

2 November 2017

Dear Stakeholders,

**Invitation to comment on MSPO Initial Assessment of Sime Darby Plantation Berhad – Sandakan Bay Palm Oil Mill and supply base Sandakan, Sabah, Malaysia**

Sime Darby Plantation Berhad has appointed BSI to conduct MSPO Initial Assessment of its Sandakan Bay Palm Oil Mill and supply base. The assessment will be conducted at 1 Palm Oil Mill and 5 Oil Palm Plantations which are managed by the company. The certification unit is located at Sandakan, Sabah, Malaysia

BSI plans to conduct initial assessment of Sandakan Bay Palm Oil Mill from 4-7 December 2017. The assessment will be conducted based on the MSPO MS 2530-3:2013 – *General principles for oil palm plantations and organized smallholders* & MS 2530-4:2013 – *General principles for palm oil mills*. The assessment will cover legal, environment, economical, workers’ health and safety, and social aspects as required by MS 2530:2013 Malaysia Standard.

The following are the information on the certification unit:

Sandakan Bay Palm Oil Mill and Supply Base	
Mill Name	Strategic Operating Unit (SOU 26) – Sandakan Palm Oil Mill
Address	Suanlamba District 90009 Sandakan, Sabah, Malaysia
Estates	Segaliud, Sentosa, Tigowis, Tunku & Tun Tan Estate
Total area to be audited	16,786.96 ha
Standard(s) used	MS 2530-3:2013 & MS 2530-4:2013 can be purchased online ( <a href="http://www.msonline.gov.my/catalog.php">http://www.msonline.gov.my/catalog.php</a> )

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Thee BSI Audit Team assigned for the initial assessment of Sandakan Bay Palm Oil Mill and Supply Base is as follows:

**Mr. Valence Shem** as Lead Auditor (GHG, Environment, Good Agricultural Practices at estates, Legal and Social), and Internal and External Stakeholder Consultation) and **Mr. Daniel Francis** as Team Member (OHSAS, Legal, Biodiversity & Social)

In preparation for the assessment, related stakeholders are invited to provide written input to the assessment by commenting on related aspects in Sime Darby Plantation Berhad operation particularly on environment or social aspect.



Topics that you may wish to comment on are as follows:

- Management commitment & responsibility
- Transparency
- Compliance to legal requirements
- Social responsibility, occupational, safety & health and employment condition
- Environment, natural resources, biodiversity & ecosystem services
- Agricultural best practice
- Development of new planting

Comment received within 30 days from the date of this letter will be considered in the Assessment. Please include the following details in case we may need to contact you for clarification or follow-up on any issue raised by you.

Name: .....  
Address: .....  
Email: .....  
Phone Number: .....  
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If you wish your comments to be treated confidentially or to remain anonymous, please mark your reply "IN CONFIDENCE"

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Thank you very much for your input.

Your sincerely



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