

Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

Organisation	Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. 198301015783 (111175-A)	Reference #	GFSSBH 004-630
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Statements

Audit Statement #	GFS 274 WTP		
Issuance Date	25 March 2024	Expiration Date	24 March 2025

Assessment Details

Company Type	Exporter
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: FDS(KK)(E)053/2019
Product Group	Sawn timber
Source of Material	Sabah, Malaysia.
Species	<i>Shorea inappendiculata</i> (Selangan Batu), <i>Dryobalanops spp.</i> (Kapur), <i>Shorea spp.</i> (Red Seraya, Yellow Seraya), <i>Vatica spp.</i> (Resak), <i>Shorea inappendiculata</i> (Selangan batu/Balau), <i>Shorea spp.</i> (Yellow & Red Seraya), <i>Dryobalanops spp.</i> (Kapur), <i>Dipterocarpus spp.</i> (Keruing), <i>Parashorea spp.</i> (White Seraya), <i>Syzygium spp.</i> (Jambu-jambu) <i>Sapotaceae spp.</i> (Nyatoh), <i>Shorea pauciflora</i> (Oba suluk), Other Timber (OT).
Lead Assessor	Vanessa Abin (Acting lead)
Assessor(s)	Glory Linggou
FDS Staff	-

Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) 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 Timber & Trading (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. [Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah)] is registered in Sabah, with registration #: 198301015783 (111175-A) as a holding company for Bonusoon Wood Sdn. Bhd. and Cymasun Trading Sdn. Bhd. Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) has had no export activities since 2019.

The previous assessment was conducted in March 2023 that resulted in 0 gap(s) and 0 observation(s) (Report #: GFSSBH 004-482).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) associated with several companies, which includes Cymasun Trading Sdn. Bhd., East Asia Agencies (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd., Tropical Pulpwood (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd., Tropical Pulpwood Sdn. Bhd., Uniqueland Development Sdn. Bhd., East Asia Aluminum (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd., Mega Uni-Consortium Sdn. Bhd., and Nuri Harapan Sdn. Bhd.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From February 2023 to February 2024, Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) did not purchase raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
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Note: *GFS risk evaluation is based on the risk matrix for Sabah TLAS (VL) materials & products.

Summary Results:

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

GAPs: Year 2024				
GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
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*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2024		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
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Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)	Date
Not applicable	

Recommendations
<p>Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) 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.</p> <p>The next surveillance visit is scheduled for March 2025.</p>

End of Summary Report