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### Sarawak Audit Checklist / Report STLVS Principles 5 & 6

<b>Company</b>	Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd. (208737-T)	<b>Reference #</b>	GFSS 019-016
<b>Contact Person</b>	Mr. Ting Wee Yii (General Manager) Mr. Su Song Chuong (Advisor) Mr. Lau Siew Chong (Factory Manager) Ms. Sharon Then (Administrative)	<b>Audit Date</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
<b>Office Address</b>	Ta Ann Building No. 6, Jalan Rawang, P.O. Box 1489, 96008 Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia.	<b>Report Date</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
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		<b>Approved By</b>	Dr. Kevin Grace

#### Statements

GFS Statement of Compliance #	GFS 040 WTP		
Issuance Date	18 May 2019	Expiration Date	17 May 2020

#### Assessment Details

Company Type	Plywood mill
Scope of Assessment	Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd. - Sibu, Sarawak.
Product Group	Plywood, veneer, Laminated Veneer Lumber [LVL], Second Processing Plywood [CCP] (e.g. coated concrete plywood, film face plywood)
Source of Material	<b>Verified Legal (VL)</b> - FTLs No. T/0560, T/3135 and LPF No. 0010. <b>PEFC</b> – FTL No. T/3491 and Ta Ann Tasmania Pty. Ltd.
Species	<i>Shorea spp.</i> (Meranti, Selangan batu), <i>Anisoptera spp.</i> (Mersawa), <i>Dryobalanops spp.</i> (Kapur), <i>Dipterocarpus spp.</i> ( <i>Keruing</i> ), Sapotaceae ( <i>Nyatch</i> ), <i>Mangifera spp.</i> (Asam), <i>Sindora spp.</i> (Tampar hantu), <i>Mezzettia spp.</i> (Kepayang babi), <i>Dyera spp.</i> (Jelutong), <i>Cratoxylum spp.</i> (Geroggang), Lauraceae (Medang), <i>Gluta spp.</i> (Rengas hutan), <i>Octomeles sumatrana</i> (Binuang), <i>Camprosperma spp.</i> (Terentang), <i>Alstonia spp.</i> / <i>Kibatalia spp.</i> (Pelai), <i>Scaphium spp.</i> (Kembang semangkuk), <i>Hopea spp.</i> (Luis), <i>Swintonia spp.</i> (Pitoh), <i>Cephalomappa spp.</i> (Arau), <i>Artocarpus spp.</i> (Terap), <i>Durio spp.</i> (Durian), <i>Parishia spp.</i> (Upi), <i>Acacia spp.</i> (Acacia)
Close Out Date	Not applicable
GFS Lead Assessor	Franklin Emang
GFS Assessor(s)	Not available
Others	Not available

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### Terms of Assessment

The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of the Company and subcontractors to the criteria within the Sarawak Timber Legality Verification System (STLVS) Principle 5 - Mill Operations and Principle 6 - Trade and Customs standards. Compliance is defined when the organization demonstrates that there is no non-compliance to any applicable criteria. Any non-compliance must be formally addressed in accordance to the STLVS auditing manual and prior to issuance of a GFS Audit Statement.

### Limitations of Assessment

The information presented in this report is based on documentation and other information presented by the client and observations made during the site verification under the scope of assessment. GFS reporting of information presented by the client are taken as accurate, unless evaluated differently through the observations made during the assessment. All information presented in the report is accurate and complete to the best of knowledge of GFS.

### Background Information:

Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd. (**Ta Ann Plywood**) is a registered company in Sarawak, Malaysia with registration #: 208737-T. Ta Ann Plywood is a PEFC COC certified company, with certificate number: BV-PEFC-000001 for their plywood products valid through 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019. Ta Ann Plywood has received a Statement of Participation in September 2013 for the GFS WTP based on compliance with GFS chain of custody standard GFS-WI-006-WTP.3 Ta Ann Plywood was recognized to be able to trade **Verified Legal (VL)** timber products that the company produced and traded. This exercise involves surveillance of their office and mill records base in Sibu, Sarawak. Sales markets include to Japan, Taiwan, India, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore and Australia.

### Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Ta Ann Plywood is one of the subsidiaries under Ta Ann Holdings Berhad located in Sibu, Sarawak. Ta Ann Plywood does not subcontract other mills or companies to manufacture products.

### Description of the Supply Chain:

Ta Ann Plywood purchases raw material (logs and veneer) from the suppliers as listed below:

Supplier	License #	Material Type	Species	Risk Assessment
Raplex Sdn. Bhd.	FTL No. T/0560	Logs	MRTX, MLH	GFS 023 LVS Expiry date on 31 October 2019 <b>Risk Assessment Result: Low Risk</b>
Pasin Sdn. Bhd.	FTL No. T/3135	Logs	MRTX, MLH	GFS 021 LVS Expiry date on 31 October 2019 <b>Risk Assessment Result: Low Risk</b>
Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd.	LPF No. 0010	Logs	ACMG	GFS 020 LVS Expiry date on 31 October 2019 <b>Risk Assessment Result: Low Risk</b>
Tanjong Manis Holdings Sdn. Bhd.	FTL No. T/3491	Logs	Natural Forest	PEFC/MTCS Certification #: FMC-NF 001/8 (Natural Forest) Expiry date on 10 June 2021 <b>Risk Assessment Result: Low Risk</b>
Ta Ann Tasmania Pty. Ltd.	Australia	Veneer	<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>	PEFC/AS 4707 Chain of Custody for Forest Based Products (Volume Credit) Mill #: 701 Expiry date on 22 December 2023

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				Forest Management System (AS 4708:2013) Certification #: AFS 603478 Expiry date on 30 June 2021 <b>Risk Assessment Result: Low Risk</b>
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Itinerary of Assessment			
Date	Activity	GFS Auditors	Mandays
25 April 2019 Thursday	Travel to Sibu from Kota Kinabalu. STLVS P5-6 surveillance audit to Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd. Travel back to Kota Kinabalu from Sibu.	Franklin Emang	1
03 May 2019 Friday	Reporting	Dr. Kevin Grace Franklin Emang	1
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

### Summary results:

(Major Gap = 0 / Minor Gap = 0 / Observations = 0)

GAPs :				
GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
014/2017	Minor Outstanding	6.4.2	Closed	<b>April 2018:</b> STIDC Removal Pass for 2 import consignments sampled in Checklist 6.3.5 were not available during the assessment.  <b>April 2019:</b> As per the STIDC Registration Circular No: 1/2019 titled '12 <sup>th</sup> Amendment Conditions and Restrictions' [Ref. #: STIDC.22.PL.1.1 dlm 1 (1) dated 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2019] under section 4.5.1, only imported logs are to be accompanied with STIDC Removal Pass before they can be transported to a mill. Thus, removal pass for imported veneer is not applicable.

*\*Note: Major Gap = Non-Compliance / Minor Gap = Minor Gap raised can be upgraded to a Major Gap if not adequately addressed by the date of the next surveillance visit.*

Observations		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
001-2018 Addressed	5.3.1	<b>April 2018:</b> Work permits for 4 foreign workers sampled were not available during the assessment.  <b>April 2019:</b> Foreign workers sampled in the previous assessment have a valid work permits.

*\*Note: Observation raised can be upgraded to a Minor Gap if not adequately addressed by the date of the next surveillance visit.*

Highlights of Close out visit (if applicable)	Dates
Not applicable.	

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<b>Recommendations</b>
<p>Ta Ann Plywood Sdn. Bhd. has demonstrated compliance to the Sarawak Standard Principles 5-6 for Chain of Custody and is recommended to receive a GFS Audit Statement and STLVS Certificate of Compliance by STIDC.</p> <p>The next surveillance visit will be scheduled in April 2020.</p>

<b>End of Summary Report</b>
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