

Public Notification of RSPO Initial Certification Audit of Independent Smallholders

Assin Oil Palm Farmers Association LBG, GHANA RSPO Membership: 1-0475-24-000-00

Dear Stakeholders:

Assin Oil Palm Farmers Association LBG has commissioned SCS Global Services to conduct RSPO Initial Assessment of its ISH Group located at Assin Braku, Assin North District, Central Region Ghana.

SCS Global Services plans to conduct the Initial assessment of the ISH Group from **14th to 16th October 2024**. 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	ASSIN OIL MILLS COMPANY LIMITED
PalmTrace	RSPO_PO1000017520
Group Manager Address	ASSIN NDUASO, KUMASI-YAMORANSA ROAD. P.O BOX FO 113, Assin Fosu, Central Region. Ghana
ISH Group Location	Assin Breku, Assin North District, Central Region
GPS Reference (in degree, minute & second)	5.846993, -1.329307

List of Group Members

Name of Farmer	Location	GPS Coordinates		Area Summary		Forecasted Annual FFB Production (MT)	Any Liabilities?
		Latitude	Longitude	Total Certified Area (ha)	Planted Area (ha)		
Abena Manfowaa	Assin North	5.84833	-1.33440234	0.6347	0.6347	8.8858	Yes
Abraham Barns	Assin North	5.89198	-1.39728136	0.8529	0.8529	11.9406	Yes
Adam Mahmud	Assin North	5.84947	-1.33162072	1.8836	1.8836	7.5344	Yes
Agnes Gyebi	Assin North	5.93236	-1.36154956	1.4086	1.4086	19.7204	Yes
Akwesi Boh	Assin North	5.84898	-1.35430307	0.3724	0.3724	5.2136	Yes
Albert Faustina	Assin North	5.82181	-1.32203794	0.5332	0.5332	7.4648	Yes
Alhassan Asamoah	Assin North	5.84847	-1.33174804	1.0136	1.0136	14.1904	Yes
Anim Danso	Assin North	5.91	-1.37601555	5.546	5.546	77.644	Yes
Anim D Kassim	Assin North	5.9121	-1.36312804	3.9787	3.9787	55.7018	Yes

Anna Osei Nyarko	Atwima Nwabiagya North	6.80303	-1.72607752	19.6196	19.6196	274.6744	Yes
Anobi Issah	Assin North	5.84893	-1.33532007	2.1603	2.1603	30.2442	Yes
Appiah Kubi	Assin North	5.84051	-1.37552479	1.8512	1.8512	25.9168	Yes
Arthur Broni	Assin North	5.9117	-1.3223645	0.7511	0.7511	6.0088	Yes
Augustina Agyare	Assin North	5.88291	-1.35257816	1.9129	1.9129	26.7806	Yes
Beatrice Ali	Assin North	5.84431	-1.3360317	0.393	0.393	5.502	Yes
Benjamin Acheampong	Juaso-Assin	5.73795	-1.27557403	1.5476	1.5476	9.2856	Yes
Bismark Bimpong	Assin North	5.84297	-1.36370933	1.2401	1.2401	7.4406	Yes
Daniel Arthur	Assin North	5.80149	-1.34731508	0.6409	0.6409	8.9726	Yes
David Amoamah Williams	Assin North	5.86412	-1.33071145	2.6713	2.6713	21.3704	Yes
David Dogah	Assin North	5.8657	-1.21678471	1.3709	1.3709	19.1926	Yes
Ebenezer Twum	South-Assin	5.56499	-1.21284454	1.5945	1.5945	22.323	Yes
Edward Kwasi Amenya	Adansi Central	5.93359	-1.24681019	2.4641	2.4641	34.4974	Yes
Elijah Oduro	Central-Assin	5.69527	-1.22049781	0.8147	0.8147	11.4058	Yes
Emmanuel K Acheampong	Assin North	5.8693	-1.32218119	5.4955	5.4955	76.937	Yes
Emmanuel Obeng	Assin North	5.89865	-1.38629755	2.2224	2.2224	31.1136	Yes
Emmanuel Poku Alex	Assin North	5.87547	-1.32547033	5.7774	5.7774	46.2192	Yes
Emmanuel Twum Amoah	South-Assin	5.56775	-1.21395623	1.0543	1.0543	14.7602	Yes
Faustina Agyabeng	Assin North	5.86166	-1.33314765	0.9265	0.9265	12.971	Yes
Godfred Afful	Assin North	5.84169	-1.336098	1.1541	1.1541	16.1574	Yes
Hannah Amoamah	Assin North	5.8759	-1.3372925	0.5822	0.5822	8.1508	Yes
Isaac Kwame Eduku	Assin North	5.81776	-1.2952705	1.9006	1.9006	26.6084	Yes
Isaac Kwame Agyemang	Praso-Adansi	5.94141	-1.3692465	4.24	4.24	59.36	Yes
Isaac Owu	Assin North	5.91229	-1.40376083	2.4627	2.4627	12.3135	Yes
Isaac Amoah	Assin North	5.88078	-1.34048936	10.0725	10.0725	60.435	Yes
Isaac Boafo	South-Assin	5.56485	-1.20399954	7.8035	7.8035	70.2315	Yes
Jacob Acheampong	Ataasi Nkwanta	5.95454	-1.36308923	3.3596	3.3596	47.0344	Yes
James Opoku	Adiembra-Assin	5.63022	-1.38879159	6.7169	6.7169	94.0366	Yes
James G Quayson	South-Assin	5.68055	-1.21088544	5.3522	5.3522	74.9308	Yes
Jemima Offei Danso	Assin North	5.9104	-1.37881511	1.4869	1.4869	20.8166	Yes
Joseph Ankomah	Assin North	5.8502	-1.33283987	2.1968	2.1968	30.7552	Yes
Kate Asare	Assin North	5.90379	-1.35247573	0.2329	0.2329	3.2606	Yes
Kofi Wahab	Assin North	5.8435	-1.33520474	0.8602	0.8602	12.0428	Yes
Kwabena Agyabeng	Assin North	5.86051	-1.32782372	2.156	2.156	30.184	Yes
Kwabena Ohemang	Apagya-Adansi	6.00225	-1.36893444	1.4906	1.4906	20.8684	Yes
Kwabena Oppong	Assin North	5.86202	-1.33719712	1.8935	1.8935	26.509	Yes
Kwabena A Sencherey	Gomoa Gyaman	5.499	-0.77290116	38.8929	38.8929	544.5006	Yes
Kwaku Wadee	Assin North	5.84069	-1.32384474	0.6959	0.6959	9.7426	Yes

Kwame Antwi	Assin North	5.86043	-1.31673748	2.8672	2.8672	40.1408	Yes
Kwame Otoo	Central-Assin	5.70389	-1.21678781	1.9469	1.9469	15.5752	Yes
Mahadi Antwi	Assin North	5.8439	-1.31867504	1.8146	1.8146	25.4044	Yes
Mahmud K Oppong	Assin North	5.86417	-1.37193114	3.3591	3.3591	47.0274	Yes
Malp Assin Nyankomasi	Central-Assin	5.77941	-1.28898156	3.9355	3.9355	55.097	Yes
Matthew Opoku	Assin North	5.86575	-1.31860119	2.5369	2.5369	35.5166	Yes
Matthew Kingsley Owusu	Kwaata-Assin	5.63847	-1.24510414	7.956	7.956	79.56	Yes
Nahim Hage	Akenkansu	5.77422	-1.19216898	37.6032	37.6032	526.4448	Yes
Nana Kwaku Attakorah	Ahafo Ano South	6.89249	-1.91913824	38.9637	38.9637	545.4918	Yes
Nana Kwame Agyemang	Praso-Adansi	5.93477	-1.37119671	1.7909	1.7909	25.0726	Yes
Naomi Arthur	Assin North	5.90968	-1.35663793	0.5075	0.5075	7.105	Yes
Nelson Wayne Tenkorang	South-Assin	5.7928	-1.28360214	2.6575	2.6575	37.205	Yes
Nicholas Okyere	Praso-Adansi	5.95106	-1.36497659	3.0078	3.0078	33.0858	Yes
Nicholas Anderson	Assin North	5.85349	-1.3478501	2.3425	2.3425	32.795	Yes
Oliver Ampomah	Assin North	5.81412	-1.28938649	3.2992	3.2992	36.2912	Yes
Opanin Anokye	Nyankomase-Assin	5.74945	-1.31204948	4.2569	4.2569	17.0276	Yes
Rev Bethsheba Quayson	South-Assin	5.68356	-1.21041873	8.1766	8.1766	81.766	Yes
Richard Donkor	Adansi South	5.94133	-1.36313525	1.7273	1.7273	24.1822	Yes
Richard O Frimpong	Adansi South	5.99159	-1.35754444	6.9151	6.9151	96.8114	Yes
Rita Ennin	Assin North	5.86138	-1.3165721	1.3576	1.3576	19.0064	Yes
Robert Aidoo	Adansi South	5.9699	-1.39253478	2.1007	2.1007	29.4098	Yes
Rockson T Boateng	Kisi-KEEA	5.10789	-1.50419111	10.0735	10.0735	141.029	Yes
Samuel Ahianyo	Assin North	5.86063	-1.22397361	0.3563	0.3563	4.9882	Yes
Samuel Gadasu	South-Assin	5.93153	-1.25276822	0.9443	0.9443	11.3316	Yes
Stephen Acheampong	Assin North	5.7771	-1.2303333	1.0467	1.0467	9.4203	Yes
Togbe K Kakrada	Assin North	5.86312	-1.24886049	4.6475	4.6475	37.18	Yes
Veronica Ampong	Assin North	5.91428	-1.32468805	2.8991	2.8991	28.991	Yes
Wahab Ankomah	Assin North	5.85049	-1.33324362	0.63	0.63	8.82	Yes
William Damoah	Sunyani West	7.416	-2.29990899	36.821	36.821	515.494	Yes
Yaw Adu-gyamfi	Assin North	5.86231	-1.31809979	1.8306	1.8306	25.6284	Yes
Yokobell Appiagyei	Assin North	5.86599	-1.32937638	2.7918	2.7918	39.0852	Yes
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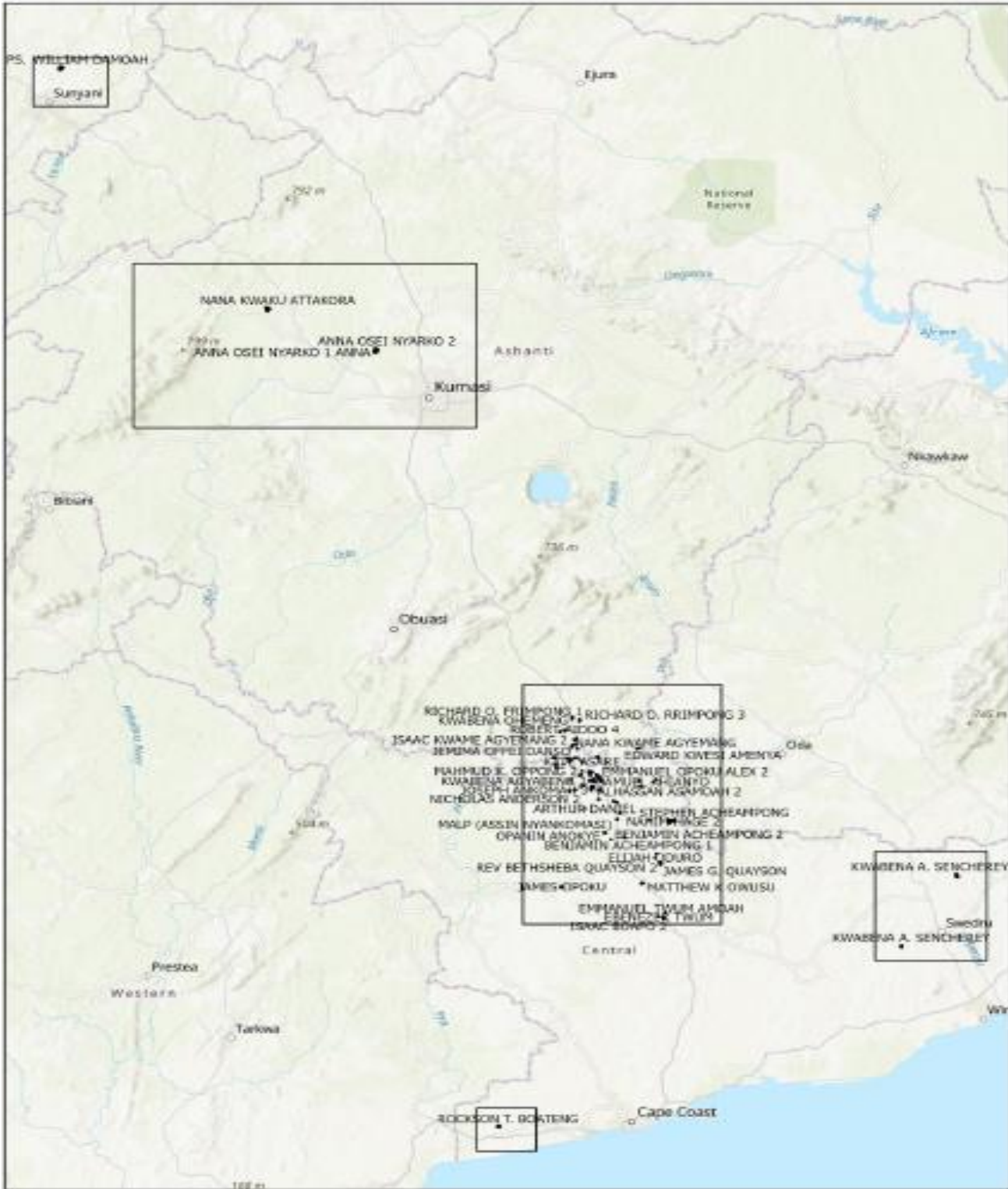


Figure 1. The location map of the smallholder areas. There are 78 smallholders, of which 77 have self-declared non compliant land clearing.

Source: Assin Oil Palm Farmers Association LBG LUCA report_04.12.23_V1

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Name	Role	Audit Aspects
Joseph W. Osei	Lead Auditor	Social Expert, ICS, Group Manager, Claims
Samuel Lamptey	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

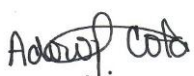
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Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
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Thank you for your comments and feedback.



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