Cargill stevia program receives global FSA 3.0 Silver benchmark

After a rigorous, nearly year-long validation process, Cargill’s agricultural stevia program has been benchmarked at Silver level by SAI Platform’s Farm Sustainability Assessment (FSA) 3.0 – becoming the first stevia producer in the industry to evaluate our entire grower network and achieve this distinction across our supply chain.

What is the SAI Farm Sustainability Assessment?
FSA is a standardized reference developed by SAI Platform, a food and drink industry organization dedicated to advancing sustainable agriculture in the food chain. It’s designed to help producers assess their sustainable practices and support manufacturers in sourcing sustainably grown products.

- 40+ countries worldwide use this third-party audit
- Benchmarks 100+ issues across social, environmental, economic and general farm management practices
- Silver is second-highest benchmark level

SAI FSA 3.0 Silver Level Equivalence
Verifies that program meets or exceeds FSA sustainability criteria for Silver level. Cargill’s stevia program is equivalent to:

- 100% of essential criteria
- 81% of intermediate criteria
- 67% of advanced criteria

CARGILL STEVIA SUSTAINABILITY AGRICULTURAL STANDARD
The industry’s first and most comprehensive criteria, encompassing four key pillars and compliance assured by third-party audit:

- Agronomy: Managing land use through sustainable practices
- Environment: Enforcing chemical handling protocols
- Social: Protecting human rights
- Economic: Preserving farmer livelihoods

Why do sustainable practices matter?
In the wider market, there can be significant differences in sweetness quality, environmental footprint and labor practices. Cargill only sources stevia through our own program, so you can be assured of:

- Consistent, reliable products
- Full traceability from field to finished product
- Ethical sourcing, no forced labor

Learn more at cargill.com/sustainablestevia

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