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Dear Tesco growers, suppliers and SIZA stakeholders,

Tesco Approved Audit Service Providers for SIZA Audits

We have carried out an evaluation of our ethical audit service providers (ASPs) and after careful consideration, have decided to consolidate the number of ASPs to streamline our operations and improve overall monitoring efficiency.

This consolidation will involve removing SGS, BSI and Intertek from Tesco SIZA approval list on the 1st January 2024. As of this date, we will only accept initial/periodic ethical audit reports completed by following ASPs:

- Control Union
- NSF
- Partner Africa
- Elevate

As a reminder, we highly recommend that you proactively reach out to our approved ASPs at least 3 months in advance to book the FULL SIZA ethical audit and explicitly advise the ASP that the audit is for Tesco to ensure compliance with Tesco's requirements. Additionally, we want to highlight that for follow-up audits required to verify an outstanding non-conformance, it's important to note it is a Sedex requirement that these must be conducted by the ASP who carried out the previous full audit. This exemption will be valid until 30th June 2024, allowing SGS, BSI and Intertek to complete the follow-up audits for initial/periodic audits they carried out before 1st January 2024.

We have also prepared a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document which covers various aspects of the consolidation and provides detailed answers to common enquiries. If you have any further questions or require additional clarification after reviewing the FAQ document, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your usual Tesco contact.

Kind regards,

Tesco Standards and Audit Team