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Dear Stakeholders,

Invitation to comment on RSPO Certification Assessment of Oil Palm Plantation Estates under Mong Reththy Investment Corporation, Cambodia Oil Palm Co., Ltd, Plantation Certification Unit – MRICOP POM and Estates, Sihanouk Province, Kingdom of Cambodia

MONG RETHTHY INVESTMENT CAMBODIA OIL PALM CO. LTD (hereafter abbreviated as 'MRICOP') has applied to Moody International Certification (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd for RSPO certification assessment of a certification unit at Sihanoukville, Cambodia against the RSPO P&C for Small Producing Countries (SPC).

'MRICOP' is the first company in Cambodia to cultivate oil palm commercially with incentives granted by the Royal Government of Cambodia. MRICOP was granted a land area of about 11,000 hectares of economic concession land located in Prey Nop district, Preah, Sihanouk province, Cambodia for the said purpose. The project is located about 158 km south from the capital of Cambodia, Phnom Penh and 70 km north from Sihanoukville port city.

The crude palm oil mill (CPO) was commissioned in 2002. MRICOP currently manages one (1) palm oil mill and two (2) active Fresh Fruit Bunch (FFB) supplying estates i.e. Estate A and Estate B. MRICOP has part ownership of a 3rd estate, i.e. Estate C, which is a joint venture with a company named MTSI where new planting is in progress. MRICOP is thus made plans for the three (3) stated estates to be certified within the 3- year Time Bound Plan to be completed by 2015.

Moody International Certification has planned to conduct the proposed main certification assessment which is expected to commence on **24 April 2012 and to be completed by 28 April 2012.**

Details of the plantation oil mill and estates to be assessed are as per tables below:

Name	Address / Location	GPS Reference	
		Latitude	Longitude
MRICOP Palm Oil Mill (Capacity: 30 MT per hour)	<u>Head Quarters:</u> #52, St. 598 Sangkat Boeung Kak II , Khan Toul Kork, Phnom Penh, Kingdom of Cambodia. Website: www.mongreththy.com <u>Plantation Site & Office:</u> Mong Reththy Investment Cambodia Oil Palm Co. Ltd National Road 4, Monorum, Sangkat Cheungkor, Khan Prey Nop, Preah Sihanouk Province, Kingdom of Cambodia.	12.0550° N	37.2500° E
Estate A	Same as above	11.9800° N	36.7000° E
Estate B	Same as above	12.0200° N	37.5000° E
Estate C	Same as above	12.0400° N	37.6000° E

Estate	Area Summary (HA)	
	Total	Planted
Estate A	4,967	4,074
Estate B	3,088	2,991
*Estate C	6,642	4,642
Total	14,697	11,707

Age (Years)	Planted Area (HA)		
	Estate A (ha)	Estate B (ha)	*Estate C (ha)
0 – 3	81	642	4,642
4 – 15	3,993	2,349	0
Above 15	0	0	0
Total	4,074	2,991	4,642

Notes:

1. Estate A and Estate B had been planted since 1997 and are currently in the 1st cycle of planting while *Estate C has been planted recently since 2008.
2. *Estate C was a plantation cultivated with other agricultural crops since 1997 which has later converted into an oil palm plantation with a nursery in 2008. The palms in Estate C are at the immature stage.
3. MRICOP with its joint venture with MTSI plans to build another palm oil mill by 2013 to cater to the FFB supply from Estate C.

The total actual output over the last 12 months as declared by MRICOP (i.e. from March 2011 to February 2012) is shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Total FFB and Palm Product Production

Name of Estate	Location	Annual Volume (MT)			
		FFB supplied from PMU estates	FFB supplied by other suppliers (if any)	CPO output	PK Output
Estate A	As above	69,818.18	0.00	13,325.40	2,330.26
Estate B	As above	28,266.74	0.00	5,394.67	935.46
	Total	98,084.92	0.00	18,720.07 (OER: 19.08%)	3,265.72 (KER: 3.33%)

Note: Details as provided by MRICOP shall be subject to verification during the on-site field assessment.



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The Assessment team planned for the certification assessment comprises of Lead Assessor - Mr. Augustine Loh (Environment, Safety & Health, HCV and Legal), Assessors - Mr. Mohan Thavarajah (Mill Operations, Environmental, Safety & Health, HCV and Legal), Mdm. Ham Fin Lan (Social, Gender issues including Woman Welfare), Mr. Chen Fai Kok (Agriculture GAP, IPM & HCV) and Mr. Reaksa Rous (Local Expert - Local Law & Regulations)

With regards to the forthcoming certification assessment at the above-stated locations, Moody International Certification (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd welcomes stakeholders to provide comments (if any), on any of the following matters related to the site for assessment:

- Environmental protection
- Employment opportunities
- Other matters relevant to the assessment
- Biodiversity conservation
- Community development

Comments received within 30 days from the date of this letter will be considered in the certification assessment. Please direct your comments to:

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We thank you for your comments and feedback.

Yours faithfully,
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