colombian standard and Lead Auditor in RSPO Chain and Custody

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:

Control Union Malaysia Office
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Control Union Colombian Office
Ignacio Falcone Certifications Manager, Calle 82 # 12-88 Torre Andina Piso 3 Oficina 306 Bogotá Colombia
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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,



Muhammad Hariz
Deputy Operation Manager
Control Union Malaysia Sdn Bhd

ANNEX 1

