

Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

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Statements

Audit Statement #	GFS 276 WTP		
Issuance Date	03 April 2023	Expiration Date	02 April 2024

Assessment Details

Company Type	Importer
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: FDS(KK)(I)007/2020
Product Group	Blockboard, Plywood
Source of Material	Peninsular & Sabah, Malaysia.
Species	Mixed species from natural forests
Lead Assessor	Priera Bagang
Assessor(s)	Sandra George
FDS Staff	Jasni Rapiee (KPPM Kota Kinabalu)

Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of Le Viano 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:

Le Viano Sdn. Bhd. (Le Viano) is registered in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia, with registration # 1040636-P. Le Viano imports blockboards and plywood from Indonesia and Vietnam for building materials & hardware for the local market.

The previous assessment was conducted in April 2022 that resulted in 2 gap(s) and 0 observation(s) (Report #: GFSSBH 004-332).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Le Viano Trading is not associated with other companies to manufacture products. However, Le Viano Trading has a verbal agreement with Asia Shipping & Forwarding (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. as its forwarding agent to handle documentation for import activities.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From March 2022 to March 2023, Le Viano purchased raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
Veracity Corporation Sdn. Bhd.	JP(N)KG001/00(X02)R	Plywood	Keningau	GFS 053 WTP (18/09/2023)	Low
C & H Enterprise	FDS(SS)(I)038/2019	Plywood	Sandakan	GFS 235 WTP (26/06/2023)	Low
Kim Guan Impex Sdn. Bhd.	FDS(KK)(I)021/2019	Plywood	Kota Kinabalu	GFS 258 WTP (15/01/2024)	Low
Lee Tat Lee Hardware Sdn. Bhd.	Not available	Blockboard	Peninsular Malaysia	-	High

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

Summary Results:

(Major gap = 0, Minor gap = 3, Observation = 3)

GAPs: Year 2023				
GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
001/2022	Minor	5.2.4	Outstanding	April 2022: There is no evidence that the COC procedure has been established to define trading activities related to Sabah TLAS requirements. March 2023: Le Viano has yet to establish and document a Chain of Custody (COC) system for its import and trading activities.
002/2022	Minor	5.3.2 5.3.7 5.3.8	Outstanding	April 2022: No training on safety and fire was conducted by the company from 2021 to 2022. March 2023: Le Viano has yet to conduct safety and fire training.
001/2023	Minor	6.2.4	New	March 2023: Le Viano did not conduct a Risk Assessment for imported products from Peninsular Malaysia.

*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2023		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
001-2023	6.2.3 6.2.6	March 2023: Le Viano did not keep a copy of the SFD import approval in its office.
002-2023	6.2.8 6.3.1	March 2023: Le Viano did not keep a copy of the inspection fee receipt in its office.
003-2023	6.3.2 6.3.3	March 2023: Le Viano did not keep a copy of the removal pass in its office.

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

Recommendations

Le Viano 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 001/2022 (Minor) Outstanding – Checklist 5.2.4: Le Viano shall establish a documented Chain of Custody to comply with Sabah TLAS requirements based on its import and trading activities.

Gap 002/2022 (Minor) Outstanding – Checklist 5.3.2, 5.3.7, 5.3.8: Le Viano shall conduct safety and fire training annually.

Gap 001/2023 (Minor) – Checklist 6.2.4: Le Viano shall conduct risk assessments for all imported products.

Observation 001-2023 – Checklist 6.2.3, 6.2.6: Le Viano shall keep copies of the SFD import approval in its office.

Observation 002-2023 – Checklist 6.2.8, 6.3.1: Le Viano shall keep copies of the inspection fee receipt in its office.

Observation 003-2023 – Checklist 6.3.2, 6.3.3: Le Viano shall keep copies of the removal pass in its office.

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for March 2024.

End of Summary Report