

# Supply Base Report: BEPA LTD

Main (Initial) Audit

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#### 1 Overview

Producer name: **BEPA LTD** Producer location: Stantsionnaya st., 3A, 238210 Gvardeisk, Gvardeisk District, Kaliningrad Region, Russia Geographic position: 54.634910, 21.0740324 Primary contact: Bondin Alexey Mikhailovich, e-mail: <u>ab@bepa.trade</u>, тел: +79097755857 Company website: http://www.bepatrade.com/ 18/Apr/2020 Date report finalised: Close of last CB audit: Not applicable Name of CB: Forest certification LLC Translations from English: Yes (in Russian) SBP Standard(s) used: Standard 2, v.1.0; Standard 4, v.1.0; Standard 5, v.1.0; Instruction 5E V.1.1 Weblink to Standard(s) used: https://sbp-cert.org/documents/standards-documents/standards

Weblink to SBE on Company website: Not applicable

SBP Endorsed Regional Risk Assessment:

Indicate how the current evaluation fits within the cycle of Supply Base Evaluations						
Main (Initial) Evaluation	First Surveillance	Second Surveillance	Third Surveillance	Fourth Surveillance		
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#### 2 Description of the Supply Base

#### 2.1 General description

BEPA LTD is located in Gvardeisk, the Kaliningrad Region, the Russian Federation.

As feedstock for pellet producing BEPA LTD uses wood chips and sawdust of coniferous species.

BEPA LTD purchases raw materials from the one supplier, a primary processor with FSC certificate. The supplier in its turn purchases raw materials (both certified and controlled) from the different regions of the Russian Federation, hence the description of the resource base comprises Russia as a whole.

The total area of forest land on the territory of the Russian Federation is 764 million hectares, accounting for about 21% of world reserves of standing timber. Forests are mainly boreal and they cover 46.6% of the area of the Russian Federation. The main wood species are pine, spruce, birch, aspen. Areas occupied by the main wood species remain rather stable within last decades. Hardwood (deciduous) species comprise 68.4%, softwood (coniferous) – 21,7% (2,4% - heard-leaved and 19,3% - hardwood broadleaved). Other wood species comprise less than 1% of forests. The cutting area in the RF comprises about 660 mln.m3, incl. softwood (coniferous) – 370 mln.m3.

The total reserve of the wood in the forests located on forest fund land is 80 billion m3 which is sufficient to provide with feedstock the developed added-value wood processing industry in Russia.

In accordance with Russian legislation all forest fund lands are state property. Legal entities can use forest areas in lease and short-term use. Lease relations are the dominant legal form of forest use. The lease term may continue up to 49 years. Entrance into a lease agreement or sale contract on forest plantations is carried out at the auction for sale of the right to enter into such agreements. Forest areas for a lease are subject to state expertise and cadastral registration. According to the Forest Code of the Russian Federation each forest user taking a lease forest land obliges:

- to carry out the activities on protection and reproduction of forests;
- to submit annual forest declaration;
- to issue a project of forest assimilation;
- to provide a report on the use of forests, their protection and reproduction.

Forest certification is an effective tool for countering illegal logging and illegal timber trafficking. The area of certified forests in the Russian Federation is more than 53.46 million hectares. The dynamics of forest certification in Russia points to an ever-increasing activity of wood companies, which indicates to the responsibility to ensure the legality of the wood harvested and compliance with environmental and social requirements of the FSC.

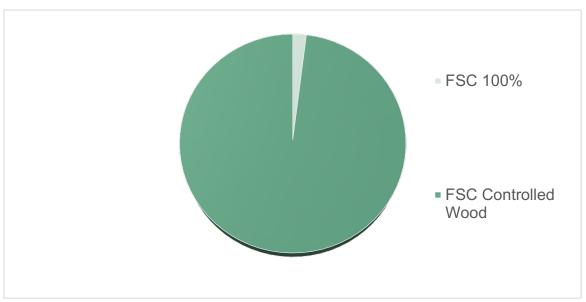
# 2.2 Actions taken to promote certification amongst feedstock supplier

BEPA LTD since 2016, the company has certificate for FSC CoC and is committed to expanding the procurement of raw materials in terms of work with other FSC certified suppliers in the Kaliningrad region and in the North-Western district of Russia.

#### 2.3 Final harvest sampling programme

Not applicable.

# 2.4 Flow diagram of feedstock inputs showing feedstock type [optional]



Info of feedstock was provided below.

#### 2.5 Quantification of the Supply Base

#### **Supply Base**

- a. Total Supply Base area (ha): 764 mln (Cumulative area of Boreal forest types of Russia)
- b. Tenure by type (ha): state owned 764 mln
- c. Forest by type (ha): boreal 764 mln
- d. Forest by management type (ha): managed natural 764 mln
- e. Certified forest by scheme (ha): 53,46 mln of FSC certified forest

#### **Feedstock**

- f. Total volume of Feedstock: 40105,000 m3 (only secondary feedstock).
- g. Volume of primary feedstock: 0%

- h. List percentage of primary feedstock (g), by the following categories. percentages may be shown in a banding between XX% to YY% if a compelling justification is provided\*. Subdivide by SBP-approved Forest Management Schemes:
  - Certified to an SBP-approved Forest Management Scheme 0%
  - Not certified to an SBP-approved Forest Management Scheme 0 %
- i. List all species in primary feedstock, including scientific name No
- j. Volume of primary feedstock from primary forest No
- k. List percentage of primary feedstock from primary forest (j), by the following categories. Subdivide by SBP-approved Forest Management Schemes:
  - Primary feedstock from primary forest certified to an SBP-approved Forest Management Scheme 0%
  - Primary feedstock from primary forest not certified to an SBP-approved Forest Management
    Scheme 0%
- I. Volume of secondary feedstock: 40105,000 m3
  - 2850,000 m3 FSC 100% (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier), species scientific names: Pinus sylvestris, Larix sibirica.
  - Incl.: 2005 m3 FSC 100% wood chips and 845 m3 FSC 100% sawdust.
  - 37255,000 m3 FSC Controlled Wood (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier), species scientific names: Pinus sylvestris, Larix sibirica.
  - Incl.: 23500 m3 FSC Controlled Wood wood chips and 13755 m3 FSC Controlled Wood sawdust.
- m. Volume of tertiary feedstock: 0%

# 3 Requirement for a Supply Base Evaluation

SBE completed	SBE not completed
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100% feedstock for pellet production has an FSC claims (FSC 100% and FSC Controlled Wood), thus no need for supply base evaluation.

#### 4 Supply Base Evaluation

#### 4.1 Scope

Not applicable.

#### 4.2 Justification

Not applicable.

#### 4.3 Results of Risk Assessment

Not applicable.

#### 4.4 Results of Supplier Verification Programme

Not applicable.

#### 4.5 Conclusion

#### 5 Supply Base Evaluation Process

#### 6 Stakeholder Consultation

Not applicable.

#### 6.1 Response to stakeholder comments

#### 7 Overview of Initial Assessment of Risk

#### 8 Supplier Verification Programme

8.1 Description of the Supplier Verification Programme Not applicable.

#### 8.2 Site visits

Not applicable.

8.3 Conclusions from the Supplier Verification Programme Not applicable.

#### 9 Mitigation Measures

#### 9.1 Mitigation measures

Not applicable.

#### 9.2 Monitoring and outcomes

#### 10 Detailed Findings for Indicators

#### 11 Review of Report

#### 11.1 Peer review

Not applicable.

#### 11.2 Public or additional reviews

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### 12 Approval of Report

Approval of Supply Base Report by senior management							
Report Prepared by:	Bondin Alexey Mikhailovich	Head of logistic and transport department	18.04.2020				
by.	Name	Title	Date				
The undersigned persons confirm that I/we are members of the organisation's senior management and do hereby affirm that the contents of this evaluation report were duly acknowledged by senior management as being accurate prior to approval and finalisation of the report.							
Report approved by:	Khizhnyak Alexey Andreevich	General director	18.04.2020				
	Name	Title	Date				

#### 13 Updates

Not applicable for main audit.

#### 13.1 Significant changes in the Supply Base

Not applicable for main audit.

#### 13.2 Effectiveness of previous mitigation measures

Not applicable.

#### 13.3 New risk ratings and mitigation measures

Not applicable.

## 13.4 Actual figures for feedstock over the previous 12 months

01.04.2019 – 31.03.2020. The feedstock for the pellet production:

- 2850,000 m3 FSC 100% (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier), species scientific name: Pinus sylvestris, Larix sibirica.
- 37255,000 m3 FSC Controlled Wood (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier), species scientific name: Pinus sylvestris, Larix sibirica.

#### 13.5 Projected figures for feedstock over the next 12 months

01.04.2020 - 31.03.2021:

- 18.000 M3 FSC 100% (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier).
- 18,000 м3 FSC Controlled Wood (sawdust and wood chips purchased from the supplier).
- 18.000 M3 FSC Recycled (wood chips purchased from the supplier)