

## Direct Roundwood Suppliers March 4, 2025

To whom it may concern:

The European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) is a law that was enacted in the European Union (EU) in June of 2023 and was created to address and combat global deforestation and degradation. EUDR prohibits certain commodities and products derived from raw materials linked to deforestation and forest degradation from being placed on the EU market. The following commodities are affected by EUDR: wood, palm oil, cattle, coffee, cocoa, rubber, and soy, as well as certain products derived from them. Compliance is expected to commence on December 30, 2025. While International Paper and the EU have a shared interest in sustaining working forests and addressing deforestation in areas of the world where forests are shrinking, EUDR compliance places new requirements on our industry. For the last 18 months, International Paper has been diligently assessing the legal requirements and working to influence logical and beneficial changes.

What does this mean for International Paper?

International Paper and/or the companies we source wood fiber sell a significant volume of products to the EU, so we are required to comply with these new regulations. Specific to wood products, they must be harvested from forests that are "deforestation-free," which is defined as:

- Wood fiber not originating from a forest to agridulture or pasture conversion.
- Wood fiber not originating from a degraded forest\*

Exporters (like International Paper) must also disclose that its fiber was obtained in accordance with the relevant legislation of the United States, the tract origin and tract boundaries for all fiber purchases must be provided, and all fiber must be covered by a due diligence statement that confirms that there is no more than a negligible risk of non-compliance.

Starting August 1, 2025, International Paper will no longer purchase fiber from tracts that will be converted from a forest to agriculture or pasture into either IP owned paper mills or supporting IP facilities where IP is responsible for the wood sourcing (including the Sylvamo owned paper mills in Eastover, SC and Ticonderoga, NY)

Because noncompliance carries a significant financial and reputational risk for IP, we will be diligent in protecting our fiber supply chain from noncompliant sources. To ensure continued access to the EU markets that our mills serve, International Paper is requesting your full cooperation.

In the event the anticipated compliance date of December 30, 2025 is extended or delayed or the current requirements in the law significantly change, this sourcing restriction could change. We will keep you informed as we learn more, and we appreciate your patience and understanding with this dynamic situation. Thank you.

Regards,

IP Fiber Supply Lead Team