Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

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Statements			
Audit Statement #	GFS 117 WTP		
Issuance Date	04 December 2023	Expiration Date	03 December 2024

Assessment Details				
Company Type	Sawmill, Moulding, Furniture, Wood Preservation Plant, Exporter			
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: JP(T)TW001/17(X49), JP(T)TW001/15(X07), FDS(TW)(S)010/2019(M), FDS(TW)(E)012/2019(M)			
Product Group	Sawn timber, Finger joint, Furniture (Doors)			
Source of Material	Sabah, Malaysia.			
Species	Parashorea spp. (White seraya), Shorea spp. (Red seraya, Yellow seraya, Melapi), Sapotaceae (Nyatoh), Eugenia spp. (Obah), Lithocarpus & Quercus (Mempening), Hopea sangal (Gagil), Cotylelobium spp. (Resak batu), Dialium indum (Keranji), Castanopsis motleyana (Berangan), Other timber (OT)			
Lead Assessor	Sandra George			
Assessor(s)	Tommy Olui, Vanessa Abin			
FDS Staff	Mazlan Embun (PPD Tawau)			

Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of Caslink 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:

Caslink Sdn. Bhd. (Caslink) is registered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with registration # 26187-M. Caslink produces sawn timber and furniture (doors) for the local market and exports them to South Korea, Japan and Taiwan.

The previous assessment was conducted in October 2022 that resulted in 0 gap(s) and 2 observation(s) (Report #: GFSSBH 004-415).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Caslink engages Borneo Moulding Sdn. Bhd. as their subcontractor to provide kiln dry service.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From October 2022 to October 2023, Caslink purchased raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk*
Rakyat Berjaya Sdn. Bhd. (Usahawan Borneo Greenwood Sdn. Bhd.)	SFMLA 09/97	Round log	Kalabakan	GFS 096 LVS (23/07/2024)	Low
Sapulut Forest Development Sdn. Bhd.	SFMLA 04/97	Round log	Tibow	GFS 025 LVS (09/07/2024)	Low
Unikarya Trading Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)TW003/15(X04)	Round log	Tawau	GFS 190 WTP (12/02/2024)	Low
Hap Seng Property Investment Sdn. Bhd. (Chuan Huan Trading Sdn. Bhd.)	JP(T)TW002/05(B01)	Round log	Tawau	GFS 216 WTP (27/08/2024)	Low
Rakyat Berjaya Sdn. Bhd. (Kinsasynergy Sdn. Bhd./Terus Jadi Sdn. Bhd.)	SFMLA 09/97	Round log	Kinabatangan	GFS 178 LVS (23/04/2024)	Low
Binuou Bte Antaim & Kikian Gawar	JPHTN/NNN700- 2/4/1006(68)	Round log	Nabawan	-	High
Kalabakan Borneo Resources Sdn. Bhd.	SFMLA 04/2018	Round log	Serudong	Non-Compliance	High

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#	Type	Checklist	Status	Description		
001/2023	Obs 001- 2022	5.2.2	Raised to minor	October 2022: The SFD did not consistently stamp the removal pass as "Used" for Rakyat Berjaya Sdn. Bhd. (Golden Borneo Palm/Timjadi Sdn. Bhd.) November 2023: Removal pass issued under Kalabakan Borneo Resources was stamped with "Sabah TLAS CC" stamp.		

^{*}Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2023				
Obs #	Checklist	Description		
002-2022	5.3.2	October 2022:		
Addressed		One worker did not wear shoe.		
		November 2023:		
		Workers at the mill were observed wearing appropriate PPE.		

Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)		Date: -	
Not	applicable		

Recommendations

Caslink 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 5.2.2: SFD shall ensure removal passes for log sources from non-compliant Sabah TLAS supplier are not stamped as "Sabah TLAS CC."

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for November 2024.

End of Summary Report