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## VALIDATION STATEMENT FOR BIOFILICA INVESTIMENTOS AMBIENTAIS SA, MAÍSA-MOJÚ AGROINDUSTRIAL LTDA., AND SIPASA-SERINGA INDUSTRIAL DO PARÁ S/A

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### Validation Scope:

Rainforest Alliance has validated that the Maisa REDD+ Project is in conformance with the *Climate, Community and Biodiversity Standards, Second Edition - December 2008*. The project is located in Moju, PA, Brazil. This independent third-party validation covers a REDD project of 28,752 hectares of privately owned land. The objective of this validation audit is to assess the likelihood that the implementation of the planned GHG project will result in the GHG emission reductions and/or removals stated in the project GHG assertion. The information supporting the GHG assertion is projected in nature. The project estimates it will lead to an avoidance of 2,023,743.8 t CO<sub>2e</sub> emissions over the course of the 30 year project lifetime. The project will also facilitate the empowerment of local communities on regional decision making processes, and assist with the development of small scale agriculture and grazing activities. In addition, the project conserves regional biodiversity by maintaining forest cover through guaranteed habitat protections and by mitigating landscape fragmentation. The project has demonstrated conformance with the Gold Level criteria for exceptional biodiversity benefits. The project was evaluated to a reasonable level of assurance.

**Validation Registration Code: RA-VAL-CCB-018994**

**Effective Date: 29 December 2014**

**Date of Expiration if Verification not Achieved: 28 December 2019**

The validity of this statement is contingent upon the project's continued implementation of the *Climate, Community and Biodiversity Standards, Second Edition - December 2008* and as further defined in the Rainforest Alliance Validation Audit Report dated 29 December 2014.



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This validation was conducted in collaboration with Imaflo, a subcontractor organization of Rainforest Alliance.

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## **Summary of the climate, community and biodiversity benefits the project is expected to deliver from the cover page of the Project Design Documentation:**

- “Climate”: An amount of **2.023.743,8** tCO<sub>2</sub>eq emissions will be prevented by project’s activities, while 2.342.920,8 tCO<sub>2</sub>eq would be emitted at Project absence. On average, 67.458,1 tCO<sub>2</sub>eq yearly will be prevented by the Project activities.
- “Community”: Empowerment of local communities on the regional decision making process and public policies; Development of communities organizational aspects; and development of more sophisticate business chains for small scale agriculture and grazing sector through rural technical assistance and market studies.
- “Biodiversity”: The maintenance of the project’s area forest cover will guarantee habitats protection, ecosystem balance and best practices applied on the low impact logging techniques will favor the habitats quality. Moreover the project will benefit the regional biodiversity by mitigating landscape fragmentation aspects since it will behave as an “ecological corridor or springboard” to biodiversity on the landscape level.

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