

## Public Notification Letter

### FSC® Chain of Custody Controlled Wood Stakeholder Consultation

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To: Interested Parties  
From: SCS Global Services  
Consultation Period 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2019 to 27<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
Re: Notification of intent to audit Wespine Industries Pty Ltd against FSC® Chain of Custody Controlled Wood Standard FSC-STD-40-005 v3.1

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The Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC) requires that a certification body conducting an audit of a certified organization or applicant must consult stakeholders whenever the audit includes intent to source and use uncertified material in an FSC Chain of Custody (CoC) program according to the requirements in FSC-STD-40-005 V3-1 “Requirements for Sourcing FSC Controlled Wood”. Therefore, SCS Global Services (SCS) is seeking input from interested and directly affected stakeholders regarding the relevance, effectiveness, and/or adequacy of Wespine Industries Pty Ltd Due Diligence System (DDS).

An explanation of ‘FSC Controlled Wood’, as well as a copy of FSC-STD-40-005 V3-1, is available here: <https://ic.fsc.org/en/certification/types-of-certification/controlled-wood-02> ; a copy of this standard is also available from SCS upon request.

Due Diligence Systems are required for certified organizations in order to avoid the sourcing and use of material originating from unacceptable sources in their FSC CoC program.

Directly affected stakeholders include any person, group of persons, or entity that is, with high probability, subject to the effects of the activities related to an organizations' controlled wood sourcing program, including the activities of their suppliers and sub-suppliers, as well as those who influence risk identified through the organization's Due Diligence System.

***This letter serves as SCS' invitation to directly affected stakeholders to participate in our consultation process. This letter also serves as SCS' public notification for any interested stakeholders, who are also invited to participate in the consultation process. Participation in this stakeholder consultation process is voluntary; stakeholders are not required to submit comments***

#### Scope of audit and audit details:

The audit will assess the conformity of the organization's controlled wood program – including Risk Assessment(s) and DDS – according to the certification requirements as per FSC-STD-40-005 V3-0.

The company's DDS Public Summary and Risk Assessment (excluding confidential information), as well as any other information or documents deemed relevant for the purpose of this stakeholder consultation, are included as appendices to this letter—see below. For a list of the information that is required to be publically available for stakeholder consultation by SCS, see FSC-STD-40-005 V3-0, Section 6.

The audit will take place **beginning Monday 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2019** at the company's sawmill and chipping facility located at 241 Moore Road, Dardanup Western Australia and three plantation harvest locations located around Dardanup WA.

**Options for participation and provision of comments:**

SCS is seeking comments on the controlled wood source of Wespine Industries 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.

A summary of the stakeholder consultation and comments received will be made publically available on the FSC certificate database, as per FSC-STD-20-011 V4-0. Verbatim comments will only be published with prior consent from the stakeholder and will not be associated with stakeholder names.

Note that, while SCS is required to evaluate all information and comments objectively, SCS certification decisions are affected by stakeholder comments only insofar as the comments provide evidence of conformity or nonconformity to the applicable requirements.

Within 30 days of making our certification decision, SCS will respond to all stakeholders who provided comments to explain how their comments were taken into account.

More information about FSC and SCS can be found on our respective websites: [www.fsc.org](http://www.fsc.org) and [www.scsglobalservices.com](http://www.scsglobalservices.com).

**Evaluation Team**

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**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>

**Please Contact Us**

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## Additional certificate holder information

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

WA Bioregion: SWA02, JAF01, JAF02, WAR01 IBRA

For more specific geographic information refer to the document link under Wespine FSC Controlled Wood Due Diligence Risk Assessment document (below), or email [BradB@wespine.com](mailto:BradB@wespine.com) at WESPINE.

### 2. Tree species:

Allocasuarina fraseriana (Miq.) L.A.S.Johnson; Corymbia calophylla (Lindl.) K.D.Hill & L.A.S.Johnson; Eucalyptus diversicolor F. Muell.; Eucalyptus globulus; Eucalyptus marginata Donn ex Sm.; Eucalyptus wandoo Blakeley; Pinus canariensis; Pinus pinaster; Pinus radiata

### 3. Public Information provided by Wespine Industries Pty Ltd

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

- Controlled Wood Public Summary  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/be2iim2vilhv6ay/CoC%20%26%20FSC%20CoC-10-10%20Public%20Summary%20Wespine%20Industries%205-11-19.pdf?dl=0>
- Controlled Wood Due Diligence System and Company Risk Assessment for the current year.  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/t9zucqkwsnvkj10/CoC%20%26%20FSC%20CoC-02-01%20Wespine%20Verification%20of%20Controlled%20Wood%20Supply.pdf?dl=0>