

Forest certification policy for Ahlstrom Italia S.p.A., Ahlstrom Performance Materials Italy S.p.A., and Ahlstrom La Gère S.a.S. units.

Ahlstrom's wood and pulp sourcing practices are designed to promote sustainable forest management.

Ahlstrom supports the existing credible forest certification systems such as FSC® and PEFC and supports mutual recognition between the different systems to help the customers and end users select products based on wood originating from responsible sources.

Ahlstrom-Munksjö is also an active participant with the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC®).

Ahlstrom is associated with the Forest Stewardship Council A.C., Oaxaca, Mexico, or one of its subsidiaries or affiliates (hereinafter: FSC®) by being either a member of or having a contractual relationship with FSC. Hereby, Ahlstrom Italia S.p.A., Ahlstrom Performance Materials Italy S.p.A., and Ahlstrom La Gère S.a.S explicitly state that they have read and understood the "Policy for the Association of Organizations with FSC®" as published under www.fsc.org. This policy stipulates FSC's position with regards to unacceptable activities by organizations and individuals which already are or would like to be associated with FSC® as well as the mechanism for dissociation.

In light of the above, Ahlstrom Italia S.p.A., Ahlstrom Performance Materials Italy S.p.A., and Ahlstrom La Gère S.a.S explicitly agree, currently and in the future, as long as the relationships with FSC® exist, not to be directly or indirectly involved in the following unacceptable activities:

- a) Illegal logging or trade in illegal wood or forest products;
- b) Violation of traditional and human rights in forestry operations;
- c) Destruction of high conservation values in forestry operations;
- d) Significant conversion of forests to plantations or non-forest use;
- e) Introduction of genetically modified organisms in forestry operations;
- f) Violation of any of the ILO Core Conventions as defined in the ILO Declaration of Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

Similarly, following PEFC, Ahlstrom Italia S.p.A., Ahlstrom Performance Materials Italy S.p.A., and Ahlstrom La Gère S.a.S commit to implement its best efforts not to source fiber from pulp suppliers whose forest management activities are:

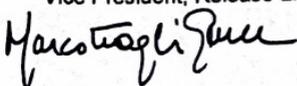
- a) Not complying with applicable local, national or international legislation to the following areas:
 - Forestry operations and harvesting, including biodiversity conservation and conversion of forest to other use
 - Management of areas with designated high environmental and cultural values
 - Protected and endangered species, including requirements of CITES
 - Health and labor issues relating to forest workers
 - Indigenous peoples' property, tenure and use rights
 - Third parties' property, tenure and use rights
 - Payment of taxes and royalties
- b) Not complying with legislation of the country of harvest relating to trade and customs, in so far as the forest sector is concerned
- c) Utilizing GMO's
- d) Converting forest to other vegetation types, including conversion to primary forests to forest plantations.
- e) A due diligence system for the legality of wood is implemented and certified by a 3rd party
- f) Reports of violations may be made to a dedicated and confidential mailbox at codeviolation@ahlstrom.com

Ahlstrom Italia S.p.A., Ahlstrom Performance Materials Italy S.p.A., and Ahlstrom La Gère S.a.S commit not to place on the market forest and tree-based products coming from controversial sources or having unresolved well-founded concern.

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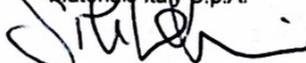
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