Public Notification Dai Duong Forest Products JSC

Asia Pulp & Paper (APP) is planning to accept:

Name of Supplier : Dai Duong Forest Products JSC
Business Type : Pulpwood Supplier (Chip Wood)
Business Location : Thanh Hoa Province, Vietnam
Supply Scheme : Continuous Supply

Dai Duong Forest Products JSC has completed the risk assessment process under Asia Pulp & Paper (APP) Supplier Evaluation and Risk Assessment (SERA). Prior to the submission to the Joint Steering Committee (JSC) for final approval and inclusion into APP's Approved Suppliers List, APP is conducting a Stakeholder Notification process to address any concerns that stakeholders might have on the inclusion of **Dai Duong Forest Products JSC** into APP's suppliers list.

The stakeholder notification will be opened on **07 – 20 November 2022**

Stakeholders who would like to raise any concern are invited to send their concern to:
Email : sustainability@app.co.id
Subject : Stakeholder Notification – Feedback on DD

Additional Notes:

1. Supplier's certification

a. Certificate Number : SGSHK-COC-370398 / SGSHK-CW-370398
b. Certificate Scope : FSC COC/CW
c. Expiry Date : 06 Feb 2021 – 05 Feb 2026

2. Summary of SERA result:

No	Indicators	Information	Remarks
1	Country	- Vietnam - Corruption Perception Index (CPI) of Viet Nam 2022 is 42 - There is no UN Security ban on timber exports from Vietnam - Dai Duong Forest Products JSC has an FSC Certificate.	https://www.transparency.org/en/countries/vietnam
2	Tree Species	*Acacia auriculiformis, Acacia Hybrid, Acacia mangium*	
3	Third party certification/verification	Covered by: **FSC Certificate** SGSHK-COC-370398 SGSHK-CW-370398 Issued by: SGSHK Validity: 06 Feb 2021 – 05 Feb 2026 The validity of the FSC certificate has been confirmed on the FSC website.	https://search.fsc.org/en/certificate/a024y00000m4vX3AAI/
4	CoC System	Covered by: **FSC Certificate** SGSHK-COC-370398 SGSHK-CW-370398 Issued by: SGSHK Validity: 06 Feb 2021 – 05 Feb 2026 The validity of the FSC certificate has been confirmed on the FSC website.	
5	Legality Compliance	- Business Registration 2802615442 First Registration: Jan 11, 2019 Second Registration: Apr 27, 2021 - Whole supplier of Dai Duong Forest Product is household. All households have legal red books and land allocation contracts in accordance with Vietnamese law. There are no	

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		issues of land use rights and boundary disputes were recorded. - Dai Duong Forest Product has sent supervisors to check periodically or irregularly to determine the daily harvesting volume and the whole harvesting process in the area where the application has been filed. In addition, during the exploitation process, there is also control by local forest rangers to determine the exploitation boundary, to avoid the confusion of other unsuitable raw materials.	
6	Protection of High Conservation Value	- The source of timber that the company buys are from planted forests. The topography of planting, care and exploitation is not complicated and does not affect the ecological area. - In Vietnam, households' forests are far away from HCV to protect forest resources. - In the surveyed areas in consultation with stakeholders, there is no management of natural forest area with HCV4 value. The land area allocated to households is not located in the natural forest area and is clearly demarcated on the map. - Planting is done right after harvesting to reduce the time left for bare land to help limit soil erosion. Planting acacia hybrid improves soil better. - When harvesting, the Dai Duong Forest Product appoints staff to monitor and supervise forest exploitation activities regularly to ensure that it does not affect the environment.	
7	Company's respect to traditional civil or human rights	- There is no distinction in rights, interests and obligations between people from different ethnic groups, people between ethnic groups live in harmony, without conflict. - The monitoring did not detect any conflicts of interest between people of different ethnicities. - When harvesting, Dai Duong Forest Product appoints staff to monitor and supervise harvesting activities to ensure legal labor rights for Kinh and ethnic minorities, to use legal labor without discrimination. oppression and exploitation of labor. - No finding any conflicts related to land ownership of ethnic minorities or indigenous groups with forest owners who were allocated land; There is no dispute over the boundaries of the land plots of different ethnic forest owners. - Ethnic minorities have the custom of swearing, holding festivals according to local superstitious customs many times a year, and have sacred areas such as sacred forests and	

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		sacred springs near where they live. This custom is respected by all stakeholders.	
8	Species protection as listed within the IUCN red list of Critical Endangered Species and Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES)	The company has collected all relevant evidence and documents to verify that the sale of acacia trees is not on the list of rare and precious animals under CITES.	
9	Compliance to ILO Core Conventions (Child Labor, Freedom of Association, Forced Labor, and Discrimination)	The government does not discriminate between ethnic and Kinh people. Stakeholder consultation has been carried out. Dai Duong Forest Product guarantee traditional rights, use labor. Local action, no discrimination.	
10	Company's respect to safety and health for forest worker	Covered by: **FSC Certificate** SGSHK-COC-370398 SGSHK-CW-370398 Issued by: SGSHK Validity: 06 Feb 2021 – 05 Feb 2026 The validity of the FSC certificate has been confirmed on the FSC website. The household's planting, tending and harvesting of planted forests is done mainly by theirown family's labor or by hiring households together. The household pays social insurance and health insurance by themselves and equip themselves with occupational safety suitable for their jobs. Before exploiting, the household must have a report on the use of labor when exploiting, committing to ensure that the use of legal labor is mentioned in the contract.	
11	No introduction of genetically modified organism	Covered by: **FSC Certificate** SGSHK-COC-370398 SGSHK-CW-370398 Issued by: SGSHK Validity: 06 Feb 2021 – 05 Feb 2026 The validity of the FSC certificate has been confirmed on the FSC website. Based on FSC-CNRA for Vietnam (FSC-CNRA-VN V1-0 EN 2017-07-25 approved on 25 July 2017: There are a number of legal instruments in place in Vietnam regulating the use GMO (Decision No. 11/2006/QD-TTg, Decree No. 69/2010/ND-CP, Circular69/2009/TT-BNNPTNT, Circular72/2009/TT BNNPTNT, Circular21/2012/TT-BKHCN, Circular 8/2013/TT-BTNMT and Circular 2/2014/TT-BNNPTNT. The legislation does not include a ban for commercial use of GMO (trees). Research has not revealed any evidence of unauthorized use of GM trees, or any commercial use of GM trees. There are currently no reports of any trials of GM trees in Vietnam. The legislation requires licenses for commercial use of GM trees, but no licenses have been issued to date for GM trees	https://open.fsc.org/entities/publication/68d8de34-f9ca-4658-8c76-15f11e6874c5

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12	Company, or any of its associated company, convert natural forest to other land use (plantation forest, agriculture, etc) after February 1st, 2013	Logging ban has been in place since 1997, covering natural forests in most Vietnamese provinces. In 2012, the Prime Minister closed all natural forests to harvesting, apart from companies managing FSC certified natural forests.	