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Sourcing Paper Responsibly







OUR COMMITMENT

is to increase use of certified chain-of-custody fiber from global sources

Management Approach

As manufacturers of corrugated and paper packaging, and jumbo tissue rolls, we consume paper raw materials from forests. With deforestation a key global issue, INDEVCO identified responsible paper sourcing as a material topic with boundaries including the direct impact of our tissue mills, and the impacts of our paper suppliers worldwide.

Our performance is monitored through such external standards as Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit (SMETA) and EcoVadis CSR Scorecard audits.

See Appendix G for references.

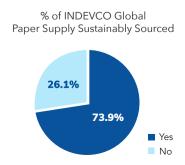
Context

Population growth, industrialism, and huge consumption of raw materials worldwide for mass production has greatly stressed natural resources and habitats. UN SDG12 Responsible Consumption and Production pushes for a shift to environmentally-friendly raw materials and finished goods¹, while SDG15 Life on Land calls for greater visibility in the supply chain to track sustainable management of forests².

OUTCOMES

In 2017, nearly 74% of INDEVCO's paper suppliers were reported to be certified by one or more sustainable forestry bodies: Forest Stewardship Council (FSC, 98.5%), the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC, 50.5%), and/or the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (0.10%). In 2018, INDEVCO began the process of evaluating paper raw material suppliers. This report presents the same numbers as the prior report. We will communicate results of supplier evaluation in the 2019 report.





APPENDIX G

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- 1. United Nations Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform. Sustainable Development Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns. https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdg12
- 2. United Nations Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform. Sustainable Development Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss. https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdq15