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A. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to document conformance with the requirements of the LegalSource standard by SMARTT Timber Sales BV hereafter referred to as "Organisation". The report presents findings of LegalSource auditors, who have evaluated the Organisation's systems and performance against the applicable requirements. The sections below provide the audit conclusions and follow-up actions required by the Organisation.

Dispute resolution: If stakeholders have concerns or comments about the LegalSource standard or the auditing body, they are encouraged to contact their closest NEPCon regional office. Formal concerns and complaints should be sent in writing.

B. Scope

The LegalSource audit, report and certificate covers the following scope:

Report Type	
Report type:	Confidential

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Jurisdiction of primary legal entity:	The Netherlands
Primary Activity	Broker/trader without physical handling
Description of Organisation:	Import and distribution of softwood, especially for Dutch and Belgian markets.
	Products are rough and planed softwoods, spruce and pine both for timber shops, the packaging and timber industry. Imports are from Russia on a monthly basis and also from Norway. Organisation is both FSC and PEFC certified.

Certificate Scope	
Certificate Type	☑ Single site certificate
	☐ Group/ Multi-site certificate
Standards Evaluated:	☑ LegalSource Standard (LS-02) v2.1

	☐ NEPCon Generic Chain of Custody Standard (NC-STD-01)
	☐ NEPCon Generic Group & Multi-Site Standard (NC-STD-02)
Product scope:	Sawn wood
	Picea abies Pinus sylvestris Larix sibirica
	Origin: Russia, Norway
Changes to certificate scope since last audit:	N/A

Evaluation Process	
Audit team:	Tim Roelandts
	Tim Roelandts is auditor for NEPCon in the Netherlands and Belgium. Tim has a Master in international relations and is carrying out CoC audits since 2012. He passed FSC and LegalSource lead auditor courses since 2016.
Description of Audit Process:	Prior to the audit SMARTT Timber Sales B.V. (SMARTT) had submitted their Due Diligence system for sourcing of timber products, relevant legality documents and the audit reports of their suppliers.
	Due to Covid-19 restrictions a desk audit (Microsoft Teams) was carried out on 01/10/2020 (13.00-16.00) and covered the following:
	Opening meeting, audit program and scope
	2. Introduction by SMARTT to the organization and their Due Diligence system
	3. Evaluation of the documented procedures, including responsibilities, commitments made by the organization, procedures for internal monitoring and definition of product scope
	4. Evaluation of the general procedures for access to information, risk assessments and risk mitigation procedures adopted by SMARTT
	5. Evaluation of operational implementation of the DD system, including:
	a. Interview with staff involved in the operational implementation of the DD system
	b. Evaluation of a sample of supply chains and the implementation of the Due Diligence on the selected samples (access to information, risk assessment and risk mitigation)
	6. Closing meeting: presentation of LegalSource audit conclusions and discussions and follow-up.
	A wide range of documentation and records were reviewed during the audit, including the following (NEPCon DDS documents are used):
	- Handboek Stelsel van Zorgvuldigheidseisen
	- Staff Instruction Sheet
	- Legality Declaration for Suppliers
	- Supplier Consent and Information Form

	- Responsible Purchasing Policy
	- Letter for request of information
	During the audit a sample of consignments (both boat and truck loads) were selected for which SMARTT presented how their Due Diligence system had been implemented.
Actions taken by Organisation prior to report finalisation:	None
Notes for the next audit:	None

C. Audit Findings

Audit Conclusion:	
Organisation approved: No non-conformances issued	V
Organisation not approved:	
Additional comments:	

Non-Conformances

Non-conformance reports (NCRs) describe the non-conformances identified during audits. NCRs include defined timelines for the Organisation to demonstrate conformance. MAJOR non-conformances issued during assessments/reassessments shall be closed prior to issuance of the certificate. MAJOR non-conformances issued during annual audits shall be closed within the timeline specified in the NCR, or result in certificate suspension. Where applicable, all non-conformances against standard requirements are shown below:

None.

Observations

Observations (Obs) are issued for the early stages of a problem which does not in and of itself constitute a non-conformance, but which the auditor considers may lead to a future non-conformance if not addressed by the Organisation or where general improvements may be made. Where applicable, all observations are shown below:

None

D. Closed Non-Conformances

Closed Non-Conformances

This section indicates where the Organisation has adequately addressed non-conformances issued during or since the last audit.

Any non-conformances which cannot be closed remain open and appear in Section C (above). Failure to comply with a minor non-conformance results in the NCR being upgraded to major; the specified follow-up action is required by the Organisation or involuntary suspension will take place.

None