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**Notification of RSPO Annual Surveillance Assessment (ASA-2.1) of Gunung Aru POM PT Bersama Sejahtera Sakti subsidiary of Sime Darby Plantation Berhad (RSPO Membership 1-0008-04-000-00 – 06 September 2004)**

Dear Stakeholders,

PT Bersama Sejahtera Sakti has applied to Mutuagung Lestari and will conduct Annual Surveillance Assessment with scope Gunung Aru POM and its supply base, located in Betung Village, Pulau Laut Timur Sub District, Kotabaru District, Kalimantan Selatan Province, Indonesia against the requirement of Indonesia National Interpretation of the RSPO Principles and Criteria for the Production of Sustainable Palm Oil 2018 (INANI 2020).

PT Bersama Sejahtera Sakti is a member of RSPO and has been taking an active role in the RSPO surveillance processes and implementing programme to maintain RSPO Certified Sustainable Palm Oil. Mutuagung Lestari has arranged to conduct an assessment to Gunung Aru POM – PT Bersama Sejahtera Sakti which operating 1 (one) palm oil mill and 4 (four) estates on **30 January to 04 February 2023**.

PT Mutuagung Lestari, is also known Mutu Certification International (MUTU), and has started as inspection, laboratory, and Certification body since 1990. As a private national company and supported with highly committed professionals, MUTU has gained recognition nationally and internationally. Since June 2003, MUTU has received recognition from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishery of Japan (MAFF) as registered overseas certification body (ROCB). MUTU certify and mark products with Japan agriculture standard (JAS) covering Indonesia, Myanmar, Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam, Timor Leste, Philippines, Papua New Guinea and China. MUTU is the first ROCB in Asia. National Accreditation Committee has accredited MUTU as Quality Management System certification body (ISO 9001:2015) and Environmental Management System certification body (ISO 14001:2015). Indonesia Ecolabelling Institute (LEI) has also accredited MUTU as Sustainable Forest Management System certification body, Certification Body of Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil (ISPO). Since March 2014, MUTU has been accredited by ASI (Accreditation Services International) as a RSPO certification body.

The Auditor team for the certification assessment will be led of **Hasiholan Sihombing** and other team auditor from PT Mutuagung Lestari

PT. Mutuagung Lestari invites stakeholders to provide comments (if any) on any of the following matters related to the site for assessment;

- a. Environmental protection within the estate or mill including use of pesticide and effluent management.
- b. Biodiversity within the estate and mill
- c. Opportunities for employment
- d. Contribution for local development
- e. Provision of housing, sanitation, facility and education support
- f. Other issues related with the assessment

Comments accepted within 30 days from the date of this latter will be considered in the certification assessment. Please include the following details in case we may need to contact you for clarification on any issued raised by you.

Name	:	_____
Address	:	_____
Telephone	:	_____
Fax	:	_____

If you wish your comments to be treated confidentiality or remain anonymous, please mark your reply 'IN CONFIDENCE'.

Please send your comments to:

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours faithfully,

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