

**EC Biomass Fuel Pellets (Pty) Ltd t/a Coega Biomass Centre**

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**COEGA BIOMASS CENTRE (CBC) DUE DILIGENCE SYSTEM SUMMARY**

**Supply Base**:

The Coega Biomass Centre’s (CBC) supply base is primarily located in South Africa, specifically in the

Eastern Cape province, and located within a 280 km radius from CBC. The country has been designated as a category 1 low-risk country for sourcing biomass feedstock, as per our risk assessment.

**Product Groups:**

CBC will sell the following FSC products:

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| Product Group | HS Code | HS Nomenclature | FSC Claim |
| Level 1 | Level 2 |  |  |
| **W1** Rough wood | W1.1 Roundwood (logs) | 4403 | Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared  | FSC 100% |
| **W1.2** Fuel wood | 4401.21 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms - Coniferous  |
| 4401.22 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms - Non-coniferous  |
| **W1.3** Twigs | 4401.11 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms  |
| 4401.12 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms  |
| W3 Wood in chips, fibres, or particles | W3.1 Wood chips | 4401.21 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms - Coniferous  | FSC 100% |
| 4401.22 | Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms - Non-coniferous  |
| **W3.6** Wood pellets | 4401.31 | Wood pellets |

These products are produced using the below tree species. Products can consist of one or multiple tree species.

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| **Scientific tree name** | **Common Name** |
| Acacia cyclops | Rooikrans / Red eye |
| Acacia mearnsii | Black Wattle |
| Acacia melanoxylon | Blackwood |
| Acacia saligna | Port Jackson  |
| Eucalyptus camaldulensis | Red River gum |
| Eucalyptus cladocalyx | Sugar gum |
| Eucalyptus diversicolor | Karri |
| Eucalyptus gomphocephala | Tuart |
| Eucalyptus grandis | Saligna / Rose gum |
| Eucalyptus microcorys | Wolbas / Woolbark |
| Eucalyptus saligna (grandis sub specy) | Saligna / Blue gum |
| Eucalyptus Sideroxylon  | Black ironbark / Mugga |
| Pinus elliottii | Slash pine |
| Pinus elliottii x caribaea var.hondurensis | Caribbean |
| Pinus radiata | Radiata |
| Pinus roxburghii | Rock pine |
| Pinus taeda | Loblolly pine |
| Populus alba | White poplar |

**Product sold into EUDR markets for 2024:** 0

**FSC Risk Assessment:**

The CBC has referenced the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) risk assessment (FSC-NRA-ZA V1-0)

for South Africa, which highlights the importance of responsible forestry practices.

**Organisation’s Own Risk Assessment:**

The CBC has conducted its own risk assessment, which identified potential risks related to:

* Environmental impacts (e.g., water pollution, biodiversity loss)
* Social impacts (e.g., labor rights, community engagement)

**Conclusions and Risk Mitigation Measures:**

The CBC has implemented measures to mitigate these risks, including:

* Implementation of environmental management systems to minimize environmental impacts
* Adoption of labor standards and practices that ensure fair treatment of workers.
* Engagement with local communities to ensure respect for their rights and interests

**Consultation with Indigenous People, Local Communities and civil society organizations present in the area of production**

The CBC has established a consultation process, which includes:

* Stakeholder letters are sent out
* Regular meetings with local government structures
* Field days
* Conferences
* The DFFE provide meetings and training (annually)
* Customary Tenure Rights Holders are managed when signing up or joining as part of member management
* Provision of information on CBC’s operations and plans
* Opportunities for communities to provide feedback and input

**Complaints Procedure:**

The CBC has established a complaints procedure, which is available on our website and includes:

* A clear process for submitting complaints
* A designated person responsible for addressing complaints
* A timeline for responding to and resolving complaints

**Contact Information:**

For further information or to submit a complaint, please contact:

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**Reviewed:**

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