

EUDR Notification Confirmation To All Our Purchase Wood Suppliers

Recently the European Union (EU) implemented new regulations affecting all products containing wood fibre that are sold in the EU. The regulation is the "<u>European Union</u> <u>Deforestation Regulation</u>" (often referred to as EUDR). The regulation requires companies to confirm none of the wood fiber in the forest products sold into the EU come from "deforestation" which is defined in the regulation as "the conversion of forest to agricultural use".

Under the EUDR forestry companies must provide EU authorities with mapped locations for all harvested areas from all land ownerships associated with the forest products sold into the EU. This includes state/provincial government lands, industrial freehold lands, private woodlots, etc. This geolocation data will be used by EU authorities to audit compliance and forestry companies found to be non-compliant may face significant penalties.

For this reason, J.D. Irving, Limited (JDI) has modified our *Responsible Fiber Procurement Policy* (attached). As well, JDI has incorporated *new requirements in our contracts for purchase wood, purchase stumpage, wood chips and mill residues*. These include:

- 1. Suppliers must provide JDI with geographic locations for the areas harvested to supply the wood fiber, in a format acceptable to JDI. Loads without this location data, or with incorrect data, will not be processed for payment until corrected.
- 2. Suppliers must confirm with landowners and declare to JDI that the landowner(s) they will be operating on do not intend to convert the harvested areas to agricultural use.

If you have any c	uestion or concerns	, please contact your	JDI buyer.
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Please print you requirement (in		sign confirming your	understanding of the above
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RESPONSIBLE FIBER PROCUREMENT POLICY

J.D. Irving, Limited's objective is to ensure our fiber supply comes from environmentally responsible operations that comply with all applicable laws and regulations. We will encourage long term management planning, the use of environmentally and ecologically responsible forest practices, investments in silviculture, training and education, and support of our local communities.

The key principles of our procurement policy are:

- We will encourage environmentally responsible harvesting practices from our suppliers and support environmental and safety training for forest workers on operations where we procure fiber.
- 2. We will actively support responsible forest management on private woodlots.
- 3. We will identify where our fiber supply comes from.
- 4. We will require suppliers to declare if any fiber comes from an area being converted to agriculture.
- 5. We will support forest certification and report the proportion of fiber from certified land in our products.
- 6. We will encourage landowners to keep their land in forest use and maintain natural diversity.
- 7. We will not knowingly procure fiber that has been stolen or illegally acquired and will take action if we are aware of such instances.
- 8. We will not knowingly procure fibre from forests;
 - a. where laws, civil or traditional rights are being violated,
 - b. where endangered species or high conservation values are threatened,
 - c. being converted to stands of trees lacking natural characteristics,
 - d. of genetically modified trees.

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