# Public Report Sustainable Forest Management System

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#### **PUBLIC AUDIT REPORT - SFM** TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CLIENT, IFCC AND TO AJA EUROPE



CLIENT NAME: PT Sumatera Riang Lestari

**TOTAL HECTARES:** 

26,930.92

SCOPE OF

Sustainable Forest Management in Plantation Forest of 26,930.92 hectares in Riau

**REGISTRATION:** 

**Province** 

STANDARD/CRITERIA: IFCC SFM & CLIENT DOCUMENTED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

**TYPE OF AUDIT:** Surveillance 2

AUDIT START DATE: September 26, 2017

In signing this document the Audit team confirms that they have had no involvement with the company under audit in terms of consultancy, training, direct employment etc. within the last 2 years and have no other involvement (financial, shareholding or commercial) that would constitute a Conflict of

AUDIT END DATE: September 29, 2017

LEAD AUDITOR: Abdullah Mujahid

SIGNATURE:

AUDIT TEAM: Andri Wibisono

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**MAJOR CARS:** 

MINOR CARS: 8

SITE NAME (Legal Name):	ADDRESSES OF COMPANY SITES VISITED INCLUDING COUNTRY	DATE OF EACH SITE VISIT:			
PT Sumatera Riang Lestari	Blok IV Rupat - Rupat and North Rupat Districts, Bengkalis Regency, Riau Province, Republic of Indonesia	September 26 to 29, 2017			
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#### **Brief Description of the concession**

PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat was granted a forest management permit based on Ministry of Forestry Decree No. SK.208/Menhut-II/2007, dated May 25, 2007 covering an area of approximately 215,305 ha, which covers an area of approximately 67,230 ha located in North Sumatra Province and approximately 148,075 ha in Riau Province. The area of Block IV Rupat is 38,210 ha.

PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat management plan documents in the form of Timber Forest Product Utilization Working Plan (RKUPHHK-HTI). Revised RKUPHHK-HTI PT Sumatera Riang Lestari in 2008 - 2017 has been approved by Decree of the Minister of Forestry No. SK.18/VI-BUHT/2014 dated April 16, 2014. In the document, the Management Unit records the spatial arrangement of its working area as follows: Protected Areas of 13,121ha (34.34%), Infrastructure Area of 1,224 ha (3.20%), Staple Plant Area of 17,720 ha (46.38%), Enrichment Plant Area of 3,853 ha (10.08%) and Livelihood Plant Area of 2,292 ha (6.00%).

There has been conversion of 11,279.08 ha of natural forest to plantation forest since December 31, 2010, which is not registered for certification. Thus the scope for IFCC certification is 38,210 – 11,279.08 = 26,930.92 ha. The Management Unit is committed to no further conversion of natural forest.

The working area of PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat is administratively located in Rupat and North Rupat Subdistricts of Bengkalis Regency of Riau Province. Geographically it lies between 01° 44′ 43.0″ to 01° 57′ 53.0″ North and 101° 26′ 16.0″ to 101° 40′ 34.0″ East. The northern limit of the working area is HPT (Limited Production Forest), to the South: APL (Other Use Areas), and HPK (Convertible Production Forest), to the East: HPT (Limited Production Forest), and to the West: HP (Permanent Production Forest) and HPT (Limited Production Forest).

The working area of the Management Unit has peat soil and species developed for production is *Acacia crassicarpa*.

### Description of the socio-economic conditions of the concession and the concession's social programs

In the field of socio-economic and cultural management, PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat seeks to provide jobs and business opportunities for the villagers surrounding the work area.

The Management Unit has identified, appreciates, recognizes and respects the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities in the ownership, control and use of land and forest resources. Community rights over non-timber forest products (NTFP) are respected through the provision of community access to NTFP, which include honey and fish, providing no damage is done to crops or the environment.

PT. Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat shows no discrimination between employing local or immigrant workers. The Company has a Collective Employment Agreement (PKB) that regulates the rights and obligations of the employer and employees including: recruitment, remuneration, employee placement, transfer, transfer, promotion, skills upgrading program, restrictions, and other matters.

The Management Unit has set in place standard conflict resolution standards that fully document and map all conflicts from their initial reporting through to final resolution. This participatory conflict resolution mechanism has been established and agreed upon by PT. Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat and the local community.

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The Management Unit complies with all laws and regulations relating to forest management practices, environmental protection, protected and endangered species of flora and fauna, the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities relating to land ownership and use, and occupational health and safety issues (OSH).

The majority of the Corporate CSR programs are charitable in nature, such as the donation of sarongs and sacrificial animals. However, irrigation facilities for farmer groups have also been pioneered, as have the offer of scholarships to students from surrounding villages.

#### Description of the ecological conditions of the concession

PT. Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat carries out monitoring and evaluation of the related aspects of production, environment (physical, chemical, biological) and socio-economic culture of society in accordance with prepared plans and procedures. The monitoring and evaluation is a sustainable program based on the documented Environmental Management Plan and RKL-RPL.

Monitoring program/environmental monitoring relating to the implementation of HTI development activities are grouped as follows: a. physical-chemical components, which include soil monitoring (minerals and peat), water and air; b. The monitored biological components include growth of food crops, disease and pest control, and biodiversity; and c. the socio-economic and cultural components that are monitored and include community development (CD)

The Management Unit has identified key protected and threatened / endangered species, as well as habitat and migration patterns including landscape considerations to implement appropriate management / scalable measures to minimize the negative impact of operational activities on endangered species. Within PT. Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV of Rupat region, the CITES species (App 1) is hornbill (*Aceros spp*).

In relation to activities related to the management of forest fires, the following are carried out: a. Fire Risk Assessment and mapping of areas vulnerable to fire. b. identification and provision of necessary equipment c. improvement of firefighting skills through internal and external training.

#### **Results of the Public Consultation**

Prior to performing Surveillance 2 Audit, PT AJA Sertifikasi Indonesia conducted public consultation commencing August 28, 2017, asking stakeholders to provide feedback and information on PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat. The public consultation was uploaded to PT AJA Sertifikasi Indonesia website (www.ajaindonesia.com), sent to the parties via email or postal mail, and published in local newspapers. PT AJA Sertifikasi Indonesia received a public consultation response from the Darul Aman village head regarding the absence of CD program aid and the absence of local employment from the Darul Aman Village.

The audit team visited Darul Aman village to further verify the response, but unfortunately the village head was away in Dumai at the time and only the village secretary was available to provide details. Based on information from the secretary, the assistance offered by the Management Unit was not acceptable to the village. This dates back to the Company's promise in 2011 to provide assistance for the construction of the BPD office building. The Company had already budgeted the allocation of BPD office building in 2012, but because the contractor was directly handled by the former village head, up until 2014 no money had been provided for the construction of the BPD offices, which until now have not been built. On one occasion replacement in the form of mosque development aid was offered, but because this was not in accordance with the expectations of society it was finally rejected by the community. At the time of the meeting with the audit team,

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the secretary advised that the village plans to make a further proposal for the construction of the BPD office. As for the absorption of local manpower, there is currently just one person working as a security guard. In 2013, there were a number of people working for the Company, but as the palm oil companies have grown in the area, employment has been less attractive and most of them have moved to the oil palm companies, while some work on their own gardens.

The audit team also gathered information from the mass media about PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat. The reported cases were considered material in the audit process carried out by PT AJA Sertifikasi Indonesia.

The Management Unit has identified all the requirements required for this certification process, comprising legal aspects that include compliance with international rules and regulations and conventions. The management system has been built to cover all activities in the field of certification, which is registered for an area of 26,930.92 hectares.

## Findings on the certified client conformity with the certification requirements and description of critical issues in relation to the conformity.

Result of Surveillance 2 Audit of PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat identified eight (8) Minor Non-Conformities. The management system of PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat is operating effectively. No critical issues of time were identified.

No	Non-Conformities	Corrective Action Performed	Category
1	m M		М.
1	The Management Unit was unable to	The Management Unit has approved cuts to	Minor
	demonstrate proof of all heavy equipment	the contractor in relation to training costs for	
	operators having the requisite license (SIO).	heavy equipment operators.	
	Clause Ref I.1.13		
2	Tree label designation on inventory activity in	Documentation on labeling in the two	Minor
	two sections was not in accordance with SOP	sections to be socialized.	
	on Plantation Forest Inventory		
	Clause Ref I.4.2.		
3	Implementation of marking trees in one plot is	The Management Unit will ensure the	Minor
	not in accordance with the SOP.	implementation is in accordance with the	
	Clause Ref I.5.2	relevant SOP.	
4	There are still numerous cases of management	The Management Unit to ensure monitoring	Minor
	of B3 waste that do not comply with the SOP.	of the management of B3 waste by the	
		planting and harvesting contractors.	
	Clause Ref I.6.6		
5	The Management Unit has cultivated livelihood	The Management Unit is making progress in	Minor
	crops in the form of rubber crops with a total	preparing the MOU on livelihood plants even	
	area of 1,319.4 hectares from 2012 until 2014,	though this program has been running and in	
	but has no document of cooperation (MoU)	agreement of the community for such a time	
	with the people who are entitled to receive	period that the MOU is considered	
	livelihood crops.	unnecessary	
	Clause Ref I.9.3		
6	The Management Unit was unable to show	The Management Unit has provided proof of	Minor

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	proof of payment of BPJS Employment and	payment of BPJS Employment and BPJS	
	BPJS Health for all employees of contractors.	Health for all employees of the four	
		contractors.	
	Clause Ref I.11.1		
7	The Management Unit was unable to supply the results of special MCU checks on spray workers, toxic mixers and chemical warehouse workers to ensure that the workers are not suffering from exposure to hazardous chemicals	The Management Unit has shown the results of the special warehouse MCU inspection. Gradually it will perform special MCUs on all spray workers, poison mixers and chemical warehouse workers to ensure that the workers are not suffering from exposure to hazardous chemicals.	Minor
	Clause Ref I.12.1	nazaruous chemicais.	
8	The Management Unit has provided separate trash cans for organic and inorganic waste, yet based on the visit to various parts of the working areas these are not being properly utilized.	The Management Unit will conduct monitoring and dissemination to the workers regarding the separation of organic and inorganic waste.	Minor
	Clause Ref I.12.6		

#### Conditions under which the certificate is issued

SFM Certificate IFCC PT Sumatera Riang Lestari Block IV Rupat certificate number : AJA/IFCC-PEFC/FMC-HT/00010/XI/2015 remains valid until 12/11/2018

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