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# Scientific Certification Systems – Forest Conservation Program

# Forest Stewardship Council Chain of Custody Certification Report

for:

# Indiana Department of Natural Resources-Division of Forestry<sup>1</sup>

### SCS-COC-002041

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# **SECTION 1 – Company Wide Information**

PART 1A: Audit Specifications		
Audit Summary		
Audit Type:	x Evaluation Annual Surveillance Expansion of Scope Re-Evaluation Other	
Date(s) audit conducted:  July 29, 30, 31; Oct 28, 29		
Lead Auditor:	Franklin S. Judd	
SCS report reviewer:	Dana Katz	
Scope of Certificate:  As it should appear on the certificate.	Logging, hauling, and primary sawmill manufacturing.	
Language of Certificate    X   English   French   Other:   German   Spanish     Dutch   Portuguese		
Is the company certified against, or interested in, any other SCS Certification programs?  FSC Forest Management  Dual FSC - SFI Chain of Custody Certification  Material Content – Recycled Content  Indoor Air Quality  Sustainable Choice  Other:  Notes:		

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PART 1B: Certificate Specifications		
Type of Cert	tificate	
Type of certificate:		Standard Multi-Site X Group Per 40-003 Per 40-002
Number of sites included in certificate:  If more than one, complete Site Supplemental for each site, and attach a complete list of all sites in Appendix.  Undetermined at the time of audit; the maximum number of sites included in the contract is: 36 loggers/hauler and 30 small sawmills.		
Size Class and Summary of Processes  Company must disclose annual sales of all products containing wood fiber. This information is used for the purposes of calculating the AAF (Accreditation Administration Fee) for the FSC. The information is treated as confidential.		
Companywide AAF Class: In US Dollars	III: \$1,000,0 x IV: \$5,000,0	00 to \$1,000,000 000 to \$5,000,000 000 to \$25,000,000 0,000 to \$100,000,000
The scope of this certificate includes the following:	Trading Only:  Desk: Wholesale: Retail:  Manufacturing: x Primary: Secondary: Printing:	Trades in product without physical possession Distributes product with physical possession Sells to end-user with physical possession  Company uses round wood (logs) as inputs or pulp or paper milling Company does not use round wood as inputs nor does pulp or paper milling Secondary manufacturing of Printed Material
Standards Used in Assessment Check all that apply		
Current:	x FSC-STD-40-004 v x FSC-POL-40-002 FSC-STD-40-003 v FSC-STD-40-007 v	Policy on Group Certification  Multi-Site Standard  Controlled Wood

Supplemental Information for C	Certificates with Multiple Sites	N/A Skip section
Summary of the sites included in the certificate, by number of facilities, their relationship to each other, and their function: e.g. manufacturing, warehouse, retail outlets, etc.	Sites to be included will have fifteen of fe Site will either be loggers/haulers or sma located in the State of Indiana and be me Indiana Group Certificate.	all sawmills
Are there other sites owned by the Company that are not included on the certificate?  If yes, indicate whether company understands and acknowledges that certificate may not be used for material handled at uncertified locations.	No (all sites are covered) Yes  Remarks: This is a group certificate; N/A	
Are more than one legal entity covered by this certificate?  If yes, then this must be reviewed and approved by SCS staff.	No, all sites are part of one legal entity Yes, there are multiple legal entities, one holding company or with an idenstructure  X Yes, there are multiple ownerships, a been approved by SCS staff	all owned by ntical ownership
If more than one legal entity, provide here the AAF class for each entity covered by the scope of the certificate.  Place summary here, and detail if necessary in Appendix.	See At. 4, Contract between SCS and the	ne Group Entity.
How are site audits selected:	Standard Certificate All sites are audited Company conforms to  Multi-Site Certificate All sites are audited x Company conforms to 40-003 or 40-0 requirements. Central Office procedures, Interest Multi-Site/ Group Administration are satisfactory a employ risk-based sampling.	002 sampling ternal Audits, and
If risk-based sampling, how many sites were selected for audits based on SCS procedures?	Central Office plus up to 66 sites, but fina undetermined at the time of audit.	al number
List here, or indicate in an annexed list of sites, all of the sites audited: Include Additional Site Supplemental report for each site audited.	None, but the list of audited and current smaintained by SCS and the Group Entity Supplemental Site reports produced.	

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### **PART 1C: Overview of Company**

The Group Entity is State of Indiana, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry (DOF). Within Indiana, there are 180,000 acres of FSC certified Indiana State Forests (state owned). Additionally, there are approximately 500,000 acres of privately owned "Classified" forests which are in the process of becoming FSC certified; they have undergone an FM audit by SCS in October, 2008, with initial positive results. These forests have previously been certified under the ATF (American Tree Farm) system.

The DOF has determined that to supply the market for the FSC certified timber in these forests, a network of FSC CoC loggers/haulers and small sawmills must be FSC CoC certified. These companies harvest and perform the primary processing on most of the timber coming from the FSC certified (and additional soon to be certified) lands. Since the bulk of all these entities employ fifteen or fewer employees, the State requested SCS to develop a proposal to establish a Group Certificate for these smaller firms, with the Indiana DOF serving as the Group Entity. SCS did prepare a proposal, which has been accepted in the form of a State of Indiana contract to certify this group of small loggers/haulers and small wood processors.

The loggers/haulers must bid on DOF timber sales. It is designated in state contracts that all timber in the sale is FSC certified. Timber will be harvested according to the terms of the contract. Loggers and haulers will deliver the FSC logs to receiving sawmills, concentration yards, veneer mills, and other customers. When delivering to FSC CoC customers, all shipping and invoice documentation will be compliant with this standard and the firms FSC CoC procedures.

The small sawmills will receive all FSC logs according to the established Group Member procedures. All logs will be stored segregated from all other non-certified logs. Volume, processing, and conversion documentation for all FSC production will be recorded as specified in the Group Member procedures. Most logs will be sawn into lumber; some logs may be resold to other yards or veneer log buyers. All shipments and sales will be documented with compliant transportation and invoicing documentation.

Some sawmills may use outsourced contractors for the specific purpose of kiln-drying lumber and possibly surfacing or treating. This will be covered by Outsourcing Contracts, as specified in the Group Member procedures. Group Members will not be on-product labeling.

# General description of Company, their history, products and processes:

The description should summarize the products on the company FSC product group list, and describe the process from the point at which the company takes possession of certified material, through inventory, processing, outsourcing (if any), manufacture, labeling, and sale up to the point that certified product leaves the company's control.

**Note:** If procedures vary for different set of sites, describe independently.

# **SECTION 2: Conformance to Standard**

Section 2 provides information about the activities undertaken by company at the site level. This section is designed to demonstrate systematic conformance to the FSC-STD-40-004 v2. Complete the following information as it applies to the primary site that is associated with the certificate. If the company takes physical possession of FSC material at more than one facility, then the Additional Site supplemental must be completed for each additional facility audited.

Sections of FSC-STD-40-004 v2.0 are referenced below.

The	e following S	ection 2 applies to:
	A standard co	ertificate with only one site
	Site # 1 of Attach	of a standard certificate Additional Site Supplemental(s) for other sites
		Office or primary facility of a multi-site certificate Site Supplemental(s) for other sites
X	•	dministrator of a Group Certificate Site Supplemental(s) for other sites

PA	RT 2A: Site-Specific Information
Site name and location: If same as corporate-level information, write "same."	Same
Contact person on-site: If this is the same person as the overall COC administrator, write "same".	Carl Hauser
Does this contact person have overall responsibility for COC	Findings: Ref. At. 1
program administration? Std. Ref. 1.1.1	x Yes No
Type of Facility: e.g. Sawmill, Paper mill, Lumber Broker, Wholesaler, Retailer, Distribution Facility, Warehouse, Paper Converter, Printer	Group Entity central office.
Product Categories of wood/ fiber/paper purchased by site: e.g. logs, pulp wood, green lumber, KD lumber, MDF, plywood, molding, furniture, chips, pulp, paper, semi-finished goods	Sales of logs from Indiana State Forests are contracted at this site.
Approximate quantity of all wood/ fiber/paper purchased and sold by site over previous 12 months (evaluation audit): Include units: volume, dry weight, or number of pieces as appropriate.	Approx. Quantity Purchased: None  Approx. Quantity Sold: 12 Million Board Feet, Doyle scale (Sales of the Group Entity, not of the Group Certification).  N/A, surveillance audit
Approximate quantity of FSC	Approx. Quantity Purchased:
wood/ fiber/paper purchased and sold by site over previous 12 months (surveillance audit): Include units: volume, dry weight, or number of pieces as appropriate.	Approx. Quantity Sold:
Number of workers, including contractors Indicate if this is companywide or for one site only.	DOF employment is 176, this is state wide.

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Name and certificate code of <u>all</u> FSC suppliers:	SCS-COC-FM/COC 00099N (of Group entity)	
Other comments about site:	This is an office, the site of the Group Entity central office.	

	PART 2B: Quality Systems		
Documented Control S	ystem		
Company maintains written procedure/work instructions (Documented Control System) which covers all elements of the COC system.  Ref Cit. 1.2.1	Findings: Ref. At. 2, Group Member DCS		
Personnel are assigned for each procedure and this information is current.  Ref. Cit. 1.2.2	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 1. Quality Management 1.1 and Ap. B-1 FS CoC Group Member Procedures for Quality Control.		
Training			
Names and titles of staff interviewed in the audit:	Jack Seifert, State Forester, State of Indiana, DOF Carl Hauser, Forest Certification Coordinator, State of Indiana, DOF Approximately 175 other personnel attended training seminars; Carl Hauser has the lists of attendees.		
Does staff demonstrate sufficient awareness of the chain of custody procedures relevant to their position? Ref Cit. 1.1.2	Findings: The staff has successfully undergone FSC FM/CoC audits previously, and is fully aware of CoC procedures relevant to their position.		
The COC administrator maintains records of staff training. Ref Cit. 1.3.1 and 1.3.2.	Findings: Ref. At. 2, Quality Management 1.3 Training; and At. 1, Ap.B-1, records of training.		
Recordkeeping			
Records are/will be retained for at least five years. Ref Cit. 1.4	x Yes No Findings: Ref. At. 2, Quality Management 1.4 Records.		
How are records maintained? e.g. computer query, paper files, within individual departments, prepared for auditor in advance of audit.	The DOF maintains all records on its computer system and in paper files. Individual Group Members will establish paper files for all FSC transactions and, if available to that group member, maintain supporting information in their computer system.		

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Part 2C: Material Sourcing  For evaluation audits, indicate whether the company understands these requirements and has appropriate procedures/systems in place			
Description of company procedures for purchasing: e.g. Generation of Purchase Orders Post-consumer reclaimed material inputs	Group Members will be purchasing either directly from the Indiana DOF by contract, or from loggers/haulers harvesting FSC Indiana state timber through purchase agreements. Ref. At. 2, 3. Material Sourcing 3.1 Input Specifications.		
Company maintains a record of all suppliers including:  a) Name and contact b) Product type c) Material category d) CoC or CW code (if applicable)	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 3. Material Sourcing 3.2, Supplier Validation.		
Company periodically verifies the validity of suppliers' FSC certificates.	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 3. Material Sourcing 3.2 Supplier Validation.		
Purchase orders, receiving documents, and/or vendor invoices were reviewed, and contain sufficient information to ensure the integrity of the Chain of Custody, and associated claims.  Indicate level of compliance and which documents were reviewed.	Documents Reviewed: Contract for timber purchase from the State of Indiana, DOF At. 6; and Bid Request for the timber purchase from the State of Indiana, At. 5. CAR 2008.1, Timber not designated as FSC certified and FSC Claim not included on either to Bid or Contract.  Observations: Contract specification in the State of Indiana, DOF contract are sufficient to ensure the integrity of the FSC CoC system and associated claim (FSC Pure). CAR 2008.1.		
Does/will the company use non- FSC certified inputs in FSC products? This pertains to wood/fiber/paper products only. Attach appropriate checklists. Ref. Cit. 3.3	X No, all wood/fiber/paper in product is FSC Certified   Yes, verifies reclaimed material per FSC-STD-40-007 (checklist attached)   Yes, FSC Controlled Wood is purchased from vendors   Yes, controls non-FSC certified material per FSC-STD-40-005 (checklist attached)   Yes, minor components of product are not FSC-certified (see Part 3E)   Observations: All timber addressed in the system is FSC pure, with no uncertified inputs.		
Does/will the company generate raw material on site for use in FSC Project Groups?	Yes x No  If yes, describe:		
Is the company correctly identifying the FSC claim for material generated on site?  Ref. Cit. 3.4.1 (a, b) and 3.4.2	Findings: Ref. At 2, 2 Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.1. DOF contract and bid forms, however, do not: <b>CAR 2008.1</b> .		

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PART 2D: Receipt and Storage of Material  For evaluation audits, indicate whether the company understands these requirements and has appropriate procedures/systems in place				
Description of company procedures for receiving: Material quantity, quality, Material Category with specific FSC percentage or credit claim if applicable, and supplier COC number. Ref Cit. 4.1.1	Each Group Member will set up its own rece stated in At. 2, 4. Material Receipt and Stora compliant with the standard as audited by th	ge. This must be fully		
Description of Company inventory system as it applies to FSC materials: Including computer and/or non-computer tracking systems. Ref Cit. 4.2.1	Each Group Member must comply with the requirements for Receiving, At. 2, 4. Material Receipt and Storage, and 4.1 Identification of Input: af.			
Description of segregation procedures or marks (to be) used to track certified product and associated claims: Ref Cit. 4.2.1	rocedures or marks (to be) Each Group Member must develop a system to clearly identify a sed to track certified product segregate all FSC logs and lumber: Ref. At. 2, 4. Material Recein and Storage 4.2 Segregation of FSC Material.			
Do inputs arrive already labeled with FSC logos or with the logos of competing programs? If so, does company verify the claim, remove incorrect FSC labels, and remove labels of non-FSC forestry conformity assessment schemes? Ref Cit. 4.3	Yes x No  If yes, describe company procedure:			
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PART 2E: Outsourcing  Outsourcing agreements must be in place if Company elects to use off-site subcontractors to process or handle certified material. Outsource facilities may not take legal ownership of the certified wood/paper product, but generally take physical possession. Examples of outsource facilities include commercial warehouses, kiln dryers, molding facilities, subcontracted printers, binders, and fulfillment centers.  N/A  Review requirements with new clients, then skip section.				
Description of outsourcing, including number of current outsourcers:  The only outsourcing included in the Group Certificate will be t kiln-drying of rough hardwood lumber as sawn by sawmills, an subsequent surfacing and/or treating. No current outsourced contractors have yet been engaged; Initial Evaluation. Ref. At. Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.2 Outsourcing; and 12 Outsourcing 12.1-12.7.		vn by sawmills, and rent outsourced valuation. Ref. At. 2,		
Name and contact details of all relevant contractors:	N/A Initial Evaluation.			
List any outsource facilities visited as part of this year's audit:	N/A Initial Evaluation			

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Overall assessment of Risk:	Company outsources a wide range of production Contractor applies FSC labels to material Contractor ships direct to customer Contractors are across national borders  Assessment of risk: There is no risk to the FSC Chain of Custody. All lumber to be kiln-dried by contractors will be stickered, dried, and prepared without any co-mingling with other lumber products at that site. Contractors may ship directly to end customers, and that is determined at the individual Group Member Level.	
Are there signed outsourcing agreements on file for all contractors on FSC jobs (current and over previous year, if relevant)? Ref Cit. 12.1.c	Findings: Ref. At. 2, Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.2 Outsourcing; and Ap. B-12 CoC Certification Outsourcing Agreement.	
Does the company maintain ownership of material throughout processing? Ref Cit. 12.1 a, b	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 12 Outsourcing 12.1.  x Yes No	
Procedures for outsourced processing are covered by the company's Documented Control System?  Note that if the outsourced company manufactures product, then the certificate holder is considered a manufacturer for the purposes of AAF. Ref. Cit. 12.1.d	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 2. Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.2 Outsourcing; and 12, Outsourcing 12.1-12.7, and Ap. B-12, CoC Certification Outsourcing Agreement.	
The contractor/outsourcer has internal controls to ensure traceability, and written records are maintained? Ref. Cit. 12.2.1	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 12. Outsourcing 12.1 Preconditions for Outsourcing and 12.2 Maintaining traceability and paper trails; and Ap. B-12, CoC Certification Outsourcing Agreement.  Yes No	
Responsibility for logo use and invoicing is maintained by certificate holder?	Findings: Ref. AT. 1, 12. Outsourcing 12.5 Labeling; and Ap. B-12, CoC certification Outsourcing Agreement.	
PART 2F: Volume Control  For evaluation audits, indicate whether the company understands these requirements and has appropriate procedures/systems in place		
For manufacturers (includes printers), does/will the company track conversion factors (e.g. spoilage, cut-off) for each FSC Product Group or FSC job. Ref. Cit. 5.1.1	x Yes No N/A, explain: Findings: Ref. At. 2, 5. Volume Control 5.1 Conversion factors.	

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The company has material accounting records for each FSC Product Group or FSC job, to ensure that the quantities sold with FSC claims are compatible with the input quantities, categories, percentage or credit claims and conversion factors.  Input Records must include at least:  a) Invoice references b) Quantities (volume or weight) c) Material category and percentage or credit claim, if applicable  Output Records must include at least: a) Invoice references b) Quantities (volume or weight) c) FSC claim d) Information to identify the product item in invoices e) Claim period or job order	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 2. Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.1 Product Groups.
Company has the means to provide (on demand) annual volume data for each product group as follows:  a. Inputs received b. Inputs used for production c. Inputs in stock d. Outputs in stock e. Outputs sold Summary spreadsheets may be attached. Ref Cit. 5.2.2	Findings: Ref. At. 1, 1. Introduction 1.1 Eligibility; and At. 2, 1.  Quality Management 1.4 Records.   X Yes No

PART 2G: Sales and Invoicing  For evaluation audits, indicate whether the company understands these requirements and has appropriate procedures/systems in place.		
Description of sales and invoicing procedure: Ref. Cit. 5.1.1	Loggers/haulers reselling logs will invoice directly to the FSC customer as described in At. 2, 6 Sales and Delivery, 6.1 Identification of Outputs Sold with FSC Claims. Sawmills as covered within the Group Certificate will invoice their FSC customer for sawn lumber and logs as similarly described.	
Sales invoices (will) include the following:  a) name of company b name and address of customer c) invoice date d) product description e) quantity sold Attach invoice (mock-up invoice for evaluation audits). Ref. Cit. 6.1.1	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 6. Sales and Delivery 6.1 Identification of Outputs Sold with FSC Claims. Draft invoices will be attached to the procedures for each Group Member's procedures; At. 2, Ap. J.  X Yes No	

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f) Sales invoices (will) state company Chain of Custody or Controlled Wood code. Ref. Cit. 6.1.1.f	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 6. Sales and Delivery 6.1 Identification of Outputs Sold with FSC Claims: bullet point 6. Draft invoices will be attached to the procedures for each Group Member's procedures; At. 2, A. J.   X Yes No
g) Sales invoices (will) clearly state the FSC claim associated with each line item.  Correct claims include: FSC Pure, FSC Mixed xx%, FSC Mixed Credit, FSC Mixed xx%, xx% post-consumer recycled, FSC Recycled xx%, FSC Recycled Credit, and FSC Controlled Wood  Note: For products which are not likely to be further processed AND meet the labeling thresholds, the company may elect to not transmit to their customers the percentage or 'credit' e.g. FSC Mixed, FSC Recycled. Ref Cit. 6.1.1.g	Findings: The FSC Claim will be FSC Pure. Ref At. 2, 4. Material Receipt and Storage 4.1 Identification of Input, d. e, and f.; and 6. Sales and Delivery 6.1 Identification of Outputs Sold with FSC Claims: bullet point 7.
Transport documentation includes (will include) the same information as above (a - g) when the invoice is not included with the shipment. Ref. Cit. 6.1.2	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 6. Sales and Delivery 6.1 Identification of Outputs Sold with FSC Claims: concluding paragraph.
A random sample of sales invoices were checked to confirm that FSC outputs can be matched to FSC inputs: Annual audits only.	Findings:  Yes No X NA, evaluation audit
Indicate if company sells/ will sell products as "FSC Controlled Wood".	X No Yes, company sells/will sell products from its percentage or credit system as FSC Controlled Wood Yes, company makes repeating FSC Controlled Wood claims  If yes, company must be in compliance with FSC-STD-40-005 and must only sell products to FSC chain of custody certificate holders for input into FSC Mixed Project Groups.  Comments:

PART 2H: FSC Trademark and Label Use For evaluation audits, indicate whether the company understands these requirements and has appropriate procedures in place			
Off-Product Claims			
Company website has conforming use(s) of FSC name and trademarks.	Findings: N/A initial evaluation. There was no use of the FSC logo on the Indiana State DOF website as reviewed by this auditor.      X   N/A, no use of FSC trademarks on website.   Yes, use of FSC trademarks is in broad conformance   No, evidence of non-conformities were found		
Company brochures, advertisements, catalogs, etc. have conforming use(s) of FSC name and trademarks	Findings: N/A initial evaluation. Use of the FSC logo on the DOF bid and contract are subject of the audit of the IDOF FM/COC audit by SCS, At. 6 and 7.  N/A, no use of FSC trademarks in promotional material Yes, use of FSC is in broad conformance  No, evidence of non-conformities were found		
On-Product Claims			
Use / Intended Use of On- Product Logos Check all that apply.	DISTRIBUTION:  Company trades in previously labeled product Company assigns application of logos to vendor or other certificate holder, with prior approval by SCS  MANUFACTURING: Company manufactures and labels products Company prints FSC logos on printed material  NONE  X Company makes reference to FSC in trade documentation only, and not on products  Findings: The Group Members will not be On-Product labeling with the FSC logos.		
Only products that meet the requirements and thresholds for labeling (will) carry FSC onproduct labels.	Findings: Any product that may eventually be labeled, will be FSC Pure; however this is not included within the scope to this certificate.		
Uses of FSC Labels on products are in compliance with FSC-STD-40-201	Findings: N/A  Yes No		

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Approval of FSC on-product labels and off-product logos:.	Yes, company uses SCS online approval system Yes, company keeps record of approvals from SCS No, Company has used the FSC label/trademarks but has no records of approval from SCS  X N/A, company has not used the FSC label or trademarks  Findings: N/A and initial evaluation	
On-product labels which bear the company's FSC Chain of Custody certification code include:	FSC-Pure (100%) FSC-Recycled x None  Findings: No On-product labeling.	
FSC on-product claims correspond to claims on invoices Ref. Cit. 6.2.1	Yes No X N/A, no on-product labels Findings:	
Products are not labeled or packaged with both FSC and competing forestry conformity assessment scheme labels (e.g. SFI, PEFC, CSA).	The scope of this certificate only includes timber from FSC cert forests from the State of Indiana; Ref. At. 1. 1 Introduction 1.1 Eligibility. There is no opportunity to label of package any of this timber.	

# **SECTION 3: FSC Products**

All companies: Include product group schedule as Appendix to report or by attachment. This requirement does not apply to companies still certified against the six principles or policy on percentage based claims until 1/1/09.

For distributors: Only the transfer system applies.

For manufacturers: FSC-Pure products are manufactured under the transfer system. FSC-Mixed and FSC-Recycled products may be manufactured under the system that best applies.

For printers: The transfer system will be used when only one stock of paper is used. Either the transfer or percentage system may be used when combining paper stocks with different FSC claims.

PART 3A: Product Groups			
Company maintains an upto-date product group list List main product groups here and copy complete list into Appendix. Product Group List must include: a. product's FSC claim b. product classification (UN code) c. species (if relevant) d. material categories of inputs e. control system used f. sites involved in manufacturing Ref Cit. 2.1.1 and 2.1.2	Findings: Ref. At. 2, 2 Scope of Chain of Custody System 2.1 Product Groups; and At. 2, Ap. B-2, blank Product Group Chart for each group member to execute.		

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Company maintains an up- to-date and publically	X Yes No			
available product group list, including a, b & c above. Ref	Product group	UN Product Code FSC-STD-40-004a	FSC claim	Species (if relevant) FSC-STD-40-004b
Cit. 2.1.1	Sawlogs	UN 0312	Pure	Mixed Hardwoods
List here, or attach public product group list	Sawn lumber	UN 0310	Pure	Mixed Hardwoods
as Appendix	Veneer	UN 3151	Pure	Mixed Hardwoods
Company employs the following accounting systems in their product groups: Click all that apply.	x Transfer system Applies to all companies certified for distribution or wholesale, and may also be by manufacturers.  Percentage system Applies to manufacturers who choose to employ this system.  Credit system Applies to manufacturers who choose to employ this system. Does not apply printers.		·	

PAR	T 3B: Transfer System	
Description of Company use of Transfer system	For distribution, wholesale, or retail only  To manufacture FSC Pure Product Groups To manufacture FSC Mixed Product Groups (e.g. FSC Pure + FSC Mixed, FSC Mixed + FSC Mixed (with different % or credit claims), or FSC Mixed + post-consumer reclaimed)  To manufacture FSC Recycled Product Groups (FSC Recycled and/or post-consumer reclaimed material)  To manufacture FSC Controlled Wood products for sale to CoC certified companies (all inputs are FSC certified and/or Controlled)	
The company employs the transfer system for: Ref. Cit. 7.1.1	Specified Claim Periods Generally for continuing production runs of standard product  X Job-based Claims Production Runs are based on specific jobs, and the claim is calculated on a job by-job basis.	
The company has implemented procedures to determine the correct claim on outputs: Ref. Cit. 7.2.1 and 7.3.1	Describe: Ref. At. 1, 1. Introduction 1.1 Eligibility; And At. 2, 5. Volume Control 5.2 Material Balances and 5.3 Determination of FSC Claims.	

PART 3C: Percentage System		X N/A Skip section
Describe the system:		

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The company employs: Ref Cit. 8.1.1	Specified Claim Periods Generally for continuing production runs of standard product  Job-based Claims Production Runs are based on specific jobs, and the claim is calculated on a job by-job basis or calculated based on inputs during the same claim period.  Specified Claim Period is:		
All inputs are recorded with the associated percentage or credit claim provided by the supplier. Ref. Cit. 8.2	Findings:  Yes No		
Company maintains written production records showing inputs, conversion rates, outputs, and claim periods/job orders, which were reviewed for accuracy. Ref. Cit. 8.3 and 8.4.	Findings:  Yes No		
Does company sell products with a percentage claim that are below the minimum labeling requirement?	Yes No  If yes, confirm that products are not sold with on-product labels and that sales documents include the percentage of FSC content:  Findings:		
Confirm that calculations of input percentages are carried out at the level of a single site (e.g. input at site A cannot be used to make FSC claim on product produced at site B)	Findings:  Yes No		
Does the company (intend to) sell products not sold with an FSC Percentage Claim as FSC Controlled Wood? Must be certified against FSC-STD-40-005 V2-1 and sell products with SCS-CW-###### code.	Yes No N/A, not certified against 40-005  If yes, explain:		
PART 3D: Credit System  The credit system may only be employed for the manufacturing of FSC-Mixed or FSC-Recycled products.  The credit system may not be used by printers or traders.  X N/A  Skip section			
Describe the system:			
The company maintains a credit account for each FSC Product Group, with specified claim periods of up to 3 months. Ref. Cit. 9.1.1	Claim period is:  Yes No		

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All inputs are recorded with the associated percentage or credit claim provided by the	Findings:	
supplier. Ref. Cit. 9.2.1	Yes	No
Describe any conversion factors used for inputs into the credit account. Ref. Cit. 9.3		
Confirm that FSC credit is added to the Credit Account only after the company has gained legal ownership and the material category has been verified, and before the material has entered the production process.	Findings:  Yes	☐ No
Describe how material is deducted from the credit ledger as outputs are labeled and/or sold. Ref. Cit. 9.4		
Describe how the company ensures that their FSC credit account is never overdrawn and that records of the remaining FSC credit are clearly visible to relevant staff and maintained updated at all times? Ref. Cit. 9.5.1		
Confirm that the company has implemented procedures to deduct any credit from the credit account that exceeds the sum of credit added during previous 12 months, at the beginning of each new claim period. Ref. Cit. 9.5.2		
Confirm that calculations of FSC credit are carried out at the level of a single site (e.g. credit from input at site A cannot be used to make FSC claim on product produced at site B)	Findings:  Yes	☐ No

PART 3E: Minor Components

In justified cases the *Company* may use inputs that cannot be positively identified as *eligible input (FSC certified Pure, Mixed, Recycled or Controlled, verified reclaimed or verified controlled)* in the manufacture of FSC Pure or FSC Mixed products. These minor components may constitute up to 1% of the weight or volume

X	N/A
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of the wood/fiber product, or up to 5% if a <i>derogation application</i> has been approved by FSC International.				
Specification and volume control				
Description of the minor component, and the product in which it is used:  Note that face veneers, and components made from CITES listed species do not qualify.				
Minor component constitutes the following percent (by weight or volume) of the wood/fiber in the product:  If more than one minor component, specify percentage for each	% Include here or attach calculations:			
Company's justification for use of Minor Components:				
Provide Evidence that Company:  1. Declares that product has non-certified minor components on sales documents  2. Describes the minor component if it is visible.  3. Makes clarifying statement on any onproduct claim.				
For minor components between 1% and 5%, company has a valid derogation on file. (see FSC-PRO-40-004: Minor components derogation applications)	Yes No, in process Findings:			

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# **SECTION 4: Evaluation Process and Conclusions**

PART 4A: Site Inspection				
Auditor name(s) and qualification(s)	Franklin S. Judd, Lead Auditor Scientific Certification Systems BS Forestry/Wood Technology & MS Forest Resources/Forest Products, The Pennsylvania State University; former US Army Military Intelligence Officer; five years experience in FSC Chain of Custody market development, auditing, and product management; over twenty-five years of management in forest products manufacturing, procurement, marketing, and process development.			
Description of the evaluation Including pre-evaluation, and whether Desk or Site Audit	This auditor and the SCS CoC Director developed a risk assessment applicable for the scope of the proposed Group Certificate prior to SCS issuing an initial proposal to the DOF on May 12th, At. 3. Following that on May 27th, this auditor met with Jack Seifert and Carl Hauser in Indianapolis to review requirements for the DOF Group Certification. Also at this time, preliminary plans were established for three group seminars within the State to guide future Group Members in establishing their plans and procedures for certification. These pre-evaluation seminars were held July 29, 30, and 31 in three locations within Indiana: one each in northern, central, and southern Indiana locations.  Following these seminars, this auditor examined a number of options and approaches that Carl was undertaking in preparing both a Group Entity Procedure and a Group Member Procedure/Template. This necessitated a number of reviews by this auditor followed by Carl eliminating potential Corrective Action Requests.  Over the course of a concurrent event in Indianapolis, October 28 and 29, this auditor met with Jack numerous times to review the stage of the SCC initial evaluation of the DOF Group Certification. Following these meetings, Carl finalized both procedures. A final desk audit was conducted on Wednesday, Nov. 19th. That concluded the initial evaluation process.  The next steps include the addition of Group Members under the Group Certification Certificate as described in At. 1, and as audited against At.2 and STD-COC-40-004 V2. Supplemental audits will be conducted as prescribed by STD-COC-40-002.			
Duration of Audit	May 27, 2008; 2 ½ Hours July 29, 30, and 31, 2008; 3 Days October 28 and 29, 2008: 3 Hours Approximately 20 phone calls and 18 emails between this auditor and two main points of contact listed above from May 1 to November 19, 2008.			

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PART 4B: Observations			
Assessment of risks:	There is negligible risk to the integrity of the FSC Chain of Custody within the Group Certification of the Indiana State Department of Natural Resources-Division of Forestry: Group Entity.		
Evaluation of any corrective actions from previous audit: Discuss each thoroughly and annex evidence where appropriate	x N/A, evaluation audit		
Corrective Action Requests: Major CARs must be closed by their stated deadlines in order to maintain certification. Minor CARs will be elevated to Major CARs if not closed on time.	CAR 2008.1 The Indiana DOF State timber sale Bid Proposal, At. 5, and Timber Sale Contract, At. 6, do not contain the FSC Claim.  Corrective Action: Include within the body of these documents, or as referenced attachments, a statement qualifying the timber as FSC Certified and the FSC Claim.  Deadline: For correction before the first sale of FSC certified timber. For verification at the next annual audit.  Ref. STD-COC-40-004 V2 6.1.1.		
Recommendations and Observations: Note: Recommendations are reviewed in the next annual audit, and may be elevated to a CAR.	None		
Surveillance schedule: Please note any sites or requirements requiring attention at surveillance audits	Supplemental initial evaluations will be conducted by SCS as members are accepted and audited by the Group Entity, The Indiana DOF. These audits will meet the sampling standards as required by STD 40-002 and the requirements as set down in the existing contract between the DOF and SCS, At. 4.		

#### **PART 4C: Certification Decision**

Statement as to whether the Company complies with the requirements of the standard(s) and the auditor's recommendation for (initial or continued) certification

The State of Indiana, Department of Natural Resources-Division of Forestry, the Group Entity, does comply with the applicable standards for Group Certification. It is the recommendation of this auditor that The Indiana DOF be awarded initial FSC Chain of Custody Group Certification.

# Acknowledgement and agreement

I, Franklin S. Judd, representing Scientific Certification Systems, have executed the above evaluation and believe it to be accurate.

Franklin S. Judd	November 19, 2008	
signature	date	
read the preceding report and fi	diana, Department of Natural Resources-Dind it to be accurate. I also agree to fulfill the add to requirements as stated in Annex 1.	
signature	date	

#### Annex 1

## **Additional general requirements**

The company has been advised and hereby agrees to notify Scientific Certification Systems of any of the following material changes to the certification:

- Fulfillment of Corrective Action Requests (CARS) / Conditions
- Change in company name
- Change in ownership and or management
- Change in contact name(s) and address(es)
- Change to the scope of certificate, as it appears on the certificate and FSC database
- Addition of new facility(ies) and/or termination of facility(ies) covered by the certificate
- Circumstances and/or resource conditions that could materially impact the continued validity of the certification
- Addition of new FSC Product Groups
- Material Changes to existing FSC Product Groups, such as commencement of new accounting systems or modification of product claims
- FSC and/or SCS logo use, per logo approval agreement
- Incident report of incorrect claim or deviation from FSC regulations
- FSC logo misuse by suppliers
- Date of production start of certified products if initial audit was conducted during absence of certified material
- New outsourcing agreements
- Agreements with vendors or other certificate holders for on-product labeling using company certificate number
- Material change to documented control system.
- Termination in whole or in part
- Any other circumstances where the product may no longer comply with the requirements of the certification system

### **Appendix**

Supporting documents, collected evidence. If submitted separately to SCS, list here what was sent

#### Attachments:

- 1. The Group Chain of Custody Certification Procedures for the FSC, Division of Forestry: (Group Entity) Procedures.
- 2. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources-Division of Forestry Group Chain of Custody Certification Procedures for the FSC: Group Member Procedures
- 3. SCS proposal to the DOF for Group Certification
- 4. Contract between SCS and the DOF
- 5. Bid proposal for DOF timber stumpage sale.
- 6. Stumpage contract for FSC timber from State Forest Land
- 7. Auditor Check List for STD-40-002

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