Palm Oil Roundup

Wilmar Leads Charge for Palm Oil's Deforestation-Free Future



Wilmar, the world's largest palm oil trader, is positioning itself at the forefront of a push to make the controversial industry deforestation-free.

In a joint statement with Aidenvironment and supporting consumer goods companies, Wilmar details its new supplier monitoring and engagement programme.

According to Wilmar, this will "accelerate its efforts towards a deforestation-free palm oil industry".

The programme was developed to step up the effectiveness of its current 'No Deforestation, No Peat, No Exploitation' (NDPE) policy while also intending to provide remediation for past deforestation by its third-party suppliers.

Wilmar said it will be supporting efforts by Aidenvironment to develop a comprehensive oil palm supplier group mapping database under the latter's 'Supplier Group Compliance Programme,' which will enable land development activities of Wilmar's suppliers to be better monitored. (read more...)

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- <u>Charles Tennant & Company (Canada)</u>
 Limited
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- Vitusa Products, Inc.

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Palm Oil is Destroying Rainforests. But Try Going a Day Without it: On a snowy December morning, I crawled from my bed in the dark. In the bathroom, I washed my hands, brushed my teeth, and slathered some moisturizer on my face. Before the waking sun had painted the mountains out my window a pale pink, before I'd even made it into the kitchen, I already had palm oil on my hands, face, and tongue. (read-more...)

Palm Trees 'Rescue' Villagers from Poverty: When 23-year-old Rose Nkandu qualified to Grade 10, it was like the end of the road for her. Her parents did not have the financial means to send her to school. Later, the family 'migrated' from Samfya in Luapula Province to Senior Chief Kopa's area in Kanchibiya district, Muchinga Province, in search of a better living. (read more...)