

**STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)  
STAKEHOLDER FORUM  
MINUTES OF MEETING**

Location : Mulia 1 & 2, The Premier Hotel, Pekanbaru

Date, Time : Tuesday, 07 June 2022

Participants:

<b>Academia</b>	
1. Dr. Eno Swarno (Universitas Lancang Kuning)	2. Irfan Syah Daulay (Institut Teknonologi Perkebunan Pelalawan Indonesia)
3. Irwan Taslapratama (Universitas Islam Negeri Sultan Syarif Kasim Riau)	4. Eka Armas Paulis (Universitas Riau)
5. M. Mardhiansyah (Universitas Riau)	6. Eno Suwarno (Universitas Lancang Kuning)
7. Prof. Detri Karya (Universitas Islam Riau)	
<b>Government Institution</b>	
1. Ali Yusran SH (KPH Mandau)	2. Dedi Hermansyah (KPH Kampar Kiri)
3. Budi Hidayat (KPH Kampar Kiri)	4. Abrisman (KPH Singingi)
5. Dewi H (KPH Sorek DLHK)	6. Teuku Syukran (Bappeda Pelalawan)
7. Nurdin (KPH Sorek DLHK)	8. Dedi Suranto (DLH Siak)
9. Sri Irianto (KPH Tebing Tinggi – DLHK)	10. Akzan Usman (Bappeda Siak)
11. Eko Novitra (DLH Kab. Pelalawan)	12. Faisal (KPH Tasik Besar Serkap)
13. Marsa Putri (DLHK Riau)	14. M Imran Sinaga (Pusat Pengendalian Pembanguna Ekoregion Sumatera)
15. Arif Hendrato (KPH Tasik Besar Serkap)	
<b>NGOs</b>	
1. Wawan (HGI Komda Riau)	2. Teddy Hariansyah (Kabut Riau)
3. Harry Oktavian (Bahtera Alam)	4. Nurman (AMAN Riau)
5. Tomi Tamzil Hadiputra (Teras Riau)	6. Hasan Suprianto (SIKLUS)
7. Zulfahmi (Eco Nusantara)	8. Fatra Budiyanto (Telapak BT Riau)
9. Rahmaidi Azani (Kelompok Advokasi Riau)	10. Jay Zasmi (Elang)
11. Redo (WRI)	12. Miswadi (FKKM Riau)
13. Widya Astuti (Yayasan Hutan Riau)	14. Melki Rumania (Yayasan Hutan Riau)
15. Saifullah (JMGR)	16. Safri (JMGR)
17. Desriandi (PASA)	18. Besta (Saudagho Siak)
19. Herbert (Yayasan Mitra Insani)	20. Cici Rifmayanti (AKSI)
21. Linda Veronika (Tapak Riau)	
<b>Association</b>	
1. Muller Tampubolon (APHI)	2. Dr. Wawan (Himpunan Gambut Indonesia)
3. Edi Darmawi (APINDO)	
<b>Students</b>	
1. Ilham (Mapala EMC2)	2. Sri Indah (Mapala Humendala)
3. M. Arsyi (Mapala Humendala)	
<b>Community Representative</b>	
1. Abdul Mukhti (Laskar Alam, Pulau Padang, Kep. Meranti)	2. Anasrudin (Desa Pulau Muda, Kab. Pelalawan)
3. Afino P (Desa Dayun, Kab. Siak)	
<b>SAC dan KPMG PRI</b>	
1. Jeffrey Sayer	2. Putera Parthama

3. Erna Witoelar	4. Neil Byron
5. Rodney Taylor	6. Chris Ridley-Thomas (KPMG PRI)
7. Yudi Iskandarsyah (KPMG PRI)	
<b>APRIL Representatives</b>	
1. Lucita Jasmin	2. Mulia Nauli
3. Craig Tribolet	4. Dian Novarina
5. Nadine Zamira Syarief	6. Addriyanus Tantra
7. Khaerul Basyar	8. Nadia Safirna Putri

### **Tribute to Pak Al Azhar – Erna Witoelar (SAC Member)**

Ibu Erna on behalf of the SAC gave a tribute in honor of the late Pak Al Azhar and highlighted the value he brought to SAC.

### **Opening Remarks – Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)**

- Expressed appreciation for and welcomed attendees to the first in-person SAC Stakeholder Forum since the pandemic in 2020.
- Expressed the deep regret of SAC members at the passing of Pak Al Azhar. SAC agreed that Pak Al's wisdom and knowledge will be greatly missed.
- Introduced SAC members and briefly explained that SAC is an independent body with advisory roles to APRIL especially on SFMP 2.0 implementation.
- Briefly explained the agenda for the Forum which covered 1) 2022 SFMP 2.0 Assurance Process result by KPMG; and 2) APRIL 2030 progress update by APRIL.

### **2022 SFMP Assurance Process Session – Yudi Iskandarsyah (KPMG PRI)**

- Explained background of SFMP 2.0 assurance process as an annual audit of APRIL's performance against its Sustainable Forest Management Policy (SFMP) since 2014.
- Mentioned the scope of assurance process which assessed APRIL's performance across 34 indicators from SFMP 2.0 commitments for the period of 1 January – 31 December 2021
- Described the assurance process which involved seven field visits with combination of concessions in peatland and mineral soil representing two PT. RAPP concession, three Supply Partners' concessions, one Open Market Supplier's and one Community Forestry. KPMG also mentioned that community meetings and observers are postponed until COVID-19 risk reduced
- Presented summary of findings in 2022: no new non-conformance, three new good practices, and seven new opportunities for improvement (OFI).
- Highlighted key observations including no new development identified and progress in closing most of action plans from previous OFIs
- Acknowledged good practices from APRIL including the Contractor Safety Management System (CSMS), which is a critical point for APRIL and will help instill a safety culture
- Mentioned four out of six open action plans related to OFI from prior assessments have been closed with the two remaining related to implementation of a revised grievance SOP and development of broad plan to address rehabilitation of historic encroachment

### **Questions and Answers – Session I**

<b>Questions</b>	<b>Answers</b>
<p><b>Mardhiansyah (UNRI)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expressed appreciation to APRIL for its consistency in conducting SAC Stakeholder Forum</li><li>• Gave input for KPMG to present in English instead of Bahasa Indonesia to prevent misunderstanding/mistranslation especially on the technical terms that might get 'lost in translation' such as how 'plantation' was translated on the presentation slide.</li><li>• Emphasized that Stakeholder Forum should provide update on input from previous stakeholder forum to show progress on issues of concern.</li></ul>	<p><b>Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Offered an apology on behalf of SAC for not providing consistent updates from previous forums and confirms that it will better track stakeholder inputs in the future.</li><li>• Noted the importance of correct translation but highlighted that it was only an error in the presentation and not the formal assurance report.</li></ul> <p><b>Chris Ridley-Thomas (KPMG)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mentioned that the Forum is a good opportunity to get feedback from stakeholders and noted the need for better oversight on translations.</li></ul>

<p><b>Harry Oktavian (Bahtera Alam)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gave input to also provide KPMG report in English to provide full understanding</li> <li>• Emphasized that communities don't understand the grievance mechanism and that there is a lack of trust from communities whether the grievance will be processed. This might be due to past history of conflict that didn't get resolved appropriately.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Mulia Nauli (APRIL)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated that APRIL is on track to implement the revised grievance SOP which will accommodate offline grievance to provide a simpler process for communities to submit grievance and will continue socialization efforts to assist stakeholders to use the grievance system.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Widya Astuti (Yayasan Hutan Riau)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gave input for APRIL to provide both KPMG report in Bahasa and English</li> <li>• Added to Harry's point on grievance where there is no trust and insecurity from communities to submit grievance but another reason is because the complexity of the grievance form. APRIL should make it easier to submit grievance with no complex process.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noted the input and emphasized efforts on the offline grievance channel.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Abriman (KPH Singingi)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledge APRIL's effort to connect with stakeholders.</li> <li>• Raised issue on honey loss by 80% which might be due to tree species change from Acacia to Eucalyptus. APRIL should evaluate if Acacia can still be planted as it affects economy of the communities.</li> <li>• Showed appreciation to APRIL for conserving the green belt and its contribution to Kuansing communities. Requested for APRIL to consider CSR fund for <i>pacu jalur</i>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advised for APRIL to potentially do a study to confirm whether the observed honey loss is really due to changing of tree species or other environmental factors.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mulia Nauli (APRIL)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggested a solution for Community Development (CD) Dept. to train communities to breed bees to produce honey.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Zulfahmi (Eco Nusantara)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pointed out that SAC composition is missing local representation, formerly fill in by Al Azhar. SAC should consider to find a local representation to strengthen the SAC.</li> <li>• Suggested to breakdown SFMP 2.0 assurance indicators and display trends to give audience some context for the information.</li> <li>• Suggested update by SAC in responding to inputs from previous stakeholder forums to show progress.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAC is in the process of looking for a local representative.</li> <li>• Advised KPMG to present the findings in a summary format highlighting progress made on key topics.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sapri (Jaringan Masyarakat Gambut Riau)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reminded APRIL of a complaint raised on livelihood plantation in Pelalawan on 23,000 ha area. Communities have requested for a livelihood plantation or partnership but to date there has been no realization from APRIL.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Mulia Nauli (APRIL)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APRIL never imposes on communities to plant specific trees for their livelihood plantation. It is based on request by and agreement with communities.</li> <li>• APRIL notes the issue on the Pelalawan livelihood plantation and will look into it internally.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emphasized that in choosing type of commodities for livelihood plantations, APRIL needs to consider what is best for communities (for example rubber or acacia). Mentioned that 250,000 ha will be proposed by communities to be social forestry.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Melki Rumania (Yayasan Hutan Riau)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enquired on the ratio of plantation and conservation area commitment and what scope is it applied (at the concession level or in APRIL's overall land footprint).</li> <li>Pointed out that KPMG's presentation has shown good progress but there are findings by NGOs on the ground that aren't captured by the KPMG assurance. Asked whether KPMG findings and SFMP 2.0 are communicated and implemented with officers at the estate level and whether there is internal monitoring to ensure whether the policy is being implemented.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Mulia Nauli (APRIL Management)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarified that 1:1 commitment from APRIL to conserve 1 hectare for every 1 hectare of plantation applies to APRIL's overall landbank.</li> </ul> <p><b>Chris Ridley-Thomas (KPMG)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mentioned KPMG's role on 1:1 is to track and assure progress towards meeting the commitment.</li> <li>Mentioned that KPMG is open to hearing of issues not captured or observation of other indicators needed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Anasrudin (Desa Pulau Muda, Teluk Meranti)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appreciated APRIL for realizing the livelihood plantation in 2010</li> <li>Shared update that compensation has been received by the communities and has been distributed to 9 mosques with amount of IDR 20 million per mosque.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>APRIL 2030 Progress Update – Dian Novarina (APRIL)</b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thanked SAC for providing the opportunity for APRIL to give an update on APRIL2030.</li> <li>Thanked the audience for continued interest in and support for APRIL and its sustainability commitments.</li> <li>Presented the RGE Environmental Social Governance (ESG) Framework which is implemented at the group level and which the Business Groups have translated into specific policies and commitments. Following APRIL's launch of its 2030 agenda, Business Groups under RGE have since launched their 2030 commitments with key common principles including emission reduction, zero tolerance for deforestation and investing in technology for circularity incorporated in the commitments.</li> <li>APRIL has secured sustainability linked loans from participating banks which are pegged to 3 key KPIs 1) Reduction of Scope 1 emissions; 2) Increase in % of renewable energy used in fiber operations; 3) Investment in conservation. <b>Depending on APRIL's audited performance against the KPIs, interest rates may increase or decrease.</b></li> <li>Explained APRIL 2030 Commitment Pillars : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Climate Positive: reported</u> progress on solar panel installation of 1 Megawatt completed in 2021 and the plan for another 10 Megawatts in 2022. APRIL also has doubled its commitment to install solar panel installation of 50 Megawatt by 2030 as the current APRIL2030 commitment (25 Megawatt) will be achieved by 2023</li> <li><u>Thriving Landscapes:</u> emphasized embedding investment in conservation to the business through the USD 1/fibre ton/year. Mentioned that APRIL is on track to increase mean annual increment to 22 tonnes in 2022 through improved silviculture, genetic improvement and better soil nutrition.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

- Mentioned briefly the Community Conservation Programs where APRIL are engaging directly with local communities to take part in forest conservation with performance-based incentive
- Mentioned an example of APRIL support on Public Private Partnership (PPP) to support Indonesian government's agenda in pushing significantly on forest restoration. The partnership involves the establishment of a tree nursery in Rumpin, Bogor backed by USD 2 million investment.
- Inclusive Progress: targets cover communities and gender empowerment. Highlighted bringing communities into the digital economy with APRIL partnering with Tanihub in providing training to farmers to sell the products on the online market
- Sustainable Growth: targets and highlights on chemical, water and alternative materials while mentioning APRIL has already managed to reduce by half the solid waste to landfill
- Invited input from the stakeholders as APRIL progresses on its commitments and mentioned the importance of collaboration and partnership to achieve APRIL 2030

#### **Closing Remarks – Putera Parthama (SAC Co-Chair)**

- Thanked the participants for the contribution and ideas raised and SAC will take them seriously
- Offered apology if previous inputs have not been sufficiently tracked and this process will be improved moving forward.