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PUBLIC SUMMARY REPORT
MALYSIAN SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL (MSPO)

Type of certification : Stage 2 Initial Certification / Surveillance / Recertification
~~Individual certification~~ / Group Certification

Organization : Sime Darby Plantation (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd.

Address : Merotai Strategic Operating Unit 30
91207 Kunak, Sabah

Audit date : 2 – 3 November 2017

Standard : Malaysian Sustainable Palm Oil (MSPO)

MS 2530-2:2013 General principles for independent smallholders

/ MS 2530-3:2013 General principles for oil palm plantations and organized smallholders

MS 2530-4:2013 General principles for palm oil mills

Scope of certification : Production of Sustainable Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB)

Lead auditor : Mohd Zulfakar Kamaruzaman

Auditor : Ruzita binti Abd Gani
Rozaimie Ab Rahman

Report by lead auditor

Name : Mohd Zulfakar Kamaruzaman

Signature : 

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Description of the organization

The Merotai Management Unit (Merotai MU) is one of the Strategic Operating Unit (SOU) of Sime Darby Plantation Berhad. (SDPB), the MU is also known as SOU 30. SOU 30 consist of Merotai palm oil mill, Merotai estate, Tiger Estate, Table Estate and Imam Estate. Based on the MSPO scheme requirements, this report only described group certification consist of Merotai estate, Tiger Estate, Table Estate and Imam Estate compliance against MS2530-3: General principles for oil palm plantations and organised smallholders. All the said estate have supplied their fresh fruit bunches (FFB) to Merotai palm oil mill.

1.2 Location and hectarage statement

The GPS location of the estate administration office as follows:

Group members	Location		
	Latitude	Longitude	Address
Merotai Palm Oil Mill	4° 23'N	117° 83' E	91007, Tawau, Sabah
Merotai Estate	4° 23'N	117° 47' E	91007, Tawau, Sabah
Tiger Estate	4° 25'N	117° 50' E	91007, Tawau, Sabah
Table Estate	4° 22'N	117° 52' E	91007, Tawau, Sabah
Imam Estate	4° 20'N	117° 50' E	91007, Tawau, Sabah

Estate	Planted (ha)	Certified (ha)
Merotai	2,686.12	3,052.66
Tiger	2,292.66	2,444.96
Table	2,071.83	2,083.78
Imam	3,268.88	3,865.29
Total	10,319.49	11,446.69

1.3 Description of supply base (fruit sources)

All four estates i.e. Merotai, Tiger, Table and Imam estates have supplied their fresh fruit bunches (FFB) to Merotai Palm Oil Mill.

1.4 Other certification held (ISO or other sustainability scheme)

The Merotai CU was certified to the RSPO MYNI:2014 P&C by SIRIM QAS International Sdn Bhd on 13 July 2015.

1.5 Organizational information / contact person

The details of the contact person for Merotai MU is as shown below:

Name : Ali Anuar bin Hussin Saadi
 Position : Manager
 Address : PO Box 135, 91007 Tawau, Sabah
 Phone no. : +6089-902801
 Email : ldg.merotai@simedarby.com

2.0 Audit process

2.1 Audit methodology

The MSPO initial certification audit consist of stage 1 and stage 2 audit however for SOU 30 the stage 1 audit was waive due to they have obtain RSPO certification with SIRIM QAS International. The. Stage 2 audit of Merotai SOU 30 was conducted on 2 - 3 November 2017 where the audit focused mainly on the conformance of the group members against the requirements of certification standard i.e. MS 2530-3: 2013 General principles for oil palm plantations and organised smallholders.

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The audit was conducted based on sample as defined in the MSPO Certification Requirement for Group Certification. Under this requirement, the sample size was based on the formula $(0.8\sqrt{y}) \times (z)$; where y is total number of group members and z is the risk factor defined by the risk assessment. Based on the risk assessment, the risk factor was determined as low i.e. risk factor = 1.0 and Sungang Estate and Tingkayu Estate have been selected to be sampled during stage 2. During Stage 2 audit, the audit team had visited the field, linesite workshop, chemical store, waste collection areas and other surrounding facilities such as clinic, surau and canteen to verify the implementation of the MSPO MS2530-3:2013. Interviews with the team management, employees, contractors and surrounding estate, relevant government agency and other relevant stakeholders. Apart from the above, records as well as other related documentation were also evaluated. In addition, the audit team has verified the MPOB license and its validity.

It is important to note that the finding from this audit is based on samples taken from the organization activities, procedures, records and interview. Statistically, there is always a possibility that one or more issues/areas will remain unidentified during the course of this audit. The absence of non-compliance in any area or activity does not necessarily imply that no lapses or non-compliance exist.

2.2 Date of next surveillance visit

If the company is certified, the first surveillance audit will be conducted within 12 months from the decision date.

2.3 Qualification of audit team

Audit team members	Role/area of coverage	Qualification/education/working experience
Mohd Zulfakar Kamaruzaman	Audit team Leader Social issues, employment condition & Biodiversity	Holds a B.Sc. Forestry from University Putra Malaysia. He had more than 4 years of working experience in the oil palm operation. He has been qualified as a RSPO Lead Auditor for the past 2 years.
Ruzita Abd Gani	Audit team member Occupational health and Safety & environment	Holds a Bachelor in Chemical Engineering and 6 years of experience in the palm oil milling. She had been involved in auditing of EMS and OHSMS for the past 16 years at oil palm plantation and other industries. She is also a qualified RSPO lead auditor and a DOE registered Environmental Auditor.
Rozaimie Ab Rahman	Audit team member / Good agriculture practices, Safety & Health issues	Holds a B. Sc. in Agriculture from University Putra Malaysia. He had more than 5 years of working experience in the oil palm operation. He has been qualified as a RSPO Lead Auditor for this years.

2.4 Certification body

SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd. is the leading certification, inspection and testing body in Malaysia. SIRIM QAS International provides a comprehensive range of certification, inspection and testing services which are carried out in accordance with internationally and nationally recognised standards. Attestation of this fact is the accreditation of the various certification and testing services by leading national and international accreditation and recognition bodies such as the Department of Standards Malaysia (STANDARDS MALAYSIA), the United Kingdom Accreditation Services (UKAS), and the International Automotive Task Force (IATF). SIRIM QAS International is a partner of IQNet, a network currently comprising of leading certification bodies in Europe, North and South America, East Asia and Australia.

SIRIM QAS International has vast experience in conducting audits related to RSPO certification. It has certified more than a hundred palm oil mills and several estates to ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001. SIRIM QAS International has also conducted many audits for sustainable production of palm oil products against the requirements of the RSPO P&C. SIRIM QAS International has obtained accreditation from Standards Malaysia for its MSPO certification scheme on 25 July 2017.

2.5 Stakeholder Consultation

SIRIM QAS International had initiated the stakeholder consultation by announcing the invitation in the SIRIM QAS International's websites starting from 29 September 2017. Until the completion of on-site Stage 2 audit, there was no comment received for this group members.

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3.0 Summary of Audit Results

3.1 Non-conformity report (NCR) raised

Total no. of major NCR(s) : 0

Total no. of minor NCR(s) : 0

3.2 Audit conclusion

The audit team concludes that the organization has established and implemented the requirements of the MS 2530-3:2013 General principles for oil palm plantations and organized smallholders, based on the results of this audit, therefore, the audit team recommends

No NCR recorded. Recommended for certification.

Minor NCR(s) recorded. Corrective action plan has been accepted. Verification of the NCR(s) to be carried out in the next audit.

Major NCR(s) recorded. Evidence of implementation of the corrective actions have been provided and accepted by the audit team. The NCR(s) have been satisfactorily closed out.

Recommended for certification.

Recommended to continue certification.

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Location Map of Merotai Management Unit

