

# **Rainforest Alliance**

## VERIFICATION STATEMENT FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION TRUST OF UGANDA (ECOTRUST)

Plot 49 Nakiwogo Road Entebbe P.O. Box 8986 Kampala, Uganda

## Verification Scope:

Rainforest Alliance has verified that ECOTRUST's Tree for Global Benefits Project is in conformance with the *the Plan Vivo Standards, 2008*. The project is located in Uganda. This independent third-party verification covers an afforestation project of 2,753.5 hectares of privately owned land. The objective of this verification audit is to verify the implementation of the validated GHG project. The information supporting the GHG assertion is historic in nature. The verification assessment covered the monitoring period from 24 October 2008 to 1 July 2013, and verified the following calculated emission reductions and/or removals were achieved during the monitoring period with a reasonable level of assurance.

As per Plan Vivo rules, the project buffer of 10% has been deducted in the approved Technical Specifications by reducing the estimated per hectare GHG removals from 229 tCO<sub>2</sub>e to 206 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. As a result, this verification audit verified the ex-ante crediting of 514,605 tCO<sub>2</sub>e expected to be generated by additional project areas included since the 2009 verification.

#### Verification Registration Code: RA-VER-PV-018983

### Effective Date: 6 January, 2014

The validity of this statement is contingent upon the project's continued implementation of the *the Plan Vivo Standards, 2008* and as further defined in the Rainforest Alliance Verification Audit Report dated 6 January, 2014.

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