



Sonoco Products Company Sustainable Forestry Policy

Sonoco Products Company is committed to the goals of sustainable development, recycling of wood and paper fiber, and promoting responsible resource management and use. To achieve these goals, the Company implements the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI) Program Requirements for Fiber Sourcing, Chain of Custody and Product Labeling, the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) and the Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC).

Sonoco is also committed to implementing the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Standards addressing chain of custody (FSC-STD-40-004), controlled wood (FSC-STD-40-005), and on-product labeling (FSC-STD-40-201) for its fiber procurement and manufacturing operation. The Company implements best efforts to avoid trading in wood or wood fiber that is: a) illegally harvested, b) harvested in violation of traditional and civil rights, c) harvested where global conservation priorities are threatened, d) harvested in natural forests being converted to plantations or non-forest uses, and e) from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted. Sonoco conducted a Risk Assessment finding all controlled wood used was low risk. The results of this assessment are available upon request.

Sonoco employs scientific, environmental, social and economic sustainability practices to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. The Company accomplishes its sustainability objective by practicing and promoting a resource and conservation stewardship ethic.

Sonoco's policy is to promote the principles of sustainable development, recycling and biodegradability. Sonoco uses recycled wood and fibers in its packaging and is increasing its overall use of post-consumer recycled content. The Company has instituted aggressive residential and commercial recycling programs to further reduce the amount of wood fiber entering the waste stream.

Sonoco also strives to increase the degradability of its packaging to ensure that non-recycled products are biodegradable and compostable.

To help implement and achieve the above sustainability, recycling and biodegradable goals, Sonoco has developed and adopted appropriate programs, plans and procedures to guide its fiber procurement and product claims. The Company is also committed to annually review the effectiveness of its policy and programs to continually improve its management systems and environmental performance.

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Harris E. DeLoach, Jr.
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer