



LME RFA
AUDIT SUMMARY REPORT

June 2024

Background & Introduction

In 2019, the London Metal Exchange (LME) announced its responsible sourcing requirements following a formal market-wide consultation.

The requirements for all LME-registered brands are to:

1. Implement the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High Risk Areas ("OECD Guidance") through track A, B or C or confirm secondary sourcing through track D.
2. Maintain an ISO 14001 environmental management system certification or equivalent.
3. Maintain an ISO 45001 occupational health and safety management system certification or equivalent.

For the third year since the LME's responsible sourcing requirements entered into force, Sherritt, through the Metals Enterprise joint-venture (hereafter, the Producer) aims to comply with the above-mentioned requirement n.1, following the audited LME RFA track, also known as track B, with reference to calendar year 2023.

Audit Objectives

TDi Sustainability (TDi) was engaged by the Producer with the purpose to conduct an audit, with the objective to verify whether:

- The Producer's compiled LME RFA is based on appropriate and accurate information.
- The Producer correctly reached the conclusion that no OECD Red Flags have arisen during the reporting period.
- The management system that led to such a conclusion is adequate.
- All other information is complete and the Producer publicly discloses information as required.

LME Brand Information

LME Brand Producer (Auditee) Name	Sherritt International Corporation / The Cobalt Refinery Company Inc (COREFCO) (the Producer)
LME Brand	SHERITT NICKEL BRIQUETTES
Reporting Period start date	01/01/2023



Reporting Period end date	31/12/2023
Address of Brand producing site	114 St, Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, Canada
Website of Brand producer	https://www.sherritt.com
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Audit information and scope

Auditor company name	TDi Sustainability (TDi)
Lead auditor	Julija Menise
Team members supporting the audit	Alessandra Gargiulo
Methodology applied	The audit consisted of: • A desk-based review of objective evidence, • Management interviews. Please refer to the presentation attached (<i>TDi_Sherritt_LME_RFA_Complete_Audit_Report_2024</i>) for further details on the audit activities, timelines, and results. The audit was conducted in line with LME's methodology as described in the document Guidance note for Track B audits as well as ISO19001:2011.
Audit scope	The audit assessed the information provided by the Producer in their LME Red Flag Assessment (RFA). To this end, the audit assessed the adequacy of the management system that led the Producer to conclusions provided in the RFA, through interviews and documentary review. The LME RFA in scope of the audit refers to LME Brand SHERRITT NICKEL BRIQUETTES.
Audit Date(s)	15/05/2024 – 16/06/2024

Audit Type	Re-audit. An audit of the Producer's 2023 RFA was conducted by TDi in 2023 for the 2022 Reporting Period.
Audit Report Submission and Conformance Validity	This RFA Audit Report is valid as of June 16, 2024

Conclusion

TDi has verified the Producer's LME RFA in respect of the Reporting Period 01/01/2023-31/12/2023 and that the Producer has correctly reached the conclusion that no OECD Red Flags have arisen, based on an adequate management system.

For avoidance of doubt, the auditor is able to provide a statement of conformance for the elements included in the Audit Scope.

During the course of the audit, improvement areas have been identified based on the auditor's professional judgement, as outlined in the attached presentation, entitled *TDi_Sherritt_LME RFA_Complete Audit Report_2024*, which do not alter the statement of conformance.

Audit Results:	
☒	The audit was conducted in accordance with ISO19001:2011 Standard. The auditor verified the scope, selected samples, and gathered objective evidence through documentation review and interviews.
☒	The auditor confirms that the Producer's management system allows for the identification of the OECD Red Flags.
☒	The auditor confirms that the Producer did not identify any OECD Red Flags in the Reporting Period.
☒	The auditor confirms that all other questions are complete and the Producer publicly discloses information as required.
Auditor Statements:	
☒	The information provided by the auditee is true and accurate to the best knowledge of the Auditor(s) preparing the report.
☒	The findings are based on verified objective evidence relevant to the time period for the audit.
☒	The Auditor(s) have acted in a manner deemed ethical, truthful, accurate, professional, independent and objective.
☒	The Auditor(s) are properly qualified to carry out the audit.
☒	There were no limitations to this audit.



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