Wood Sourcing Policy

Futamura Chemical UK Ltd commits to sourcing and utilising sustainable natural resources wherever possible. We will ensure our use of sustainable natural resources by:

- Specifying that all bought in wood based materials and bio-based pulp originates from forest or other sources that practice Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) practices or their equivalent. We define this as working practices that are economically viable, environmentally responsible and socially beneficial, accept the principles of continuous improvement and use third party certification to verify compliance.

- We will not accept our suppliers knowingly using illegally harvested or traded wood or bio based fibre in violation of any applicable local forest or land management requirements or other applicable international laws and regulations.

- We expect our pulp suppliers to have their own policies in place to ensure no fibre is sourced from High Conservation Value forests, areas that have been identified and mapped as no harvest areas. We do not support the clearance of high conservation value landscapes or the recent conversion of natural woodlands into plantations.

- We fully respect human and traditional rights and expect all our supply chain, down to forest or grower to make the same commitment.

- Independent evidence of Sustainable Forest or Resource Management and these principles is required. We ask that our pulp suppliers hold third party Chain of Custody certification and have systems in place to ensure their fibre suppliers’ forestry operations or procurement activities are certified by third party forest certification systems.

- Where no certification exists, or the supply chain is extremely complex, we reserve the right to ask our supplier to undergo third party verification of the sustainability of supply.

We will include this requirement in our supplier selection and performance evaluation processes. This commitment is reviewed annually and is part of our Integrated Management Review and is communicated to all our staff at time of induction and through the company intranet.

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