Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

Organisation	Tropical Wood Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (951291-U)		Reference #	GFSSBH 004-570
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Statements			
Audit Statement #	GFS 135 WTP		
Issuance Date	06 November 2023	Expiration Date	05 November 2024

Assessment Details	
Company Type	Sawmill
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: JP(D)PS001/19(B01), KON(DPS)014/12(KK)
Product Group	Sawn timber
Source of Material	Sabah, Malaysia.
Species	Parashorea spp. (White seraya), Shorea spp. (Red seraya, Yellow seraya), Neolamarckia cadamba (Laran), Octomeles sumatrana (Binuang), Shorea pauciflora (Oba suluk), Other Timber (OT)
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Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of Tropical Wood Plantation Sdn. Bhd. to the criteria within the Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System (TLAS) Principle 5 - Mill Operations and Principle 6 - Trade and Customs standards. Compliance is defined when the organization demonstrates that there is no non-compliance to any applicable criteria. Non-compliance to the Sabah Legality Standard occurs when the organization does not comply with 1 or more criteria. Non-compliance must be formally addressed prior to certification or within 2 months following a surveillance assessment.

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 field verification under the assessment. Auditor's 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:

Tropical Wood Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (Tropical Wood Plantation) is registered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with registration # 951291-U. Tropical Wood Plantation produces sawn timber for the local market only.

Tropical Wood Plantation is under a new management, Pantas Wijaya Sdn. Bhd since 22 June 2023. Thus, outstanding minor gaps in November 2022 are not applicable.

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Tropical Wood Plantation does not engage any other company to provide or manufacture product.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From June 2023 to October 2023, Tropical Wood Plantation purchased raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
Azam Surianiaga Sdn. Bhd.	SFMLA 02/2018	Round logs	Kota Marudu	GFS 171 LVS (12/03/2024)	Low
Rakyat Berjaya Sdn. Bhd. (Kinetic Journey Sdn. Bhd.)	SFMLA 09/97	Round logs	Tongod	GFS 130 LVS (03/09/2024)	Low

Note: *GFS risk evaluation is based on the risk matrix for Sabah TLAS (VL) materials & products.

Summary Results:

(Major gap = 0, Minor gap = 1, Observation = 0)

GAPs: Year 2023				
GAP #	Туре	Checklist	Status	Description
001/2023	minor	5.3.2 5.3.7 5.3.8	New	November 2023: There is no evidence of safety and fire training for workers.

*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2023		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
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Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)	Date: -
Not applicable	

Recommendations

Tropical Wood Plantation Sdn. Bhd. has demonstrated compliance with the Sabah Standard Principles 5-6 for Chain of Custody and is recommended to receive a GFS Statement of Compliance and Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System Compliance Certificate (TLAS-CC) from SFD.

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

Gap 001/2023 (minor) – Checklist 5.3.2, 5.3.7, 5.3.8: Tropical Wood Plantation shall conduct safety and fire training annually for workers.

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for November 2024.

End of Summary Report