Public Notification Letter

To: Interested Parties
From: SCS Global Services
Date: Monday 15th of January, 2018
Re: Notification of FSC® Controlled Wood Re- Evaluation Audit of Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd (VISY)

Summary:
Scientific Certification Systems Inc. t/a SCS Global Services (SCS) is conducting a Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) controlled wood (CW) re-evaluation audit of Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd (SCS-COC-003987) for wood harvested from third party softwood plantations in Central and South East New South Wales, ACT and North eastern Victoria. The audit will be conducted week commencing the 26th of February, 2018 at the company’s Paper mill in Tumut NSW and will include saw mills in the supply chain to Visy and plantation harvest locations located in the Braidwood and Tumbarumba regions of NSW and ACT.

As part of the FSC certification evaluation, SCS is currently seeking stakeholder input regarding the relevance, effectiveness or adequacy of the VISY Due Diligence System (DDS) to avoid material from unacceptable sources.

Scope and Certification Evaluation Process:
SCS Global Services (SCS), a FSC-accredited certification body based in Emeryville, California, will conduct this FSC CoC-CW evaluation audit.

The CoC-CW evaluation audit will assess the conformity of the organization’s CoC system according to FSC-STD-40-004v3.0 and the CW DDS to FSC-STD-40-005 v3.1. A copy of the standards are available from FSC (see below under additional information) or SCS upon request.

The scope of the VISY FSC CoC and CW certification includes softwood species sourced from third party sources.

The Evaluation Process Includes:

a) Public notification: distribution of the standard and solicitation of comments on the certification applicant;
b) Audit planning and document review;
c) Review of the certificate holders’ Due Diligence System (DDS) stakeholder consultation and control measures;
d) Field assessment: A representative sample of field sites and operations within the defined forest area are inspected by SCS auditors;
e) Reporting: A draft report describing the evaluation process, findings, and certification decision is produced;
f) Review and finalization of the report: The report is review and final certification decision made by an SCS Technical Associate
g) Certification decision: the final report and certification decision is conveyed to the applicant.
Call for Public Participation

SCS is seeking comments on the controlled wood source of Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd or other topics relevant to the FSC Controlled Wood Standard 40-005v3.1 against which they are being assessed. Comments can be submitted via email, standard mail, or facsimile to our Lead auditor or SCS representative whose details are listed below.

Your options for communicating your feedback to us are as follows:

- Meet with the SCS Lead Auditor during the fieldwork.
- Provide comments to the Lead Auditor via phone
- Submit written comments by mail, FAX or email to Nick Capobianco, SCS Australia representative

All comments and sources will be kept in strict confidence at the request of the commenter.

Dates

The evaluation audit is scheduled to begin Monday the 26\textsuperscript{th} of February, 2018.

SCS can make arrangements to speak with interested parties before, during and following the audit, and will be available to meet during the field verification, but it is preferred that comments are submitted before the field evaluation commences.

Evaluation Team

Mr. Graeme Lea – SCS FM, CW and COC Senior Lead Auditor.

Dispute Resolution Procedure

As provided by the FSC Interim Dispute Resolution Protocol and the SCS Forest Conservation Program Quality Manual, dispute resolution procedures are in place and available to interested parties at http://www.scsglobalservices.com/your-feedback

Additional Information

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Additional certificate holder information

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1. Geographical region of forests and areas used for field Verification audits

Private landowners in the Tumbarumba and ACT regions

For more specific geographic information refer to the document link under Visy Controlled Wood Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plan (below), or email carlie.porteous@visy.com.au

2. Plantation species:

Pinus radiata (Radiata pine)

3. Public Information provided by Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd

Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd has published its Due Diligence System including Controlled Wood Public Summary and other documents, which can be downloaded at the following links;

- Visy Pulp and Paper DDS Process Summary 2018

- Visy Controlled Wood Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plan 2018
  https://static1.squarespace.com/static/534fe620e4b0337f7ff5c5da/t/5a29d7c0d9297f444e7db35/1512691851714/VPP1206+Visy+Controlled+Wood+Risk+Assessment+and+Mitigation+Plan+2018.pdf

4. Approved CW risk assessment prepared by Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd

The company’s FSC CW risk assessment can be found at

http://fsc.force.com/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=00Pf300000nTpX0EAK

The Risk Assessment is required to be reviewed annually.

For a summary of High Conservation values identified by Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd, contact Carlie Porteous, carlie.porteous@visy.com.au

5. Areas of the Forest Supplying Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd Tumut Mill

Logs included in the company’s controlled wood program are harvested from third party plantation areas. (Refer to geographical region of forests nominated above.)


A copy of the FSC Standard to be used (FSC-STD-40-005 v3.1) can be requested from SCS, or found online at: https://au.fsc.org/en-au/standards/controlled-wood