



SUPPORT RESPONSIBLE FORESTRY.



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Outline

- Certification as a tool to address illegal logging
- Working with Partners
- Lacey Act and EUTR
- The SFI Standard
 - Objectives specific to illegal logging





Certification: A Tool to Address Illegal Logging

“Anybody supplying the U.S. market from regions where there is a significant risk of illegal harvesting or wood trading now has a strong incentive to demand independently certified wood.”

- 2009-2010 UNECE/FAO Forest Products Annual Review



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Certification: A Tool to Address Illegal Logging

“In order to recognize good practice in the forestry sector, certification or other third party verified schemes that include verification of compliance with applicable legislation may be used in the risk assessment procedure.”

- Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010



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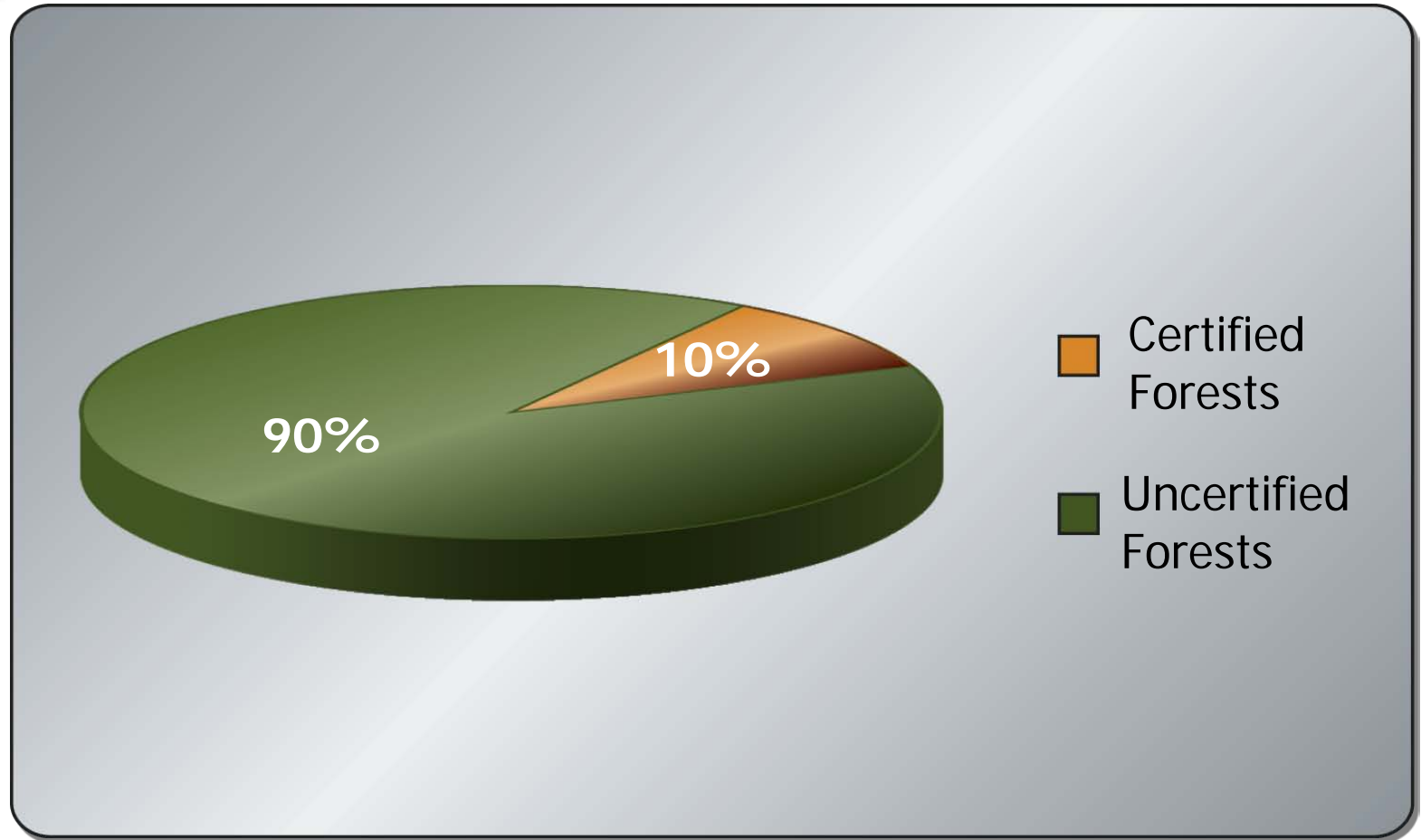
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Working with Partners

- SFI Conservation and Community Partnerships Grants Program
 - Sponsoring the Potomac Forum
 - Supporting WRI's development of a Forest Legality Risk Tool
- Member of the Forest Legality Alliance



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Lacey Act and EUTR

- SFI definition of illegal logging – *specific reference to Lacey Act amendments*
- Supporting tools (risk tool, declaration tool) that help companies comply.



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SFI 2010-2014 Standard



- Launched January 2010
- Legal compliance continues to be a foundation (Objective 14)
- Strengthened global fiber sourcing (Objectives 11, 12, 13)
- Board policy





Objective 14

- **Legal and Regulatory Compliance.** Compliance with applicable federal, provincial, state and local laws and regulations
 - (14.1) Related to forestry and social/environmental laws and regulations
 - (14.2) In the country in which the Program Participant operates





Objective 11

Promote Conservation of Biological Diversity, Biodiversity Hotspots and High-Biodiversity Wilderness Areas

- Performance Measure 11.1. Program Participants shall ensure that their fiber sourcing programs support the principles of sustainable forestry, including efforts to promote conservation of biological diversity.
 - Using available tools from CI, WWF, WRI, IUCN, AZE





Objective 12

Avoidance of Controversial Sources including Illegal Logging.

- Performance Measure 12.1. Program Participants shall ensure that their fiber sourcing programs support the principles of sustainable forestry, including efforts to thwart illegal logging.
- Indicators include: risk assessment, risk mitigation, promotion of sustainable forestry, documented information



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Objective 13

Avoidance of Controversial Sources including Fiber Sourced from Areas without Effective Social Laws.

- Performance Measure 13.1. Program Participants shall avoid controversial sources and encourage socially sound practices.
- Indicators address risk related to
 - workers' health and safety;
 - fair labor practices;
 - indigenous peoples' rights;
 - anti-discrimination and anti-harassment measures;
 - prevailing wages; and
 - workers' right to organize.



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SFI Policy

- SFI developed policy in 2008 – designed to consider the full set of operations of program participants.
 - *“SFI Inc. will not license any person or entity to use SFI’s trademarks or labels, and SFI may revoke any license previously granted, if the proposed licensee or an Affiliate of the licensee has been found to have engaged in Illegal Logging by a government authority in the jurisdiction where the logging occurred...”*
 - *“...or if the evidence available to SFI supports a conclusion that...the proposed licensee or an Affiliate of the licensee has engaged in a pattern of Illegal Logging...even if the licensee has not been subject to government enforcement actions...”*



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Thank you

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