



# Control Union Certifications B.V. Evaluation of Duferco Biomasse SRL Compliance with the SBP Framework: Public Summary Report

Scope Change Audit

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# 1 Overview

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Name of the Company: Duferco Biomasse SRL, Via Roma 9912030, Cavallomaggiore, Cuneo, Italy

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Certified Supply Base: N/A - trader

SBP Certificate Code: SBP-06-26

Date of certificate issue: 18/Apr/2019

Date of certificate expiry: 17/Apr/2024

This report relates to the Scope Change Audit

## 2 Scope of the evaluation and SBP certificate

**Scope of evaluation** Surveillance evaluation by means of an Desk audit to assess Duferco's conformance to SBP standards 4, and 5 and respective Instruction Notes and Documents, at Duferco Biomasse SRL office in Cavallomaggiore, Cuneo, Italy. COVID-19 Normative Requirements of 22/04/2020 was adhered to when completing this report.

**Scope of certificate:** Trading and distribution of chips and pellets for use in energy production by Duferco Biomasse Srl, Cavallermaggiore (Italy), and the port facilities in Palamos, Tarragona, Alicante, Huelva, Cartagena, Cadiz, Sevilla, Villagarcia, Pasajes, Bilbao and Castellón de la Plana in Spain and Gent in Belgium. The scope of the certificate does not include a supply base evaluation.

This evaluation is for the addition of storage locations to the SBP certificate scope. It concerns port facilities in Cadiz, Sevilla, Villagarcia, Pasajes, Bilbao in Spain.

### 3 Specific objective

The specific objective of this evaluation was to confirm that the Biomass Trader's management system is capable of ensuring that all requirements to the storage locations is implemented with respect to the storage contracting, inventory management, segregation and health & safety instructions.

## 4 SBP Standards utilised

### 4.1 SBP Standards utilised

Please select all SBP Standards used during this evaluation. All Standards can be accessed and downloaded from <https://sbp-cert.org/documents/standards-documents/standards>

- SBP Framework Standard 1: Feedstock Compliance Standard (Version 1.0, 26 March 2015)
- SBP Framework Standard 2: Verification of SBP-compliant Feedstock (Version 1.0, 26 March 2015)
- SBP Framework Standard 4: Chain of Custody (Version 1.0, 26 March 2015)
- SBP Framework Standard 5: Collection and Communication of Data (Version 1.0, 26 March 2015)

### 4.2 SBP-endorsed Regional Risk Assessment

Not applicable - No SBP endorsed Regional Risk Assessment was used for this assessment

# 5 Description of Company, Supply Base and Forest Management

## 5.1 Description of Company

Duferco Biomasse is part of the Duferco Group and deals with woodchips, pellets and timber logs as a trader.

The long term goal of the company is capturing value along the chain by getting more involved in forest operations upstream and setting up their own logistics and distribution downstream. Consistent with this approach Duferco Biomasse has set up operations in Italy, Spain, France and Belgium to enable them to control the flow from forest all the way to the end user premises.

## 5.2 Description of Company's Supply Base

Not applicable, The company is a Biomass Trader

## 5.3 Detailed description of Supply Base

Not applicable, The company is a Biomass Trader

## 5.4 Chain of Custody system

The organization has implemented FSC transfer and PEFC physical separation systems with biomass (wood chips) in the scope of their certificates, although only PEFC is the basis for SBP certification as their current chips suppliers are only PEFC certified. The process covers trade of biomass with physical possession. Valid FSC and PEFC system description and other documents exist. As a trading company, they imports biomass (wood chips) by sea mainly FAS, with storage.

Next to ports already in Duferco's scope the following port locations: Sevilla, Cadiz, Villagarcia, Pasajes and Bilbao have been added for the temporary storage of bulk biomass. The locations have been added to the scope certificate.



## 6 Evaluation process

### 6.1 Timing of evaluation activities

Activity	Date	Executed by
Preparation	25-09-2020	Lennart Holm (lead auditor)
Port visits (Cadiz, Huelva & Sevilla ) including interviews	30/09/2020 and 01/10/2020	Lennart Holm (lead auditor)
Port procedures review and Closing Meeting	01/10/2020	Lennart Holm (lead auditor)
Report writing	06/11/2020	Lennart Holm (lead auditor)

### 6.2 Description of evaluation activities

This audit consisted of an opening meeting, during which the scope was confirmed. The auditor also explained the methods to be employed during the audit.

The audit was completed by filling in the audit report and discussing the audit results.

All relevant requirements for storage locations at Cadiz, Huelva and Sevilla were evaluated and found to be sufficiently managed and a closing meeting performed.

### 6.3 Process for consultation with stakeholders

Not applicable, Duferco is a Biomass Trader

# 7 Results

## 7.1 Main strengths and weaknesses

The audit was conducted in an open and positive environment. The company was well prepared for the audit both in knowledge as in manual and management system. Also the company is involved in the development of the SBP standard. The depth procedures and record keeping are thought to be sufficient for the size and complexity of the company.

No weaknesses were identified.

## 7.2 Rigour of Supply Base Evaluation

Not applicable, Duferco is a Biomass Trader

## 7.3 Collection and Communication of Data

Duferco assures the completeness of incoming documentation to forward to their buyers. Duferco is a trader with physical possession, and thus, does handle with the purchased biomass. Duferco forwards to its customer the energy use data, received from their suppliers, supported by the production of the applicable SREG.

## 7.4 Competency of involved personnel

The company consist of a biomass trading desk of which one has the main responsibility related to the SBP system. During the audit the auditee showed clear and in-depth understanding of SBP, its procedures and the proper execution of those. Considering the size of the company, there were no risks detected related to the competency of involved personnel. Relevant personal at the storage location have been instructed on discharge and storage separation in accordance to SBP requirements.

## 7.5 Stakeholder feedback

Not applicable, Duferco is a Biomass Trader so no stakeholder consultation is executed by the company or by the CB.

## 7.6 Preconditions

N/A, no preconditions

## 8 Review of Company's Risk Assessments

*Describe how the Certification Body assessed risk for the Indicators. Summarise the CB's final risk ratings in Table 1, together with the Company's final risk ratings. Default for each indicator is 'Low', click on the rating to change. Note: this summary should show the risk ratings before AND after the SVP has been performed and after any mitigation measures have been implemented.*

Not applicable, Duferco is a Biomass Trader (supply base evaluation is not included in the certificate scope).

## 9 Review of Company's mitigation measures

Not applicable, Duferco is a Biomass Trader (supply base evaluation is not included in the certificate scope)

# 10 Non-conformities and observations

*Identify all non-conformities and observations raised/closed during the evaluation (a tabular format below may be used here). Please use as many copies of the table as needed. For each, give details to include at least the following:*

- *applicable requirement(s)*
- *grading of the non-conformity (major or minor) or observation with supporting rationale*
- *timeframe for resolution of the non-conformity*
- *a statement as to whether the non-conformity is likely to impact upon the integrity of the affected SBP-certified products and the credibility of the SBP trademarks.*

None.

# 11 Certification decision

Based on the auditor's recommendation and the Certification Body's quality review, the following certification decision is taken:

<b>Certification decision:</b>	Certification approved
<b>Certification decision by (name of the person):</b>	Andrea Ferrazzo
<b>Date of decision:</b>	24/Nov/2020
<b>Other comments:</b>	<i>Click or tap here to enter text.</i>