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JPHTN/SFM 100-10/3(Klt.4)21

Ruj. Kami: (Our Ref.)

15th January 2016

Malaysian Timber Certification Council C-8-5, Block C, Megan Avenue, No.12 Jalan Yap Kwan Seng 50450 KUALA LUMPUR (Attn: Ms. Siti Syaliza Mustapha)

Dear Ms. Siti,

REVIEW OF THE MALAYSIAN CRITERIA AND INDICATORS FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION (NATURAL FOREST) REF: (57)MTCC 7/1/6/3 DATED 13.11.2015

Our letter of JPHTN/SFM 100-10/3(KLT.4)20 dated 06 January 2016 pertaining to the above-mentioned matter refers.

Attached herewith, the completed Appendix 1 of our comments on the MC&I.

Thank you.

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Director of Forestry

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APPENDIX I

First Public Comment (Please submit by 15 January 2016)

Feedback Form

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Dear Mr Cheah,

Review of the Malaysian Criteria and Indicators for Forest Management Certification (Natural Forest): (i) First Public Comment (16 November - 15 January 2016)

With reference to your letter dated 13 November 2015, I would like to provide the following comments on the MC&I(Natural Forest):

1) General Comments:

The MC&I(Natural Forest) is applicable and practical for the evaluation and assessment of natural forest management certification. However, in the case of Sabah, there are verifiers proposed to be deleted and added to some of the indicators as highlighted in (2) below.

2) Specific Comments:

Principle / Criterion / Indicator / Verifier	Proposal for amendment / deletion / addition	Reasons for proposed amendment / deletion / addition
Indicator 1.1.1 - Verifier for Sabah (State Laws)	Move bullet 4 (Forest Enactment 1968 & Forest Rules 1969) to 2 nd bullet (after Sabah State Constitution).	Rearrangement of the verifiers.
Indicator 1.5.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Move bullet 3 (Forest Enacment, 1968 – Part II (Sections 5-7,22) to 1st bullet.	Rearrangement of the verifiers.
Indicator 1.5.2 – Verifier for Sabah	Add Forest Management Plan as a new verifier to this indicator.	Relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 2.1.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Sabah State Constitution as a verifier for this indicator. Move bullet 7 (Forest Enactment, 1968) to 1 st bullet.	Already included in 1.1.1 Rearrangement of the verifiers.
Indicator 3.1.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Forest Management Plan as a verifier for this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.

ndicator 3.2.1 – Verifier or Sabah	Delete Land Ordinance, 1930 (Sabah Cap.68), Sustainable Forest Management Licence Agreement and Long Term Licence Agreement as the verifiers for this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 5.1.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete "Compliance Report to the Annual Work Plan and the Sustainable Forest Management Licence Agreement" as a verifier to this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 5.5.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Guidelines on forest management planning as a verifier to this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.
	Add Forest Management Plan as a new verifier to this indicator	Relevant to this indicator
Indicator 6.2.2 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete EIA Guidelines for Logging and Forest Clearance Activities, 2002 and Comprehensive Harvesting Plan.	Not relevant to this indicator.
	Add Forest Enactment 1968 as a new verifier to this indicator.	Relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 6.3.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete results of the pre-felling and post-felling inventories as a verifier to this indicator.	Already covered by other verifiers under this indicator.
Indicator 6.5.3 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Forest Road Construction Manual as a verifier to this indicator.	It is covered under RIL Operation Guide Book.
Indicator 6.6.2 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Sustainable Forest Management Licence Agreement as a verifier to this indicator.	
Indicator 8.1.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Replace Sustainable Forest Management Guidelines – Part IV (October 2003) with the following verifiers: Forest Management Plan RIL Operation Guide Book: Code of Practice for Forest Harvesting in Sabah, 2009. Monitoring forms: Quarterly Report and Compliance Report.	Replaced with the new verifiers.

Indicator 8.1.2 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Sustainable Forest Management Guidelines – Part IV (October 2003) as the verifier for this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.
	Add "Forest Management Plan" and "Monitoring forms: Quarterly Report and Compliance Report" as the new verifiers to this indicator.	Relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 8.3.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Delete Log Tracking System as a verifier to this indicator.	Not relevant to this indicator.
Indicator 9.3.1 – Verifier for Sabah	Add "Management prescriptions to maintain and/or enhance HCVF attributes" as a new verifier to this indicator.	Relevant to this indicator.