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Southern Forests Limited (SFL) is committed to the principles of a Forest Certification Scheme and will uphold the certification and promote it. SFL undertakes to make the commitment to this policy widely known to contractors, employees and all persons associated with our Company Forest Management and Operations.

To demonstrate we are committed throughout our operations we will:

- Comply with relevant legislation, local legal requirements and other standards we commit to, in particular the National Environmental Standards for Commercial Forestry.
- Define, document and legally establish long-term tenure and use rights.
- Identify and uphold indigenous peoples’ rights of ownership and use of land and resources.
- Maintain or enhance forest workers’ and local communities’ social and economic well-being.
- Maintain or enhance long term economic, social and environmental benefits from the forests we manage.
- Maintain or restore the ecosystem, its biodiversity, resources and landscapes.
- Implement the management plans, monitor and update documents as required.
- Monitor progress towards management objectives and access as required.
- Regularly monitor performance and engage with local authority compliance officers.
- Plan and manage plantations in accordance with FSC Principles and Criteria.

Endorsed by

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