

Notification of RSPO Re-Certification Assessment of SANTA ROSA S.A, Guatemala
RSPO Membership: 1-0296-20-000-00

To Whom It May Concern:

SANTA ROSA S.A of Guatemala has commissioned SCS Global Services to conduct an RSPO Re-Certification Assessment of its palm oil mill and supply base located near Kilometro 156 Carretera al Semillero, Tiquisate, Escuintla, 5006, Guatemala. The assessment will be conducted of 1 Palm Oil Mill and 1 Oil Palm Plantations, 2 Outgrowers, 0 Scheme Smallholders.

SCS Global Services plans to conduct the Re-Certification assessment of the SANTA ROSA S.A mill from **August 5 – 9, 2024**. The assessment will be conducted against the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil requirements, including the Principles & Criteria (RSPO P&C 2018 including Supply Chain requirement for mills), using as reference the National Interpretation of the P&Cs for the **Guatemala/2021**).

The assessment will cover legal, environment, economical, workers' health and safety, and social aspects as required by the RSPO Principles & Criteria. Below is general information related to the certification unit.

SANTA ROSA S.A.	
Description	Mill and supply base
Mill Name	Santa Rosa S.A.
PalmTrace ID	RSPO_PO1000006138
Mill Capacity (tonnage/hour)	70 mt/hr
Supply Chain Model	IP
Address	Kilometro 156 Carretera al Semillero, Tiquisate, Escuintla, 5006, Guatemala
GPS Reference (Palm Oil Mill)	Lat: 14.218639 Long: -91.398472
CPO Tonnage (Projection 2024-2025)	69,030.11
PK Tonnage (Projection 2024-2025)	19,975.85
FFB Tonnages (Projection 2024-2025)	337,081.57

Farms / Estate / Association	Location	GPS Coordinates	Planted Area		Certified Area (ha)	Annual FFB Projection (MT)
			Mature Palm (ha)	Immature Palm (ha)		
Santa Rosa S.A.	Municipio de Tiquisate, Escuintla	14.21732, -91.342458	7,627.83	0	7,949.218	267,056.25
Inversiones Tropicales de Guatemala S.A. - Las Pilas	Municipio de Santo Domingo Suchitepequez,	14.37942, -91.4289	642.43	0	705.53	20,902.1
Rio Blanco del Sur S.A.	Municipio de Santo Domingo Suchitepequez	14.10929, -91.525096	1,203.69	0	1,251.57	49,123.217
TOTAL			9,473.95	0	9,1906.32	337,081.57

New Planting Procedure		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Check if N/A)
NPP Reference Number		
Country of the NPP submission		
Name of Management Unit:		
Name(s) of Estate(s) covered under this management plan		
Location of NPP area		
Address of NPP area		
GPS Reference		
Total area as per permit		
Area for new planting		
Date of Completion		

RACP Procedure			<input type="checkbox"/> (Check if N/A)
Liability disclosure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	Santa Rosa S.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Annex 2 disclosure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	Santa Rosa S.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> No

SCS serves the food industry and agribusiness with a large variety of programs throughout the entire value chain. We have more than 25 years of experience in the development of standards, third-party verification and rigorous scientific analysis to clients around the world, helping them to manage risk and increase their market share, and positioning them as leaders. Among our innovations is the development of the first "Pesticide Free" certification in the 1980s. We were pioneers with the Veriflora Sustainably Grown standard for flowers and foliage, the Fair Trade standard for social compliance and the development of Starbucks C.A.F.E. Standard Practices to evaluate the responsible purchase of coffee. SCS currently manages this program for Starbucks and accredits certification bodies in Latin America, Africa and Asia. Our agricultural certification programs include, among others, ISCC, RSB, Bonsucro, SQF, GLOBALG.A.P., Tesco, and BRCGS.

SCS Global Services has appointed the following team for the assessment of Santa Rosa S.A.:

Name	Role	Qualification and Experience
Dina Maria Medem	Lead Auditor	<p>Education: Food Engineer, Master in Food Science and Technology (Focus area: Fruit Processing) and Ph.D. in Food Science and Technology (Focus area: Organic Agroindustry and New Product Development).</p> <p>Trainings attended: SA8000 Basic Training 2022, SMETA Modules (SEDEX e-learning/Auditor Academy) 2022, Social and environmental issues (Proforest Academy Courses) 2022, Lead Auditor RSPO SCC Updating in 2022, Lead Auditor RSPO P&C - Updating in 2021, Lead Auditor ISCC EU and PLUS – 2019, Lead Auditor ISO 9001/2015 (IRCA) 2017 and Organic Certification Auditor (EU, USDA/COR CAN).</p> <p>Working experience: More than 15 years of experience in the food industry as Senior Engineer and Technical Manager in the area of new product research and development (Colombia and Brazil). More than 8 years auditing social and environmental compliance (RSPO P&C and SCC lead auditor, ISCC EU and Plus and organic certification) in agribusiness, industry and agriculture in the dairy, fruit, palm, sugarcane and coffee sectors. Peer reviewer accredited by ASI. Fluent</p>

		in Portuguese and intermediate to advanced level in written and conversational English.
Weesmerly Navarro	Team Auditor	<p>Education: Environmental and sanitary engineer, specialist in quality management.</p> <p>Trainings attended: RSPO P&C v2018 Lead Auditor Course, RSPO SCCS v2020 Lead Auditor Course, HSEQ Auditor updated version 2015, RSPO SCC Oleochemical Course, ISH RSPO Standard Auditor, Diploma in the promotion of formalization of employment, safety and health at work in the palm sector (ILO).</p> <p>Working experience: 13 years of work experience, of which 9 years have been in the oil palm agribusiness. During this time, she has worked as responsible for environmental processes in oil mill plants and has collaborated in the adoption of sustainable technologies with small, medium and large producers. She has also worked as an auditor in national ISO and OSHAS certification standards, and as an implementer of international certification standards such as RSPO and ISCC. Fluent in English and Spanish.</p>
Josue Teo Molina	Team Auditor	<p>Education: Agricultural Engineer, specialization in Agricultural Production Systems</p> <p>Trainings attended: ISO 9001 (2021). ISO 14001 (2021). ISO 45001 (2021). RSPO Principles and Criteria Lead Auditor (2023). Specialization in Environmental Management and Environmental Impact Instruments (2019). USDA Grower Training on the FSMA Produce Safety Rule, United States Department of Agriculture. (2018). HACCP / NSF International (2014). "HACCP and GFSI approved schemes" / Agexport Guatemalan Exporters Association (2014). Registered Trainer and Auditor GlobalG.A.P. (2014).</p> <p>Working experience: 13 years of experience in agricultural production, management support, monitoring, planning and implementation of projects, improvement of agricultural production systems and monitoring of agreements, 4 years of experience in Environmental Instruments, 7 years of experience in the Palm Oil Industry, 4 years of experience as internal auditor and consultant RSPO P&C V. 2018 Fluent in English and Spanish.</p>
Joel Argueta	Team Auditor	<p>Education: Agronomy Engineering, Master- Social Management.</p> <p>Trainings attended: RSPO Lead Auditor Update P&C v.2018, RSPO V2020 Lead Auditor in Supply Chain, ISCC EU and PLUS Basic training, ISO 9001: 2008 Auditor/ Lead Auditor, QMS LEAD AUDITOR ISO 9001:2015 TRAINING COURSE, Internal auditing in a quality management system ISO 19011, Rainfores Alliance auditor, Utz Certified Auditor, RSPO ISH Standards Training, Fundamentals of Occupational Safety and Health in Agroindustry. Bonsucro Production Standard v5.1 Technical Training. SA8000 Basic Auditor course.</p> <p>Working experience: Rainforest Alliance audits to groups and farms, Rainforest Alliance chain of custody audits, RSPO P&C audits, verification of implementation of sustainability policies of palm oil purchasing companies. Bonsucro audits. 12 years' experience in Palm Oil Industry. Fluent in English and Spanish.</p>



SCS Global Services invites stakeholders to provide written comments on any of the following issues related to the operations of Santa Rosa S.A, 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

Comments received within 30 days from the date of this notification will be considered during the certification assessment.

Please include the following details in case we need to contact you for additional information or clarification on any issued raised:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone number: _____

If you wish your comments to be treated confidentiality or remain anonymous, please indicate 'CONFIDENTIAL' in your correspondence to us. Please send comments to:

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Thank you for your comments and feedback.

Sincerely,

Adriana Cala
 RSPO P&C Technical Manager