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Sarawak Audit Checklist / Report STLVS Principles 5 & 6

Company	Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. (189461-H)		
Contact Person	Mr Charlie Tan (General Manager) Mr. Alex Hii (Shipping cum Admin Officer)		
Office Address	Ta Ann Building, No. 6, Jalan Rawang, P.O. Box 1489, 96008 Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia.		
Mill Address	Mill 1: Lot 267, 268, 269, Engkilo Land District, Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia. Mill 2: Lot 424 & 1420, Block II, Engkilo Land District, Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia.		
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Reference #	GFSS 019-028
Audit Date	16/11/2023
Report Date	-
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Approved By	Dr. Kevin Grace

Statements			
GFS Statement of Compliance #	GFS 041 WTP		
Issuance Date	12 December 2023	Expiration Date	11 December 2024

Assessment Details				
Company Type	Sawmill and Moulding Mill			
	STLVS P5&6:			
Scope of Assessment	Mill 1: Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd.			
	Mill 2: Raplex Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. – Managed by Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd.			
Product Group	Sawn Timbers and Moulded Timbers (S4S, E2E, Reeded Decking, Laminated Post/Beam/Board, Finger Joints, Flooring, Furniture)			
Source of Material	Sarawak, Malaysia			
Species	Shorea spp. (Meranti), Dryobalanops spp. (Kapur), Lithocarpus spp. (Empenit), Eugenia spp. (Ubah), Tristaniopsis spp. (Selunsor), Dialium indum (Keranji), Mangifera spp. (Asam), Kokoona littoralis (Bajan), Beilschmiedia spp., Litsea spp., Dehaasia spp., Phoebe spp., Magnolia spp., Nothaphoebe spp., Ternstroemia spp., Actinodaphne spp., Cinnamomum spp. (Medang), Durio spp. (Durian), Cratoxylum spp. (Geronggang), Vatica spp., Cotylelobium spp. (Resak), Xanthophyllum spp. (Nyalin), Mezzettia spp. (Kepayang babi), Parastemon spp. (Ngilas), Acacia mangium (Acacia)			
Close Out Date	Not applicable			
GFS Lead Assessor	Brandon James			
GFS Assessor(s) Glory Linggou				
Others	Mr. Alex Hii (Shipping cum Admin Officer), Morni Binti Abdul Rajak (Inventory Assistant), Affendy Bin Shahminan (Quality Control), Mohali B. Jauji (Mill Supervisor)			

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Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance with Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. to the criteria within the Sarawak Timber Legality Verification System (STLVS) (v02 dated 29 Jan 2019) Principle 5 - Mill Operations and Principle 6 - Trade and Customs. Compliance is defined when the organization demonstrates that there is no non-compliance to any applicable criteria. Any non-compliance must be formally addressed in accordance with the STLVS auditing manual and prior to issuance of a GFS Audit Statement.

Limitations of Assessment

The information presented in this report is based on documentation and other information presented by the client and observations made during the site verification under the scope of assessment. GFS reporting of information presented by the client are taken as accurate, unless evaluated differently through the observations made during the assessment. All information presented in the report is accurate and complete to the best of knowledge of GFS.

Background Information:

Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. (Lik Shen Sawmill) is registered in Sarawak, Malaysia, with registration # 189461-H and is one of the subsidiaries under Ta Ann Holdings Berhad. The main businesses are the production and sales of sawn timbers, dress sawn, KD and S4S timbers and various moulding related products ranging from finger joined products, laminated beam, post and board, decking, flooring, bullnose, furniture component, and others.

Lik Shen Sawmill exports its products to Australia, Japan, South Korea, and India. Lik Shen Sawmill practices quality assurance and exports only quality timber products. Apart from the quality assurance, Lik Shen Sawmill also assures their timber products are from legal or verified sources of origin. Lik Shen Sawmill currently adheres to the company policy to source logs only from the forest concessions under Ta Ann Group within Sarawak. Lik Shen Sawmill is also a PEFC COC certified company, with certificate number: BVCMY-PEFC-000010 that is valid through 07/03/2024.

The previous assessment was conducted in December 2022 with 1 Gap(s) and 0 Observation(s) (Report #: GFSS 019-027).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Lik Shen Sawmill is one of the 100% owned subsidiaries under Ta Ann Holdings Berhad. Lik Shen Sawmill managed 2 mills:

Mill 1 - Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. (License #: S/120) for production of moulded timber located next to Ta Ann Plywood mill.

Mill 2 - Raplex Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. (License #: S/119) for production of sawn timber located at Grant 1110, Sg. Sadit & OT 4309, Sg. Dasan, Telok Nawak, Sibu, Sarawak.

Lik Shen Sawmill does not engage other companies as their subcontractors to provide or manufacture products.



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Description of the Supply Chain:

Lik Shen Sawmill obtains materials from suppliers as below:

Supplier	License #	Material	Risk level	Certificate #
Raplex Sdn. Bhd.	FTL T/0560	Natural Log	Low	PEFC FMC-NF 00122 (27/06/2024)
Tanjong Manis Holdings Sdn. Bhd.	FTL T/3491	Natural Log	Low	PEFC FMC-NF 00118 (10/06/2026)
Pasin Sdn. Bhd.	FTL T/3135	Natural Log	Low	PEFC FMC-NF 00124 (15/03/2025)
Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd.	LPF/0010	Natural and plantation logs	Low	GFS 020 LVS (14/12/2023)

	Itinerary of Assessment		
Date	GFS Staff	Mandays	
14 November 2023 Tuesday Travel to Sibu and overnight.		Brandon James Glory Linggou	2
15 November 2023 Wednesday	Travel to Subur Tiasa Particleboard. Opening meeting, document review, site visit to factory, closing meeting. Stay overnight in Sibu	Brandon James Glory Linggou	2
16 November 2023 Thursday Travel to Lik Shen Sawmill. Opening me document review, site visit to factory, clemeting. Stay overnight in Sibu.		Brandon James Glory Linggou	2
17 November 2023 Friday	Travel to Kota Kinabalu. Reporting GFSS 061-007 Reporting GFSS 019-028	Brandon James Glory Linggou Dr. Kevin Grace	4
		Total	10

Summary results:

(Major Gap = 0 / Minor Gap = 1 / Observations = 0)

GAPs:						
GAP # Type Chec		Checklist	Status	Description		
001/2022	minor	5.3.2	Outstanding	December 2022: The training was limited to firefighting and did not include job safety and the use of equipment. November 2023: Inconsistent documentation to support training on job safety and equipment for workers in Mill 1 and Mill 2.		

*Note: Major Gap = Non-Compliance / Minor Gap = Minor Gap raised can be upgraded to a Major Gap if not adequately addressed by the date of the next surveillance visit.

Observations			
Obs#	Checklist	Description	
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*Note: Observation raised can be upgraded to a Minor Gap if not adequately addressed by the date of the next surveillance visit.

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Highlights of Close out visit (if applicable)	Dates	-
Not applicable		

Recommendations

Lik Shen Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. has demonstrated compliance with the Sarawak Standard Principles 5-6 for Chain of Custody and is recommended to receive a GFS Statement of Compliance and STLVS Certificate of Compliance by STIDC.

Gap(s)/Observation(s) identified in this assessment should be addressed before the next surveillance visit. Actions to close gap(s)/observation(s) include:

Gap 001/2022 (minor) Outstanding - Checklist 5.3.2: Lik Shen Sawmill shall include attendance records, agendas and photos for annual training on work safety and equipment for workers in Mill 1 and Mill 2.

The next surveillance visit will be scheduled for November 2024.

End of Summary Report