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RESPONSIBLE FIBER PROCUREMENT POLICY

J.D. Irving, Limited's objective is to ensure our fiber supply comes from environmentally responsible operations that comply with all applicable laws and regulations. We will encourage long term management planning, the use of environmentally and ecologically responsible forest practices, investments in silviculture, training and education, and support of our local communities.

The key principles of our procurement policy are:

- 1. We will encourage environmentally responsible harvesting practices from our suppliers and support environmental and safety training for forest workers on operations where we procure fiber.
- 2. We will actively support responsible forest management on private woodlots.
- 3. We will identify where our fiber supply comes from.
- 4. We will require suppliers to declare if any fiber comes from an area being converted to agriculture.
- 5. We will support forest certification and report the proportion of fiber from certified land in our products.
- 6. We will encourage landowners to keep their land in forest use and maintain natural diversity.
- 7. We will not knowingly procure fiber that has been stolen or illegally acquired and will take action if we are aware of such instances.
- 8. We will not knowingly procure fibre from forests;
 - a. where laws, civil or traditional rights are being violated,
 - b. where endangered species or high conservation values are threatened,
 - c. being converted to stands of trees lacking natural characteristics,
 - d. of genetically modified trees.

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