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Sir,

REVIEW OF THE MALAYSIAN CRITERIA AND INDICATORS FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION (FOREST PLANTATIONS) (MC & I(FOREST PLANTATIONS)- FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT.

Your letter dated 8 January 2013, Reference no: (4) MTCC7/1/7 Vol.1. is referred.

- 2. We would like to express our gratitude to MTCC on the efforts in the development and establishment of such certification in support of commercial forest plantations. We believe it is essential in order to overcome deficiencies to our expanding wood based industries and at the same time to reduce pressure on natural forests.
- 3. We do hope that Principle 5 on Benefits from the forest and Principle 6 on Environmental Impact will be enforced and monitored accordingly to all certificate's applicant. This is to ensure all related development will comply with environmental regulations and take the necessary precautions in order to ensure that the risks and impact of environmental pollution can be reduced.



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Yours sincerely,

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