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SFI Audit Report**

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Audit Summary
Introduction
<p>This report summarizes the results of renewal audit of Graphic Packaging’s fiber sourcing program for the Macon GA and West Monroe LA paper mills. Gary Boyd, Bureau Veritas Certification Lead Auditor conducted the audit on August 26 (Macon) and September 3, 2015 (West Monroe).</p>
Audit Scope, Objectives and Process
<p>The audit was conducted against the 2015-2019 SFI Fiber Sourcing Standard. Specifically, two objectives of the SFI audit were to verify that the Program Participant’s SFI Program is in conformance with the SFI Objectives, Performance Measures, and Indicators, and any additional indicators that the Program Participant chooses, and verify whether the Program Participant has effectively implemented its SFI Standard program requirements.</p> <p>The scope of the audit was “Wood fiber procurement system for Macon, GA and West Monroe, LA facilities.”</p> <p>The audit was conducted against objectives 1 through 7, 8, 9, 10.</p>
Audit Plan
<p>The audit began on August 26, 2015 at the Macon, GA mill. An opening meeting was held and the objectives for the renewal audit were outlined and the audit process for collecting evidence and making audit findings was explained. Findings of non-conformance and opportunities for improvement were also explained. The audit plan was discussed and agreed to, and the time and date of the closing meeting was also confirmed. There were no substitutions or modifications of SFI indicators. The closing meeting took place at the West Monroe, LA mill on September 3, 2015.</p> <p>A copy of the audit plan is maintained on file by Bureau Veritas Certification. Standard Bureau Veritas Certification protocols and forms were applied throughout the audit as provided by the most recent version of the Bureau Veritas Certification SFI Auditor Handbook available on the auditor access website.</p>
Company Information
<p>Graphic Packaging International operates two paper mills in the United States which produce</p>

paperboard for packaging. Graphic Packaging International does not own forestland. Both facilities were audited during this renewal audit. The company has a very effective internal auditing program at both sites with Management Review reviewing the results of each site's internal audit.

Sites	Sites Audited During this Event
Macon, GA (Central Office)	X
West Monroe, LA	X

Audit Results

Graphic Packaging International mills receive roundwood and chips delivered by independent suppliers. Graphic Packaging International relies on third-party data to monitor BMP compliance rates. Graphic Packaging International does not visit field sites as part of its BMP monitoring program; therefore, no field sites were visited during the audit.

Below is a summary of the audit results by applicable objective.

Objective 1 - Biodiversity in Fiber Sourcing: Both facilities are active in the promotion and conservation of biological diversity through their participation on various partnerships such as NCASI, SICs and land trusts.

Objective 2 - Adherence to Best Management Practices: Graphic Packaging International relies on third-party data to monitor BMP compliance rates. Graphic Packaging International does not visit field sites as part of its BMP monitoring program; therefore, no field sites were visited during the audit. Company Purchase at Mill Agreements requires suppliers of wood to meet state Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Objective 3 - Use of qualified resource and qualified logging professionals: Graphic Packaging does not accept wood from any suppliers that have not completed and are current in a State SIC approved logger training course.

Objective 4 - Legal and Regulatory Compliance: Graphic Packaging keeps current on laws and regulations through internet searches of law and regulations. The SFI Procurement Program documentation is the framework to ensure the company's procurement operations are in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Objective 5 - Forestry Research, Science, and Technology: Graphic Packaging contributes to NCASI as well the University of Georgia. The company has also conducted growth and drain assessments for its mills in the last year.

Objective 6 - Training and Education: Employee training requirements are specified. Records verified all training for company personnel have occurred. The company requires that all suppliers have completed and are current in a State SIC approved logger training course.

Objective 7 - Community Involvement and Landowner Outreach: Graphic Packaging provides many opportunities to educate and involve the local community in sustainable forestry. The company through its participation in the various state SICs provide landowner information on sustainable forestry and forest certification. Several employees chair state SIC or SIC sub-committees.

Objective 9 - Communications and Public Reporting: Graphic Packaging's previous audit reports are posted on the SFI, Inc. website as required for public review. The 2014 SFI annual progress report had been submitted prior to the March 2015 deadline.

Objective 10 - Management Review and Continual Improvement: The company has a management review process in place. Management review minutes verified the meeting is held annually as required by the SFI Standard.

Graphic Packaging International does an excellent job of promoting sustainable forestry through its participation in the Georgia and Louisiana State Implementation Committees and through numerous public outreach events. The company's SFI program meets all requirements of the 2015- 2019 SFI Fiber Sourcing Standard.

Findings

Previous non-conformances:

None.

Non-conformances:

None.

Opportunities for Improvement:

None.

Notable Practices:

None.

Logo/label use:

No improper use of the SFI label or logo was observed during the audit. Graphic Packaging International does not use the BVC logo.

SFI reporting:

During the audit, the SFI Inc. website was checked to verify if the 2014 audit report had been posted. The company also provided evidence they had submitted the 2014 SFI Progress Report in a timely manner.

Conclusions

Results of the audit indicate that Graphic Packaging International meets all requirements of the 2015-2019 SFI Fiber Sourcing Standard and is being effectively implemented. A closing meeting was held on September 3, 2015 at the West Monroe, LA office. The results of the audit were discussed and a recommendation for renewed certification was made.

SEE SF61 FOR AUDIT NOTES

Summary of Audit Findings:									
Audit Date(s):		From: 8/26/2015				To: 9/3/2015			
Number of SF02's Raised:			Major:		0		Minor:		0
Is a follow up visit required:		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date(s) of follow up visit:			
Follow-up visit remarks:									
Team Leader Recommendation:									
Corrective Action Plan(s) Accepted		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date:	
Proceed to/Continue Certification		Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date:	9/3/2015
All NCR's Closed		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date:	
Standard audit conducted against:									
1)	2015-2019 SFI Fiber Sourcing			3)					
2)				4)					
Team Leader (1):		Team Members (2,3,4...)							
Gary Boyd		2)							
		3)							
		4)							
		5)							
Scope of Supply: (scope statement must be verified and appear in the space below)									
Wood fiber procurement system for Macon, GA and West Monroe, LA facilities.									
Accreditation's		ANAB							
Number of Certificates		2							
Proposed Date for Next Audit Event									
Date	August 2016								
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Clause	Audit Report
Opening Meeting	Participants: Discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Introductions ➤ Scope of the audit ➤ Audit schedule/plan ➤ Nonconformance types – Major / Minor ➤ Review of previous nonconformances - 0. ➤ Process approach to auditing and audit sampling ➤ Confidentiality agreement ➤ Termination of the audit ➤ Appeals process ➤ Closing meeting timing
Closing Meeting	Participants: Discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Introductions and appreciation for selecting Bureau Veritas Certification. ➤ Review of audit process - process approach and sampling. ➤ Review of OFIs and System Strengths ➤ Nonconformances - 0 ➤ Date for next audit. ➤ Reporting protocol and timing