

ARAUCO North America Compliance with Australian Illegal Logging Prohibition Act

The Australia Illegal Logging Prohibition Act 2012 is designed to support the trade of legal timber into the Australian market and is administered by the Australian Department of Agriculture and Water Services. The act, which came into force in 2012, makes it a criminal offense to intentionally, knowingly or recklessly import wood, pulp and paper products into Australia or process Australian raw logs that have been illegally logged. The Illegal Logging Prohibition Amendment Regulation 2013 supports the Act, and requires that businesses must undertake 'due diligence' on certain regulated processes, which include importing, domestic processors, customs brokers, and exporting businesses. Products that are exempt from this regulation and a list of regulated products that require a due diligence system can be found [here](#).

The information in this letter is provided to support customers of ARAUCO North America that may export to Australia, or that may be required to participate in Due Diligence activities of an importing entity.

Among other documentation requirements, the due diligence system outlined by the regulation involves gathering information about the origins of the timber-related content and assessing and mitigating risk (if applicable) in regards to illegal logging. The regulation recognizes using a Timber Legality Framework (such as the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC) or Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) certification schemes) as an [option for assessing risk](#).

ARAUCO North America maintains documentation regarding districts of origin, species, pre- and post-consumer recycled content of wood raw materials used in production, which is available upon request to support downstream customers requiring this information. Please contact your ARAUCO North America Sales Representative to make request. In addition, all ARAUCO North America Composite Panel mills are included in ARAUCO's FSC Multi-site Chain of Custody Certification (FSC®C019364), and certified products are available as FSC Mix Credit when specified as such on the customer order.

For further information, please visit the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Services: <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/forestry/policies/illegal-logging>

Regards,



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