

# Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit Report





Audit Details						
Sedex Company Reference: (only available on Sedex System)	ZC: Non-Sedex member Sedex Site Reference: (only available on Sedex System)			ZS: No	on-Sedex member	
Business name (Company name):	Dřevo-palety-Vlk, s.r.o.					
Site name:	Dřevo-palety-Vlk, s.r.o.					
Site address: (Please include full address)	Buk 9, 3931 Prachatice Co		Country:		Czech Republic	
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SMETA Audit Pillars:	∑ Labour Standards	Health & Safety (plus Environment 2-Pillar)		Environr 4-pillar	nent	∑ Labour Standards
Date of Audit:	2-3/02/2022			•		

Audit Company Name & Logo:	Report Owner (payer):
Bureau Veritas	Dřevo-palety-Vlk, s.r.o.

Audit Conducted By							
Affiliate Audit Company	$\boxtimes$	Purchaser		Retailer			
Brand owner		NGO		Trade Union			
Multi– stakeholder			Combined Audit (	(select all that appl	у)		

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# **Audit Content:**

- (1) A SMETA audit was conducted which included some or all of Labour Standards, Health & Safety, Environment and Business Ethics. The SMETA Best Practice Version 6.1 was applied. The scope of workers included all types at the site e.g. direct employees, agency workers, workers employed by service providers and workers provided by other contractors. Any deviations from the SMETA Methodology are stated (with reasons for deviation) in the SMETA Declaration.
- (2) The audit scope was against the following reference documents

# 2-Pillar SMETA Audit

- ETI Base Code
- SMETA Additions
  - Universal rights covering UNGP
  - Management systems and code implementation,
  - Responsible Recruitment
  - · Entitlement to Work & Immigration,
  - · Sub-Contracting and Home working,

#### **4-Pillar SMETA**

- 2-Pillar requirements plus
- Additional Pillar assessment of Environment
- Additional Pillar assessment of Business Ethics
- The Customer's Supplier Code (Appendix 1)
- (3) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non-compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (4) Any Non-Compliance against customer code shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.



# **SMETA Declaration**

I declare that the audit underpinning the following report was conducted in accordance with SMETA Best Practice Guidance and SMETA Measurement Criteria.

- (1) Where appropriate non-compliances were raised against the ETI code / SMETA Additions & local law and recorded as non-compliances on both the audit report, CAPR and on Sedex.
- (2) Any Non-Compliance against customer code alone shall not be uploaded to Sedex. However, in the CAPR these 'Variances in compliance between ETI code / SMETA Additions/ local law and customer code' shall be noted in the observations section of the CAPR.

Any exceptions to this must be recorded here (e.g. different sample size): N/A

Auditor Team (s) (please list all including all interviewers):

Lead auditor: Lubomír Závodník APSCA number: 21701400

Lead auditor APSCA status: Good Standing

Team auditor: N/A APSCA number: N/A

Interviewers: Lubomír Závodník APSCA number: 21701400

Report writer: Lubomír Závodník

Report reviewer: Przemysław Drożyner

# Date of declaration: 3/2/2022

Note: The focus of this ethical audit is on the ETI Base Code and local law. The additional elements will not be audited in such depth or scope, but the audit process will still highlight any specific issues.

This report provides a summary of the findings and other applicable information found/gathered during the social audit conducted on the above date only and does not officially confirm or certify compliance with any legal regulations or industry standards. The social audit process requires that information be gathered and considered from records review, worker interviews, management interviews and visual observation. More information is gathered during the social audit process than is provided here. The audit process is a sampling exercise only and does not guarantee that the audited site prior, during or post–audit, are in full compliance with the Code being audited against. The provisions of this Code constitute minimum and not maximum standards and this Code should not be used to prevent companies from exceeding these standards. Companies applying this Code are expected to comply with national and other applicable laws and where the provisions of law and this Code address the same subject, to apply that provision which affords the greater protection. The ownership of this report remains with the party who has paid for the audit. Release permission must be provided by the owner prior to release to any third parties.



# **Summary of Findings**

Issue (please click on the issue title to go direct to the appropriate audit results by clause) Note to auditor, please ensure that when issuing		Area of Non-Conformity (Only check box when there is a non- conformity, and only in the box/es where the non-conformity can be found)			Record the number of issues by line*:			Findings (note to auditor, summarise in as few words as possible NCs, Obs and GE)	
	e audit report, hyperlinks are retained.	ETI Base Code	Local Law	Additional Elements	Customer Code	NC	NC Obs GE		
0A	Universal Rights covering UNGP								Nothing to report
ОВ	Management systems and code implementation								Nothing to report
1.	Freely chosen Employment								Nothing to report
2	Freedom of Association								Nothing to report
3	Safety and Hygienic Conditions						5		Obs 1: Blocked access to emergency exit in handmade pallet production hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately. Obs 2: Fire hydrant barred by bags in the lower hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately. Obs 3: Rack for instruments used without load designation in the garage. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately. Obs 4: The clutter found in the trolley charging area in the middle hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately. Obs 5: It was not clear whether records of ladder inspections were kept. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.



4	<u>Child Labour</u>							Nothing to report
5	Living Wages and Benefits							GE: Special benefits for employees: transport of employees to work free of charge, supplementary charge for meal tickets, the company's contribution to the employee's supplementary pension insurance
6	Working Hours							Nothing to report
7	<u>Discrimination</u>							Nothing to report
8	Regular Employment							Nothing to report
8A	Sub-Contracting and Homeworking							Nothing to report
9	<u>Harsh or Inhumane Treatment</u>							Nothing to report
10A	Entitlement to Work							Nothing to report
10B2	Environment 2-Pillar							N/A
10B4	Environment 4–Pillar							GE: Improvements based on energy audit - reduction of emissions by installing biomass boilers.
10C	<u>Business Ethics</u>							Nothing to report
Gener	General observations and summary of the site:							

# 0: Management system and Code Implementation

There is a management system ISO 9001:2015 implemented at the plant; responsible managers were appointed, the correct licenses and permissions are kept to operate legally in premises, CoC is communicated.

# 1: Employment is Freely Chosen

The factory has a policy which prohibits forced labour and this was available for review.

New workers must present their original IDs for proof of age, only copies are kept in the personnel files.

2: Freedom of Association and Right to Collective Bargaining are Respected



No Trade Union Organisation operates at the site, one Worker representant voted.

All interviewed employees confirm that the company does not prohibit anybody to join any trade union organization.

# 3: Working Conditions are Safe and Hygienic

Safe and hygienic working environment is provided.

Workers are trained regularly: records of Health & Safety and Fire protection training were available.

#### 5 Observations:

- Obs 1: Blocked access to emergency exit in handmade pallet production hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.
- Obs 2: Fire hydrant barred by bags in the lower hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.
- Obs 3: Rack for instruments used without load designation in the garage. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.
- Obs 4: The clutter found in the trolley charging area in the middle hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.
- Obs 5: It was not clear whether records of ladder inspections were kept. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.

#### 4: Child Labour Shall Not Be Used

A procedure for checking ages of workers at application stage used.

Check of workers files showed that the youngest worker present was over 18 years old.

# 5: Living Wages are Paid

All workers are provided with written and understandable contract including information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment. No evidence of non-conformity to the Czech Law regulations was found.

Good Example Observed: Special benefits for employees: transport of employees to work free of charge, supplementary charge for meal tickets, the company's contribution to the employee's supplementary pension insurance

# 6: Working Hours are not Excessive

Through employees' interview, overtime is voluntary and is always compensated at a premium rate.

Attendance time is entered directly into the electronic payroll system which calculates wages.

# 7: No Discrimination is Practiced

All interviewed workers were aware of the grievance possibility.

No evidence of sexual harassment noted.

# 8: Regular Employment Is Provided

All employment relationship was found in conformity with national law.

No labour-only contracting, sub-contracting, or home-working was present

# 8A: Sub-Contracting and Homeworking

A site tour showed that all production processes are present inside the unit. No sub-contractor was used.

# 9: No Harsh or Inhumane Treatment is Allowed

As per document review and workers interview, there is a policy on Harsh Treatment that is familiar to workers.

# 10. Other Issue areas: 10 A: Entitlement to Work and Immigration

As per document review only workers with a legal right to work are employed or used by the supplier.

# 10. Other issue greas 10B4: Environment 4–Pillar

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The company meets all requirements of local and national laws related to Czech Law requirements.

The plant has the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources.

Good Example Observed: Improvements based on energy audit - reduction of emissions by installing biomass boilers.

10C: Business Ethics – 4-Pillar Audit

The company management is aware of the end client's business practices standards requirements.

\*Please note the table above records the total number of Non-compliances (NC), Observations (Obs) and Good Examples (GE). This gives the reviewer an indication of problem areas but does not detail severities of each issue – Reviewers need to check audit results by clause.



# **Site Details**

	Site Details					
A: Company Name:	Dřevo-palety-Vlk, s.r.o.					
B: Site name:	Dřevo-palety-Vlk, s.r.	0.				
C: GPS location: (If available)	GPS Address:			Latitude: 49.03157 Longitude: 13.85422		
D: Applicable business and other legally required licence numbers and documents, for example, business license number, liability insurance, any other required government inspections	Business license number: CZ 16855841- permanent license since the company exists.  Certificate of insurance of entrepreneurs and legal entities No. 2088445788 issued on 11/02/2021.					
E: Products/Activities at site, for example, garment manufacture, electricals, toys, grower, cutting, sewing, packing etc	Production of wood pallets					
F: Site description: (Include size, location, and age of site. Also, include structure and number of buildings)	The company operates on the outskirts of the village of Buk, which is located in a protected landscape area near the town of Prachatice. The complex, which is owned by the company, has an area of 32,248 m2. There are 5 buildings with a total built-up area of 4,567 m2.					
	Administrative Building	Description	n	Remark, if any		
	Floor 1	Canteen, dressing re boiler roo	oom,	Built in 1970		
	Floor 2	Offices, M dressing re		Reconstructed in 1995		
	Is this a shared building?	No		N/A		
	New wood dryer	Description	on	Remark, if any		
	Floor 1	wood dry boiler roo		Built in 2016		
	Is this a shared building?	No		N/A		



	Production Central hall	Description	Remark, if any			
	Floor 1	Production of wood pallets, Old wood dryer, boiler room K3	Built in 1970, reconstruction 2016			
	Production Lower hall	Description	Remark, if any			
	Floor 1	Production of wood palettes	Built in 1970			
	Garage	Description	Remark, if any			
	Floor 1	truck service	Built in 2020			
	Is this a shared building?	No	N/A			
	For below, please ac	dd any extra rows if c	appropriate.			
	F1: Visible structural integrity issues (large cracks) obs Yes No F2: Please give details: The last large construction of took place in 2019.					
	F3: Does the site have a structural engineer evaluation Yes No					
	room issued by the C	of the biomass boiler nent of the City of 2/1/2016, valid until the				
G: Site function:	Agent   Factory Processing/Manufacturer   Finished Product Supplier   Grower   Homeworker   Labour Provider   Pack House   Primary Producer   Service Provider					
H: Month(s) of peak season: (if applicable)	No peak season					
I: Process overview: (Include products being produced, main operations, number of production lines, main equipment used)	Cutting logs: STORI MANTEL FLS (trimming saw), wooden planks shortening: HOLTEC VC-SHK-WG5M-POS (shortener) wood drying: SCHNEIDER dryer					

machine palletizing: KALLFASS RA 6000 (shortening saw) STORTI FLEX 59M (Pallet machine); ATICA VAS 122, Ollitech (semi-automatic pallet stacker) Expedition: a fleet of 24 trucks for transporting pallets from the factory to the customer (EURO 5:5 tracs, EURO 6:19 trucs) J: What form of worker representation / Union (name) union is there on site? Worker Committee Other (specify): Worker Representant None K: Is there any night production work at Yes X No the site? ☐ Yes L: Are there any on site provided worker accommodation buildings e.g. ⊠ No dormitories L1: If yes, approx. % of workers in on site accommodation N/A M: Are there any off site provided Yes ⊠ No worker accommodation buildings M1: If yes, approx. % of workers N: Were all site-provided ☐ Yes ⊠ No accommodation buildings included in this audit N1: If no, please give details - no accommodation buildings



Audit Parameters							
A: Time in and time out	Day 1 Time in: 9:00 Day 1 Time out: 17:00	Day 2 Time in: 9:00 Day 2 Time out: 13:00	Day 3 Time in: 8:00 Day 3 Time out: 12:00 reporting				
B: Number of auditor days used:	One auditor 1,5 days on s	site, 0,5 day off site reportir	ng				
C: Audit type:	Full Initial Periodic Full Follow-up Partial Follow-Up Partial Other If other, please define:						
D: Was the audit announced?	<ul><li>✓ Announced</li><li>☐ Semi – announced: Window detail: weeks</li><li>☐ Unannounced</li></ul>						
E: Was the Sedex SAQ available for review?	Yes No If No, why not: Non-Sedex member						
F: Any conflicting information SAQ/Pre-Audit Info to Audit findings?	Yes No If <b>Yes</b> , please capture detail in appropriate audit by clause						
G: Who signed and agreed CAPR (Name and job title)	Petra Kučerová - managing director						
H: Is further information available (If yes, please contact audit company for details)	☐ Yes ☑ No						
I: Previous audit date:	N/A						
J: Previous audit type:	N/A						
K: Were any previous audits reviewed for this audit	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A						



Audit attendance Management Worker Representatives Worker Committee Union Senior representatives management representatives ☐ Yes ☒ No A: Present at the opening meeting? ⊠ Yes □ No ⊠ Yes ☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ No B: Present at the audit? ☐ Yes ☐ No C: Present at the closing meeting? D: If Worker Representatives were not Worker Representant present present please explain reasons why (only complete if no worker reps present) E: If Union Representatives were not No Trade Union established present please explain reasons why: (only complete if no union reps present)



# **Worker Analysis**

The term "migrant worker" refers to a person who is engaged or has been engaged in a remunerated activity in a country of which they are not a national or permanent resident or has purposely migrated on a temporary basis to another in-country region to seek and engage in a remunerated activity.

Worker Analysis								
		Local		l	Migrant*		Total	
	Permanent	Temporary	Agency	Permanent	Temporary	Agency	Home workers	.5.5.
Worker numbers – Male	66	0	0	11	0	0	0	77
Worker numbers – female	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
Total	88	0	0	11	0	0	0	99
Number of Workers interviewed – male	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	7
Number of Workers interviewed – female	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Total – interviewed sample size	7	0	0	3	0	0	0	10



A: Nationality of Management	Czech	
B: Please list the nationalities of all workers, with the three most common nationalities listed first.  Please add more nationalities as applicable to site. Add more rows if required.	Nationalities: B1: Nationality 1:Czech B2: Nationality 2:Ukraine B3: Nationality 3:N/A	Was the list completed during peak season?  ☐ Yes ☐ No  If no, please describe how this may vary during peak periods: No peak season
C: Please provide more information for the three most common nationalities.	C: approx % total workforce: Nationality 190,5_% C1: approx % total workforce: Nationality 29,5_% C2: approx % total workforce: Nationality 3N/A_	
D: Worker remuneration (management information)	D:0% workers on piece rate D1:76%% hourly paid workers D2:34%% salaried workers  Payment cycle: D3:% daily paid D4:% weekly paid D5:100% monthly paid D6:% other D7: If other, please give details	

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Worker Interview Summary						
A: Were workers aware of the audit?	∑ Yes □ No					
B: Were workers aware of the code?	∑ Yes □ No					
C: Number of group interviews: (Please specify number and size of groups. Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria. If the auditor was not able to follow the BPG, please state within the declaration)	The interviews took place in 1 group of 4 and individual interviews.					
D: Number of individual interviews (Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria)	D1: Male:3	D1: Male:3				
E: All groups of workers are included in the scope of this audit such as; Direct employees, Casual and agency workers, Workers employed by service providers such as security and catering staff as well as workers supplied by other contractors.  Note to auditor: please record details of migrant /agency/contractor workers in section 8 – Regular Employment, under Responsible Recruitment	∑ Yes     ☐ No  If no, please give details	S				
F: Interviews were done in private and the confidentiality of the interview process was communicated to the workers?	∑ Yes □ No					
G: In general, what was the attitude of the workers towards their workplace?	Favourable Non-favourable Indifferent					
H: What was the most common worker complaint?	Nothing serious					
I: What did the workers like the most about working at this site?	All workers enjoyed wor	king at this factory				
J: Any additional comment(s) regarding interviews:	Nothing to report					
K: Attitude of workers to hours worked:	OT is irregular and volun	tary, minimum OT				
L. Is there any worker survey information available?						
Yes No L1: If yes, please give details:						
M: Attitude of workers: (Include their attitude to management, workplace, and the interview profincluded) Note: Do not document any information that could put workers		e information should be				

10 workers were selected for interview including 7 males and 3 female workers, they were interviewed as 1 group of 4 and 6 workers were interviewed individually. All interviewed workers were cooperative, open and communicative.

All of them appreciated good relationships on the work place and good relationships with supervisors and management.

#### N: Attitude of worker's committee/union reps:

(Include their attitude to management, workplace, and the interview process. Both positive and negative information should be included) Note: Do not document any information that could put workers at risk

Worker Representant appreciates good working conditions, direct contact with management, and large benefits.

# O: Attitude of managers:

(Include attitude to audit, and audit process. Both positive and negative information should be included)

The factory management had a system in place to check their current practices against their clients' requirements and the local law, and they took notice of the findings of the internal audit team and had implemented a Health & Safety committee to take care of health and safety concerns. The attitude of management to the ethical accountability is positive. Top management is experienced in the local labour legislative.

# **Audit Results by Clause**

# 0A: Universal Rights covering UNGP

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#### 0.A. Guidance for Observations

- 0.A.1 Businesses should have a policy, endorsed at the highest level, covering human rights impacts and issues, and ensure it is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.
- 0.A.2 Businesses should have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human rights
- 0.A.3 Businesses shall identify their stakeholders and salient issues.
- 0.A.4 Businesses shall measure their direct, indirect, and potential impacts on stakeholders (rights holders) human rights.
- 0.A.5 Where businesses have an adverse impact on human rights within any of their stakeholders, they shall address these issues and enable effective remediation.
- 0.A.6 Businesses shall have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter.

Note for auditors and readers. This is not a full Human Rights Assessment, but instead a check on the business's implementation of processes to meet their Universal rights covering UNGP responsibilities.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

Company accepted the main customer Ethical Code. There is an Ethical Policy, which covers human rights impacts and issues. It is communicated to all appropriate parties.

Company identified its stakeholders and salient issues and measures its impacts on stakeholders' human rights.

Company has not detected any adverse impact on human rights.

Company has a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details: The main customer Ethical Code, Quality Policy, Health and Safety Policy.

Any other comments: N/A

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A: Policy statement that expresses commitment to respect human rights?	<ul><li>☐ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>A1: Please give details:</li></ul>	
	The main customer Ethical C	Code adopted
B: Does the business have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human Rights?	<ul> <li>∑ Yes</li> <li>□ No</li> <li>Please give details:</li> <li>Name: Petra Kučerová</li> <li>Job title: Managing Director</li> </ul>	
C: Does the business have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter?	∑ Yes     ☐ No     C1: Please give details: Con	fidence box
D: Does the grievance mechanism meet UNGP expectations? (Legitimate, Accessible, Predictable, Equitable, Transparent, Rightscompatible, a source of continuous learning and based on stakeholder engagement)	Yes No D1: If no, please give details	. N/A
E: Does the business demonstrate effective data privacy procedures for workers' information, which is implemented?	Yes No E1: Please give details: Application of the GDPR Regulation	
Findings: No	thing to report	
Finding: Observation Company NC Description of observation:		Objective evidence observed:
Local law or ETI/Additional elements / customer spe	ecific requirement:	
Comments:		
Good exam	ples observed:	
Description of Good Example (GE):		Objective Evidence Observed:

# **Measuring Workplace Impact**

Workplace Impact			
A: Annual worker turnover:  Number of workers leaving in last 12 months as a % of average total number of workers on site over the year (annual worker turnover)	A1: Last year: 2020 14%	A2: This year 2021 16_ %	
B: Current % quarterly (90 days) turnover: Number of workers leaving from the first day of the 90 days period through to the last day of the 90 day period / [(number of employees on the 1st day of 90 day period + number of employees on the last day of the 90 day period) / 2]	2,5 %		
C: Annual % absenteeism:  Number of days lost through job absence in the year /  [(number of employees on 1st day of the year + number employees on the last day of the year) / 2]  * number available workdays in the year	C1: Last year: 2020 25,72 %	C2: This year 2021 22,52 %	
D: Quarterly (90 days) % absenteeism: Number of days lost through job absence in the period / [(Number of employees on 1st of the period + Number of employees on the last day of the period) / 2] * Number of available workdays in the month	2,8 %		
E: Are accidents recorded?	<ul><li></li></ul>		
F: Annual Number of work related accidents and injuries per 100 workers: [(Number of work related accidents and injuries * 100) / Number of total worke rs]	F1: Last year: 2020 Number: 3/90	F2: This year: 2021 Number: 4/90	
G: Quarterly (90 days) number of work related accidents and injuries per 100 workers:  [(Number of work related accidents and injuries * 100) / Number of total workers]	12,12 %		
H: Lost day work cases per 100 workers: [(Number of lost days due to work accidents and work related injuries * 100) / Number of total workers]	H1: Last year: 2020 10,6 %	H2: This year: 2021 12,7 %	
I: % of workers that work on average more than 48 standard hours / week in the last 6 / 12 months:	I1: 6 months0% workers	I2: 12 months0% workers	
J: % of workers that work on average more than 60 total hours / week in the last 6 / 12 months:	J1: 6 months0% workers	J2: 12 months0% workers	

#### **0B: Management system and Code Implementation**

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0.B.1 Suppliers are expected to implement and maintain systems for delivering compliance to this Code. 0.B.2 Suppliers are expected to be operating legally in premises with the correct business licenses and permissions and to have systems to ensure that all relevant land rights have been complied with 0.B.3 Suppliers shall appoint a senior member of management who shall be responsible for compliance with the Code.

0.B.4 Suppliers are expected to communicate this Code to all employees.

0.B.5 Suppliers should communicate this code to their own suppliers and, where reasonably practicable, extend the principles of this Ethical Code through their supply chain.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

# **Current systems:**

There is a ISO 9001 management system implemented at the plant; company operates legally in premises with the correct business licenses and permissions.

There is a system to ensure that all relevant land rights have been complied with.

A senior member of management was appointed to be responsible for compliance with the Code (Mrs. Petra Kučerová - Managing Director).

The Policy and the company ETI Code is available and communicated to the staff and to suppliers too.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details: The main customer Ethical Code, Quality Policy, Health and Safety Policy.

Any other comments: N/A

Management Systems:		
A: In the last 12 months, has the site been subject to any fines/prosecutions for non–compliance to any regulations?	Yes No A1: Please give details: The company demonstrates that comply with all regulations and recently has not been subject to any fine for non-compliance to local regulations.	
B: Do policies and/or procedures exist that reduce the risk of forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse?	<ul> <li>         ∑ Yes         ☐ No         B1: Please give details: The main customer         Ethical Code, Quality Policy, Health and Safety         Policy.     </li> </ul>	
C: If Yes, is there evidence (an indication) of effective implementation? Please give details.	Regulation Code of Ethics implemented	

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D: Have managers and workers received training in the standards for forced labour, child labour, discrimination, harassment & abuse?	<ul><li> ☐ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>D1: Please give details: Code of Ethics training</li></ul>	
E: If Yes, is there evidence (an indication) that training has been effective e.g. training records etc.? Please give details	Yes No E1: Please give details: Attendance record of training on 26/01/2021	
F: Does the site have any internationally recognised system certifications e.g. ISO 9000, 14000, OHSAS 18000, SA8000 (or other social audits).  Please detail (Number and date).	Yes No F1: Please give details: Certificates ISO 9001 No. 007/CZ/Q/2019, valid to 24/03/2022	
G: Is there a Human Resources manager/department? If Yes, please detail.	Yes No G1: Please give details: the position is held by Petra Kučerová in a family business.	
H: Is there a senior person / manager responsible for implementation of the code	Yes No H1: Please give details: Mrs. Petra Kučerová - Managing Director)	
I: Is there a policy to ensure all worker information is confidential?	Yes No II: Please give details: Data Protection Policy	
J: Is there an effective procedure to ensure confidential information is kept confidential?	Yes No J1: Please give details: Data Protection Policy Czech, GDPR Procedure	
K: Are risk assessments conducted to evaluate policy and procedure effectiveness?	<ul><li>∑ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>K1: Please give details: A procedure Observation</li></ul>	
	and controls to reduce H&S risks	
L: Does the facility have a process to address issues found when conducting risk assessments, including implementation of controls to reduce identified risks?	∑ Yes □ No	
	L1Please give details: Implementation of Observation and controls to reduce H&S risks	
M: Does the facility have a policy/code which require labour standards of its own suppliers?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li><li>M1: Please give details: Suppliers Evaluation procedure</li></ul>	
Land rights		

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N: Does the site have all required land rights licenses and permissions (see SMETA Measurement Criteria)?		Company operates in its a legal land register with land area
O: Does the site have systems in place to conduct legal due diligence to recognize and apply national laws and practices relating to land title?	∑ Yes     ☐ No     O1: Please give details: there is a Register of Lav	Due to ISO requirements w requirements
P: Does the site have a written policy and procedures specific to land rights.  If yes, does it include any due diligence the company will undertake to obtain free, prior and informed consent, (FPIC) even if national/local law does not require it	∑ Yes     ☐ No     P1: If yes, how does the In accordance with Czech must obtain permission fre specific to land rights.	regulations, the company
Q: Is there evidence that facility / site compensated the owner/lessor for the land prior to the facility being built or expanded.	<ul><li>∑ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>Q1: Please give details: the land are registered register</li></ul>	•
R. Does the facility demonstrate that alternatives to a specific land acquisition were considered to avoid or minimize adverse impacts?	∑ Yes     ☐ No     R1: Please give details: in Czech legal land reg	all the land are registered ister
S: Is There any evidence of illegal appropriation of land for facility building or expansion of footprint.	☐ Yes ☑ No S1: Please give details: I	No evidence noted
Non-compliance: No	othing to report	
Description of non-compliance:      NC against ETI/Additional Elements     NC against Local Law     NC against customer code:		Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
Local law and/or ETI requirement:  Recommended corrective action:		
Recommended Conective UCIION.		
2. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI/Additional Elements NC against customer code:  NC against customer code:		



Local law and/or ETI requirement:  Recommended corrective action:		
Observation: Nothing to report		
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement:		
Comments:		
Good Examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective evidence observed:	



#### 1: Freely Chosen Employment

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#### ETI

1.1 There is no forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour.

1.2 Workers are not required to lodge "deposits" or their identity papers with their employer and are free to leave their employer after reasonable notice.

# **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

# **Current systems:**

According to the Czech Law requirement the facility has a policy which prohibits forced labour and this was available for review.

New workers must present their original ID's for proof of age, only copies are kept in the personnel files.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

#### **Details:**

Employee files, Labour Contracts, Training records, Attendance records, Payrolls, Health Examination records

Interviews with workers, Worker representative interview.

No prisoners found. Company workers feel free to leave their employer after reasonable notice.

Any other comments: N/A

A: Is there any evidence of retention of original documents, e.g. passports/ID's	Yes No A1: If yes, please give details and category of workers affected:
B: Is there any evidence of a loan scheme in operation	Yes No B1: If yes, please give details and category of worker affected:
C: Is there any evidence of retention of wages /deposits	Yes No C1: If yes, please give details and category of worker affected:
D: Are there any restrictions on workers' freedom to terminate employment?	Yes No D1: Please describe finding: No restriction noted
E: If any part of the business is UK based or registered there & has a	☐ Yes ☐ No



turnover over £36m, is there a published a 'modern day slavery statement?	A1: If yes, please give details and category	of workers affected:	
F: Is there evidence of any restrictions on workers' freedoms to leave the site at the end of the work day?	Yes No B1: If yes, please give details and category of	of worker affected:	
G: Does the site understand the risks of forced / trafficked / bonded labour in its supply chain	Yes No C1: If yes, please give details and category	of worker affected:	
H: Is the site taking any steps taking to reduce the risk of forced / trafficked labour?  D1: Please describe finding: No restriction noted			
	Non–compliance: Nothing to report		
Description of non-compliance:      NC against ETI      NC agai code:	nst Local Law: 🗌 NC against customer	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI requirement			
Recommended corrective action:	Recommended corrective action:		
2. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC against Local Law: NC against customer code:			
Local law and/or ETI requirement:			
Recommended corrective action:			
	Observation: Nothing to report		



Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement:	observed.	
Comments:		
Good Examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective evidence observed:	



#### 2: Freedom of Association and Right to Collective Bargaining are Respected

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#### ETI

- 2.1 Workers, without distinction, have the right to join or form trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively.
- 2.2 The employer adopts an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions and their organisational activities.
- 2.3 Workers' representatives are not discriminated against and have access to carry out their representative functions in the workplace.
- 2.4 Where the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining is restricted under law, the employer facilitates, and does not hinder, the development of parallel means for independent and free association and bargaining.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

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# **Current systems:**

Any other comments: N/A

No Trade Union organisation operates in the company. One Worker representant present.

Interviewee confirmed that employees were not prevented to join any TU organisation. The site engages in meaningful dialogue with the workforce and bargaining with workers. Meetings happen regularly and effectively address workers' concerns.

Workers can raise their demands to management, whether individually or collectively and are being heard and listened to.

Workers are aware of the meetings and understand what is being discussed.

Worker Representant is not discriminated against and has access to carry out his representative functions in the workplace.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details: Interview with workers and Worker Representant (Zdeněk Votava - production master).

A: What form of worker representation/union is there on site?	☐ Union (name) ☐ Worker Committee ☑ Other (specify) One Worker representant present ☐ None
B: Is it a legal requirement to have a	☐ Yes



C: Is it a legal requirement to have a worker's committee?	☐ Yes ☐ No		
D: Is there any other form of effective worker/management communication channel? (Other than union/worker committee e.g. H&S, sexual harassment)	<ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>D1: Please give details: Confidential boxes</li> <li>D2: Is there evidence of free elections?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>		
E: Does the supplier provide adequate facilities to allow the Union or committee to conduct related business?	<ul> <li>         ∑ Yes         ☐ No         E1: Please give details: Office place and time for meetings     </li> </ul>		
F: Name of union and union representative, if applicable:	No TU established		re evidence of free elections?  No N/A
G: If there is no union, is there a parallel means of consultation with workers e.g. worker committees?	Workers' Representant		ere evidence of free elections? No N/A
H: Are all workers aware of who their representatives are?	⊠ Yes □ No		
I: Were worker representatives freely elected?	∑ Yes ☐ No	I1: Date o	of last election: 11/2019
J: Do workers know what topics can be raised with their representatives?	∑ Yes □ No		
K: Were worker representatives/union representatives interviewed?	∑ Yes  □ No     If <b>Yes</b> , please state how many: one		
L: Please describe any evidence that union/worker's committee is effective?  Specify date of last meeting; topics covered; how minutes were communicated etc.	Record of December 2021 meeting: COVID 19 impacts		
M: Are any workers covered by Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)?	☐ Yes ⊠ No		
If <b>Yes</b> , what percentage by trade Union/worker representation	M1:0% workers covered by Union CBA  M2: _100% workers covered by worker rep CBA		
M3: If <b>Yes</b> , does the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) include rates of pay?	☐ Yes ☐ No		



Non–compliance: Nothing to report		
1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
2. <b>Description of non–compliance:</b> NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:		
Local law and/or ETI requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
Observation: Nothing to report		
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement:	observed.	
Comments:		
Good Examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective evidence observed:	
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#### 3: Working Conditions are Safe and Hygienic

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#### **ETI**

- 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.
- 3.2 Workers shall receive regular and recorded Health & Safety training, and such training shall be repeated for new or reassigned workers.
- 3.3 Access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage shall be provided.
- 3.4 Accommodation, where provided, shall be clean, safe, and meet the basic needs of the workers.
- 3.5 The company observing the code shall assign responsibility for Health & Safety to a senior management representative.

# **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

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#### **Current systems:**

Safe and hygienic working environment is provided.

The company assigned responsibility for Health & Safety to a H&S Committee, that takes care for safety and fire protection.

The site has an agreement with local health authority to provide health work conditions.

Sufficient clean toilets segregated by gender were available at all times.

Workers have access to the bathrooms, and rest rooms too.

Potable water is continuously provided for all staff and workers.

Work environment is monitored according to legal requirements and local health authority permits.

The risk assessment for each position was established, employees are informed about the risks identified – this was confirmed during interviews.

First-aid boxes with first aid instructions are available.

Small injures were registered in Book of injures.

No doctor or nurse stay there permanently, five trained first aiders - present at each shift

Chemicals are properly stored, have relevant material safety data sheets (MSDS) and adequate eye wash / shower station if required.

Workers are trained on how to handle chemicals safely and undergo the required health checks. Legally required licences are valid.

Ventilation, light, temperature, noise, dust and sound levels are appropriate.

The auditor reviewed the following documentation and records: Health & Safety Policy, H&S Procedure, training on H&S Policy, PPE awareness, first aid training and list of first aiders, appropriate PPE worn by the employees, electrician certificate, revision records and building safety.

Everything mentioned was find perfect.

The facility has evacuation plan, which indicated escape routes and are posted at each area.

Evacuation routes and exits are marked, signed and lighted.

Fire protection equipment is available on site, including maintained fire alarm system.

All fire protection equipment was controlled and serviced by external authorized company. Evacuation drills are performed; the last fire drill, which covered all shifts, took place on 12.12.2021.



Building structure and electrical installations appeared to be safe and properly maintained. Machines are monitored and regularly checked and maintenance

The last large construction of garage took place in 2019. Building approval of the biomass boiler room issued by the Construction Department of the City of Prachatice No. 330-243 / 2826 / 04-2 of 22/1/2016, valid until the change of use of the building.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

#### Details:

Site Tour; Interviewees inform H&S conditions are good; regular health, safety and fire protection trainings are provided. Employees are outfitted with appropriate PPE according to risk identified; access to the PPE is not limited. Factory keeps documents for accidents at work and small injures.

Any other comments: there is a strong system in place to ensure that found inconsistencies do not happen again.

A: Does the facility have general and occupational Health & Safety policies and procedures that are fit for purpose and are these communicated to workers?	<ul><li> ☐ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>A1: Please give details: H&amp;S Policy valid from 2.6.2020</li></ul>
B: Are the policies included in workers' manuals?	<ul> <li>         ∑ Yes         ☐ No         B1: Please give details: The Manual for initial and repeated training     </li> </ul>
C: Are there any structural additions without required permits/inspections (e.g. floors added)?	Yes No C1: Please give details: Propper permits submitted
D: Are visitors to the site informed on H&S and provided with personal protective equipment	<ul> <li>         ∑ Yes         ☐ No         D1: Please give details: Rules for visitors posted: visitors are equipped with protective equipment     </li> </ul>
E: Is a medical room or medical facility provided for workers?  If yes, do the room(s) meet legal requirements and is the size/number of rooms suitable for the number of workers.	Yes No E1: Please give details: it is not a legal obligation
F: Is there a doctor or nurse on site or there is easy access to first aider/trained medical aid?	<ul> <li>         ∑ Yes         ☐ No         F1: Please give details: No doctor or nurse stay there permanently, five trained first aiders - present at each shift</li> </ul>
G: Where the facility provides worker transport - is it fit for purpose, safe,	



maintained and operated by competent persons e.g. buses and other vehicles?	G1: Please give details: free of charge transport by company cars provided	
H: Is secure personal storage space provided for workers in their living space and is fit for purpose?	Yes No H1: Please give details: Company does not provide accommodation	
I: Are H&S Risk assessments are conducted (including evaluating the arrangements for workers doing overtime e.g. driving after a long shift) and are there controls to reduce identified risk?	Yes No A1: Please give details: The Manual for initial and repeated training	
J: Is the site meeting its legal obligations on environmental requirements including required permits for use and disposal of natural resources?	Yes No B1: Please give details: ISO 9001 requirements implemented	
K: Is the site meeting its customer requirements on environmental standards, including the use of banned chemicals?	☐ Yes     ☐ No     C1: Please give details: According to 0	Czech law requirements
Non-r	compliance: Nothing to report	
1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:  Local law and/or ETI requirement  Recommended corrective action:		Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
	Observation: 5	
1. Description of observation: Blocked access to emergency exit in handmade pallet production hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.  Local law or ETI requirement: ETI 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards.  Recommended corrective action: Provide permanent access.		Objective evidence observed: There is a strong system in place to ensure that the inconsistency does not happen again.
2. Description of observation: Fire hydrant barred by bags in the lower hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.  Local law or ETI requirement: ETI 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards.		There is a strong system in place to ensure that the inconsistency does not happen again.



#### Recommended corrective action:

Provide permanent access.

#### 3. Description of observation:

Rack for instruments used without load designation in the garage. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.

# Local law or ETI requirement:

ETI 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards.

# Recommended corrective action:

Provide permanent designation.

# 4. Description of observation:

The clutter found in the trolley charging area in the middle hall. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.

#### Local law or ETI requirement:

ETI 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards.

# Recommended corrective action:

Provide permanent order and cleaning.

# 5. Description of observation:

It was not clear whether records of ladder inspections were kept. It is not a noncompliance, because it was corrected immediately.

#### Local law or ETI requirement:

ETI 3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards.

# Recommended corrective action:

Ensure constant traceability of records.

There is a strong system in place to ensure that the inconsistency does not happen again.

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There is a strong system in place to ensure that the inconsistency does not happen again.

Good Examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:	

#### 4: Child Labour Shall Not Be Used

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#### **ETI**

- 4.1 There shall be no new recruitment of child labour.
- 4.2 Companies shall develop or participate in and contribute to policies and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child.
- 4.3 Children and young persons under 18 shall not be employed at night or in hazardous conditions.
- 4.4 These policies and procedures shall conform to the provisions of the relevant ILO Standards.

# **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

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# **Current systems:**

Check of new workers files showed that the youngest worker present was age 20 years.

Company meets law regulation according to a prohibition not to employ young person fewer than 18 shall at night or in hazardous conditions.

Company participates to policy and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

#### Details:

A procedure for checking ages of workers at application stage.

The youngest worker is 19 years old (born on 25.4.2002)

Employees 'files,

No indication of child labour.

Any other comments: N/A

A: Legal age of employment:	15
B: Age of youngest worker found:	A man 19 years old - born on 25.4.2002
C: Are there children present on the work floor but not working at the time of audit?	☐ Yes ☑ No
D: % of under 18's at this site (of total workers)	0 %
E: Are workers under 18 subject to hazardous work assignments?  (Go to clause 3 – Health and Safety)	☐ Yes ☐ No



E1: If yes, give details: The company does not employ young person fewer than 18				
Non–compliance: Nothing to report				
Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI  NC against Local Law  NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)			
Local law and/or ETI requirement:				
Recommended corrective action:				
2. <b>Description of non-compliance:</b> NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:				
Local law and/or ETI requirement:				
Recommended corrective action:				
Observation: Nothing to report				
Description of observation:	Objective evidence			
Local law or ETI requirement:	observed:			
Comments:				
Good Examples observed: Nothing to report				
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:			



#### 5: Living Wages are Paid

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#### **ETI**

- 5.1 Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. In any event wages should always be enough to meet basic needs and to provide some discretionary income.
- 5.2 All workers shall be provided with written and understandable information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid.
- 5.3 Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be permitted nor shall any deductions from wages not provided for by national law be permitted without the expressed permission of the worker concerned. All disciplinary measures should be recorded.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

All workers are provided with written and understandable contract including information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment.

The site understands and regularly reviews the current legislation related to wages payment and ensures this is applied at all levels.

The site has an adequate management system to ensure that wages are paid on time accurately and according to legislation for all types of workers.

This includes a transparent and trusted payment system.

The site has an adequate management system to record wages accurately and in a timely manner.

This includes any related overtime premium, statutory benefits, leave, legal deductions and final settlement.

The site has an adequate system to ensure legal deposits are returned in a timely manner and that loans are lent fairly to workers.

Overtime payment is in line with local law, industry best practices and ETI Base Code.

Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure are not permitted; no deductions from wages were provided.

All disciplinary measures were recorded. No evidence of non-conformity to the Czech Law regulations was found.

# Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

Workers' Labour Contracts,

Payrolls:

10 samples from February 2021 (normal season)

10 samples from June 2021 (normal season)

10 samples from December 2021 (most recent month)

Non-compliance: Nothing to repoprt

No



1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI  NC against Local Law code:	NC against cus	tomer	observe (where	ive evidence ed: relevant please oto numbers)
Local law and/or ETI requirement:				
Recommended corrective action:				
2. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC against Local Law code:	□ NC against cus	tomer		
Local law and/or ETI requirement:				
Recommended corrective action:				
Observation:	Nothing to report			
Description of observation:			Object observ	ive evidence
Local law or ETI requirement:			ODSEIV	eu.
Comments:				
Good Exan	nples observed:			
Description of Good Example (GE):			-	ive Evidence
Special benefits for employees: transport of employees to work free of charge, supplementary charge for meal tickets, the company's contribution to the employee's supplementary pension insurance		_	Workers ws and Pay rolls	
Summary Information				
Criteria	Local Law (Please state legal requirement)	Actual of Site (Record results ago	ed site ainst the	Is this part of a Collective Bargaining Agreement?
A: Standard/Contracted work hours: (Maximum legal and actual required working hours	Legal maximum: 40 hours per	A1: 40 ho week	urs per	A2: □ Yes

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week

excluding overtime, please state if possible per day,

week, and month)



B: Overtime hours: (Maximum legal and actual overtime hours, please state if possible per day, week, and month)	Legal maximum: 4 hrs per day 8 hours per week & 416 per year	B1: 2 hrs per week 8 hrs per week	B2: ☐ Yes ☑ No
C: Wage for standard/contracted hours: (Minimum legal and actual minimum wage at site, please state if possible per hr, day, week, and month)	Legal minimum: for year 2020: 14.660 CZK/ month; or 87,30 CZK/hour for year 2021: 15.200 CZK/ month; or 90,50 CZK/hour	C1: min 17 450 CZK/ month or 120 CZK /hour	C2:  Yes  No
D: Overtime wage: (Minimum legal and actual minimum overtime wage at site, please state if possible per hr, day, week, and month)	Legal minimum: Weekdays +25% Rest days +25% Holidays +100%	D1: Weekdays +25 % Rest days +25% Holidays +100%	D2: ☐ Yes ☑ No

Wages analysis:  (Click here to return to Key Information)			
A: Were accurate records shown at the first request?	⊠ Yes □ No		
A1: If <b>No</b> , why not?	N/A		
B: Sample Size Checked (State number of worker records checked and from which weeks/months - should be current, peak, and random/low. Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria)	10 samples from February 2021 (normal season) 10 samples from June 2021 (normal season) 10 samples from December 2021 (most recent month)		
C: Are there different legal minimum wage grades? If <b>Yes</b> , please specify all.	☐ Yes ☑ No	C1: If <b>Yes</b> , please give details: N/A	
D: If there are different legal minimum grades, are all workers graded and paid correctly?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☑ N/A	D1: If <b>No</b> , please give details: N/A	
E: For the lowest paid production workers, are wages paid for standard/contracted hours (excluding overtime) below or above the legal minimum?	Below legal min Meet Above	E1: Lowest actual wages found: Note: full time employees and please state hour / week / month etc.  17 450 CZK per month	



F: Please indicate the breakdown of workforce per earnings:	F1:% of workforce earning under minimum wage F2:% of workforce earning minimum wage F3: _100% of workforce earning above minimum wage			
G: Bonus Scheme found: Please specify details:	Bonus Scheme found: Note: type of employee (e.g. full time, temp, etc.) and please state which units e.g. /hour /week /month etc. Fix Base Payment+ floating rate + payment bonuses Bonus payments in monthly and quarterly terms are paid in accordance with the contract provisions.			
H: What deductions are required by law e.g. social insurance? Please state all types:	social insurance health insurance income tax			
I: Have these deductions been made?	∑ Yes □ No			social insurance     health insurance     income tax     Please describe: N/A
		I2: Please I deduction have not b made.	s that	Nothing to report     Please describe: N/A
J: Were appropriate records available to verify hours of work and wages?	∑ Yes ☐ No			
K: Were any inconsistencies found? (if yes describe nature)	☐ Yes		ed incident	
L: Do records reflect all time worked? (For instance, are workers asked to attend meetings before or after work but not paid for their time)	Yes No L1: Please give details: Employees do not have to attend any preshift or post-shift meetings. Mandatory testing and Covid-19 take place during work hours.			
M: Is there a defined living wage: This is <u>not normally</u> minimum legal wage. If answered yes, please state amount and source of info: Please see SMETA Best Practice Guidance and Measurement Criteria.	<ul> <li>∑ Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>M1: Please specify amount/time:</li> <li>1) Single person = 3 410 CZK per month.</li> <li>2) two adults in family = 5 970 CZK per month</li> <li>3) two adults with one child under 5 year = 7 710 CZK per month</li> </ul>			
M2: If yes, what was the calculation method used.	☐ISEAL/Anker Benchmarks ☐Asia Floor Wage ☐Figures provided by Unions ☐Living Wage Foundation UK ☐Fair Wear Wage Ladder			



Fairtrade Foundation Other – please give details: N: Are there periodic reviews of wages? If Yes give details (include Пио whether there is consideration to N1: Please give details: Regular State Office financial management review, last September 2019 basic needs of workers plus discretionary income). O: Are workers paid in a timely X Yes manner in line with local law? No P: Is there evidence that equal rates Пио are being paid for equal work: P1: Please give details: Each employee has a written Payment Order. In the sample examined, all were remunerated in accordance with his/her payment order Q: How are workers paid: Cash Cheque Bank Transfer Other Q1: If other, please explain: N/A

#### 6: Working Hours are not Excessive

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#### **ETI**

- 6.1 Working hours must comply with national laws, collective agreements, and the provisions of 6.2 to 6.6 below, whichever affords the greater protection for workers. Sub-clauses 6.2 to 6.6 are based on international labour standards.
- 6.2 Working hours, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week.
- 6.3 All overtime shall be voluntary. Overtime shall be used responsibly, taking into account all the following: the extent, frequency and hours worked by individual workers and the workforce as a whole. It shall not be used to replace regular employment. Overtime shall always be compensated at a premium rate, which is recommended to be not less than 125% of the regular rate of pay.
- 6.4 The total hours worked in any 7-day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by clause 6.5 below.
- 6.5 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any 7-day period only in exceptional circumstances where <u>all</u> of the following are met:
  - this is allowed by national law;
  - this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce;
  - appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and
  - The employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies.
- 6.6 Workers shall be provided with at least one day off in every 7-day period or, where allowed by national law, 2 days off in every 14-day period.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

Samples wage check confirmed a compliance with legislation.

Working hours, excluding overtime, are defined by contracts, and didn't exceed 48 hours per week. Working time is 40 hours per week.

The shift in production starts at 6:25 and ends at 14:55, two-shift operation at 15:00 to 23:30. The shift in administration starts at 8:00 and end at 16:00.

Statutory breaks are observed.

Through employees' interview, overtime is voluntary and is always compensated at a premium rate. Local requirements are stricter than ETI: 40 standard hours + 8 OT hours = 48 total hours per week.

The total hours worked in any 7-day period does not exceed 60 hours.

Attendance work time is documented in electronic attendance system.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:



10 samples from February 2021 (normal season) 10 samples from June 2021 (normal season)

10 samples from December 2021 (most recent month)	
Any other comments: N/A	
Non–compliance: Nothing to report	
Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI  NC against Local Law  NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
Local law and/or ETI requirement:	
Recommended corrective action:	
Observation: Nothing to report	
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:
Local law or ETI requirement:	
Comments:	
Good Examples observed: Nothing to report	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:



Working hours' analysis  Please include time e.g. hour/week/month  (Go back to Key information)			
Systems & Processes			
A. What timekeeping systems are used: time card etc.	Describe: electro	onic attendance system RON SOFTWARE.	
B: Is sample size same as in wages section?	∑ Yes ☐ No B1: If no, please (	give details N/A	
C: Are standard/contracted working hours defined in all contracts/employment agreements?	⊠ Yes □ No	C1: If NO, please give details including % and which type of workers do NOT have standard hours defined in contracts/employment agreements. Please give details: N/A	
D: Are there any other types of	D1: If YES, please complete as appropriate:		
contracts/employment agreements used?		□ 0 hrs □ Part time □ 0 hrs □ Other	
		If "Other", Please define:	
		N/A	
E. Do any standard/contracted working hours defined in contracts/employment agreements exceed 48 hours per week?	☐ Yes ☑ No	E1: If <b>yes</b> , please detail hours, %, types of workers affected and frequency Please give details: N/A	
F: Are workers provided with at least 1 day off in every 7-day-period, or 2 in 14-day-period?	F2: Please select all applicable:  1 in 7 days 2 in 14 days No If 'No', please explain:	F3: Is this allowed by local law?  Yes  No	
	Maximum number of days worked without a day off (in sample):		
	6		



Standard/Contracted Hours worked			
G: Were standard working hours over 48	☐ Yes ⊠ No	G1: If yes, % of workers & frequency:	
hours per week found?		N/A	
H: Any local waivers/local law or	☐ Yes ⊠ No	H1: If yes, please give details:	
permissions which allow averaging/annualised hours for this site?	<b>⊠</b> 140	N/A	
Overtime Hours worked			
I: Actual overtime hours worked in sample (State per day/week/month)	June 2021: 2 hou	thour per day, 4 hours per week, 12 OT hours per month or per day, 4 hours per week, 15 OT hours per month 2 hour per day, 8 hours per week, 14 OT hours per month	
J: Combined hours (standard or contracted + overtime hours = total) over 60 found? Please give details:	☐ Yes ☑ No		
K: Approximate percentage of total workers on highest overtime hours:	25%		
L: Is overtime voluntary?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Conflicting Information	L1: Please detail evidence e.g. Wording of contract / employment agreement / handbook / worker interviews / refusal arrangements:  Overtime is voluntary, which is documented in employees' contracts	
Overtime Premiums			
M: Are the correct legal overtime premiums paid?	Yes No N/A – there is no legal requirement to OT premium	M1: Please give details of normal day overtime premium as a % of <b>standard</b> wages: Weekdays +25% Rest days +25% Holidays +100%	
N: Is overtime paid at a premium?	∑ Yes ☐ No	N1: If yes, please describe % of workers & frequency: 100 % monthly	



O: If the site pays less than 125% OT premium and this is allowed under local law, are there other considerations? Please complete the boxes	□ No □ Consolidated pay (May be standard wages above minimum legal wage, with no/low overtime premium) □ Collective Bargaining agreements □ Other
where relevant.	O1: Please explain any checked boxes above e.g. detail of consolidated pay / CBA or Other
	The company pays +25 % OT premium
P: If more than 60 total hours per week and this is legally allowed, are there other considerations? Please	Overtime is voluntary Onsite Collective bargaining allows 60+ hours/week Safeguards are in place to protect worker's health and safety Site can demonstrate exceptional circumstances Other reasons (please specify)
complete the boxes where relevant.	P1: Please explain any checked boxes above e.g. detail of consolidated pay / CBA or other:
	No occurrence noted
Q: Is there evidence that overtime hours are being used for extended periods to make up for labour shortages or increased order volumes?	☐ Yes ☐ No Q1: If yes, please give details: N/A
R: If sufficient workers cannot be hired, are new working time arrangements explored to ensure that overtime is the exception rather than the rule.	∑ Yes □ No

#### 7: No Discrimination is Practiced

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#### ETI

7.1 There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

All interviewed workers were aware of the grievance possibility.

No discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation noted during interviews.

No evidence of sexual harassment noted.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

Interviews with workers and their representant

Payrolls

Attendance records

Termination records

Training records

Any other comments: N/A

A: Gender breakdown of Management + Supervisors (Include as one combined group)	A1: Male:75 % A2: Female25 %
B: Number of women who are in skilled or technical roles e.g. where specific qualifications are needed i.e. machine engineer / laboratory analyst:	6 quality controllers
C: Is there any evidence of discrimination based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation?:	Hiring Compensation Access to training Promotion Termination or retirement No evidence of discrimination found  C1: Please give details: No evidence



Workers are trained regularly: Job related skills Health and Safety Environmental Impacts Ethical Code	
∑ Yes □ No	
If no, please give details:	
ompliance: Nothing to report	
1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC against Local Law NC against customer code:  Local law and/or ETI requirement:  Recommended corrective action:	
servation: Nothing to report	
	Objective evidence observed:
mples observed: Nothing to report	
	Objective Evidence Observed:
	Job related skills Health and Safety Environmental Impacts Ethical Code  Yes No  If no, please give details:  ompliance: Nothing to report  cal Law NC against customer  servation: Nothing to report

#### 8: Regular Employment Is Provided

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#### **ETI**

- 8.1 To every extent possible work performed must be on the basis of recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.
- 8.2 Obligations to employees under labour or social security laws and regulations arising from the regular employment relationship shall not be avoided through the use of labour–only contracting, sub–contracting, or home–working arrangements, or through apprenticeship schemes where there is no real intent to impart skills or provide regular employment, nor shall any such obligations be avoided through the excessive use of fixed–term contracts of employment.

### Additional Elements: Responsible Recruitment

- 8.3 Suppliers have full understanding of the entire recruitment process and assess all labour recruiters and intermediaries against legal and/or ethical requirements.
- 8.4 There are effective management systems in place to identify and monitor the hiring and management of all migrant workers, contract workers, agency workers, temporary or casual labour The supplier shall implement processes to enable adequate control over agencies with regards the above points and related legislation.
- 8.5 Employment agencies must only supply workers registered with them.
- 8.6 Workers pay no recruitment fee at any stage of the recruitment process.
- 8.7 Worker contracts accurately reflect the agreed payment and terms in the recruitment process and are understood and signed by workers.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

There is effective management system in place to identify and monitor the hiring and management of workers.

Worker contracts accurately reflect the agreed payment and terms in the recruitment process and are understood and signed by workers.

All employment relationship was found in conformity with national law.

No labour-only contracting, sub-contracting, or home-working was used.

# Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

The hiring and termination practises

Personal files – employees labour contracts

Payroll records

Any other comments: N/A

Non-compliance: Nothing to report



1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI NC aga code:	ainst Local Law 🔲 NC against customer	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
Local law and/or ETI requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
2. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI  NC aga code:	ainst Local Law    NC against customer	
Local law and/or ETI requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
	Observation: Nothing to report	
Description of observation:	Observation, Nothing to report	Objective evidence
		observed:
Local law or ETI requirement:		
Comments:		
God	od Examples observed: Nothing to report	
Description of Good Example (GE):		Objective Evidence Observed:
Responsible Recruitment		
All Workers		
A: Were all workers presented with terms of employment at the time of recruitment, did they understand them and are they same as current conditions?	<ul> <li>☐ Terms &amp; Conditions presented</li> <li>☐ Understood by workers</li> <li>☐ Same as actual conditions</li> <li>A1: If any are unchecked, please describe fix category (ies) of workers affected: N/A</li> </ul>	nding and specific



B: Did workers' pay any fees, taxes, deposits or bonds for the purpose of recruitment/placement?	Yes No B1: If yes, please describe details and specific category(ies) of workers affected:
C: If yes, check all that apply:	Recruitment / hiring fees Service fees Application costs Recommendation fees Placement fees Administrative, overhead or processing fees Skills tests Certifications Medical screenings Passports/ID's Work / resident permits Birth certificates Police clearance fees Any transportation and lodging costs after employment offer Any transport costs between work place and home Any relocation costs after commencement of employment New hire training / orientation fees Medical exam fees Deposit bonds or other deposits Any other non-monetary assets Other – C1: If other, please give details:
D: If any checked, give details:	N/A

country of which they are not a national or permanent resident or has purposely migrated on a temporary basis to another in-country region to seek and engage in a remunerated activity			
A: Type of work undertaken by migrant workers:	Operator		
B: Please give details about recruitment agencies for migrant workers:	B1: Total number of (in country recruitment agencies) used: No agency used  B2: Total number of (outside of local country) recruitment agencies used: No agency used		
C: Are migrant workers' voluntary deductions (such as for remittances) confirmed in writing by the worker and is evidence of the transaction supplied by the facility to the worker?	Yes No C1: Please describe finding: no finding	C2: Observations: N/A	
D: Are Any migrant workers in skilled,	☐ Yes ☑ No		

Migrant Workers:

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D: Are Any migrant workers in skilled, technical, or management roles



# **NON-EMPLOYEE WORKERS**

Recruitment Fees:	
A: Are there any fees?	☐ Yes
	No No
B: If yes, check all that apply:	Recruitment / hiring fees Service fees
apply.	Application costs
	Recommendation fees
	☐ Placement fees
	Administrative, overhead or processing fees
	☐ Certifications ☐ Medical screenings
	Passports/ID's
	Work / resident permits
	Birth certificates
	Police clearance fees
	Any transportation and lodging costs after employment offer
	Any transport costs between work place and home
	Any relocation costs after commencement of employment  New hire training / orientation fees
	Medical exam fees
	Deposit bonds or other deposits
	Any other non-monetary assets
	Other
	D1. If allow who we also also have
	B1 – If other, please give details: N/A
C: If any checked, give details:	N/A
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Agency Workers (if applicable) (workers sourced from a local agent who are not directly paid by the site, but paid by the agency, Usually the agencies are paid by the site and the wages of the individual workers are paid by the agency.)		
A: Number of agencies used (average):	A1: Names if available: No agency used	
B: Were agency workers' age / pay / hours included within the scope of this audit?	∑ Yes □ No	



C: Were sufficient documents for agency workers available for review?	∑ Yes □ No
D: Is there a legal contract / agreement with all agencies?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No ☐ D1: Please give details: No agency used
E: Does the site have a system for checking labour standards of agencies? If yes, please give details.	☐ Yes ☐ No E1: Please give details: No agency used

Contractors:  Note: contractors in this context are generally individuals who supply several workers to a site. Usually the contractors are paid by the site and the wages of the workers are paid by the contractor. Common terms include, gang bosses, labor provider,			
A: Any contractors on site?	Yes No A1: If yes, how many contractors are present, please give details: No contractor operates		
B: If <b>Yes</b> , how many workers supplied by contractors?	N/A		
C: Do all contractor workers understand their terms of employment?	Yes No C1: Please describe finding: No contractor operates		
D: If <b>Yes</b> , please give evidence for contractor workers being paid per law:	N/A		



#### 8A: Sub-Contracting and Homeworking

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8A.1 There should be no sub-contracting unless previously agreed with the main client.

8A.2 Systems and processes should be in place to manage sub-contracting, homeworking and external processing.

Note to auditor on homeworking:

Report on whether it is direct or via agents. How many workers, relationship with site and what control systems are in place.

Note to auditor on subcontracting: auditor should use this section for subcontractors of part made or wholly made finished goods, this section should not be used for raw material manufacturers unless instructed otherwise by customers

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

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### **Current systems:**

No sub-contractor presents

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

If any processes are sub-contracted – please populate below boxes

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Process Subcontracted	Process 1	Process 2		
Name of factory				
Address				
Process Subcontracted	Process 3	Process 4		
Name of factory				
Address				
Process Subcontracted	Process 5	Process 6		
Name of factory				
Address				
		·		

Details: N/A

Non-compliance: Nothing to report



Description of non-compliance:     NC against ETI/Additional Eleme     NC against customer code:	nts NC against Local Law	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)
Local law and/or ETI /Additional Ele	ments requirement:	ada p e . e e
Recommended corrective action:		
	Observation: Nothing to report	
Description of observation:		Objective evidence
Local law or ETI/Additional element	s requirement:	observed:
Comments:		
Goo	d Examples observed: Nothing to report	
Description of Good Example (GE):		Objective Evidence Observed:
Sun	nmary of sub-contracting - if applicable  Not Applicable please x	
A: Has the auditor made a simple calculation to compare capacity with workers' work load in order to identify possible unrecorded work or undeclared sub-contracting	Yes No A1: Please describe:	
B: If sub–contractors are used, is there evidence this has been agreed with the main client?	Yes No B1: If <b>Yes</b> , summarise details:	
C: Number of sub- contractors/agents used:		
D: Is there a site policy on sub- contracting?	Yes No D1: If <b>Yes</b> , summarise details:	
E: What checks are in place to ensure no child labour is being used and work is safe?		



Summary of homeworking – if applicable  Not Applicable please x				
A: If homeworking is being used, is there evidence this has been agreed with the main client?	Yes No A1: If <b>Yes</b> , summarise details:			
B: Number of homeworkers	B1: Male: B2: Female: Total:			Total:
C: Are homeworkers employed direct or through agents?	☐ Directly ☐ Through Agents		C1: If throu agents:	igh agents, number of
D: Is there a site policy on homeworking?	Yes No			
E: How does the site ensure worker hours and pay meet local laws for homeworkers?				
F: What processes are carried out by homeworkers?				
G: Do any contracts exist for homeworkers?	Yes No G1: Please give details			
	_	•		
H: Are full records of homeworkers available at the site?	☐ Yes ☐ No			



# 9: No Harsh or Inhumane Treatment is Allowed (Click here to return to summary of findings)

#### ETI

9.1 Physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited.

Additional elements:

9.2 companies should provide access to a confidential grievance mechanism for all workers

A: Are there published, anonymous and/or open channels available for reporting any violations of Labour standards and H&S or any other grievances to a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party?	Yes No A1: Please give details: Hotline, comment box
B: If <b>Yes</b> , are workers aware of these channels and have access? Please give details.	Interviewee confirmed possibility to use anonymous reporting any violations.
C: If yes, what type of mechanism is used e.g. hotline, whistle blowing mechanism, comment box etc. Please give details.	Confidence box
D: Which of the following groups is there a grievance mechanism in place for?	<ul> <li>✓ Workers</li> <li>✓ Communities</li> <li>✓ Suppliers</li> <li>✓ Other</li> <li>D1: Please give details: The company Confidence box is available for workers and also third parties.</li> </ul>
E: Are there any open disputes?	Yes No E1: If yes, please give details N/A
F: Does the site encourage its business partners (e.g. suppliers) to provide individuals and communities with access to effective grievance mechanisms (e.g. helplines or whistle blowing mechanism)	Yes No F1: If no, please give details: N/A
G: Is there a published and transparent disciplinary procedure?	Yes No G1: If no, please explain: N/A
H: If yes, are workers aware of these the disciplinary procedure?	Yes No H1: If no, please give details: N/A



I: Does the disciplinary procedure allow	Yes
for deductions from wages (fines) for	⊠No
disciplinary purposes (see wages	
section)?	11: If yes, please give details N/A

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

As per document review and workers interview, there is the Ethical Code on Harsh Treatment. The site has a functioning system to identify, manage and remediate any cases of harassment or inhumane treatment.

This includes a policy, disciplinary procedure, effective grievance mechanism, adequately recorded grievances.

Workers are aware of the policy, disciplinary procedure and grievance mechanism.

Workers report they can easily access the grievance mechanism and report that management responds to their grievance in a timely and appropriate manner.

The site actively trains managers and workers on fair treatment and monitors the effectiveness of the training.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

The policy on prevention of harassment and abuse in ETI Code

Any other comments: N/A

Non–compliance: Nothing to report			
Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)			
Local law and/or ETI requirement:			
Recommended corrective action:			



Observation: Nothing to report		
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI requirement:		
Comments:		

Good Examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:	



#### 10. Other Issue areas: 10A: Entitlement to Work and Immigration

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#### **Additional Elements**

10A.1 Only workers with a legal right to work shall be employed or used by the supplier.
10A.2 All workers, including employment agency staff, must be validated by the supplier for their legal right to work by reviewing original documentation.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

Per document review, factory management representation and worker interviews, all workers at the plant have legal right to work.

The site systematically verifies the right to work of all workers, including migrant workers.

The existence of an employment contract only on the basis of a work permit.

The site maintains adequate records for proof of right to work.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

Hiring procedure Personnel files

Migrant workers permit to work

Any other comments: N/A

Non–compliance: Nothing to report		
1. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI/Additional Elements  NC against customer code:  NC against customer code:	Objective evidence observed: (where relevant please add photo numbers)	
Local law and/or ETI /Additional Elements requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
2. Description of non-compliance:  NC against ETI/Additional Elements NC against customer code: Local law and/or ETI/Additional Elements requirement:		



Recommended corrective action:	
Observation: Nothing to report	
Description of observation:	Objective evidence
Local law or ETI/Additional Elements requirement:	observed:
Comments:	
Good examples observed: Nothing to report	
Description of Good Example (GE):	Objective Evidence Observed:



#### 10. Other issue areas 10B4: Environment 4-Pillar

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To be completed for a 4–Pillar SMETA Audit and remove the previous page which is 10B2 environment 2 pillar

#### **B.4.** Compliance Requirements

10B4.1 Businesses as a minimum must meet the requirements of local and national laws related to environmental standards.

10B4.2 Where it is a legal requirement, businesses must be able to demonstrate that they have the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources e.g. water, waste etc.

10B4.3 Businesses shall be aware of their end client's environmental standards/code requirements 10B4.4 Suppliers should have an environmental policy, covering their environmental impact, which is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

10B4.5 Suppliers shall be aware of the significant environmental impact of their site and its processes. 10B4.6 The site should measure its impacts, including continuous recording and regular reviews of use and discharge of natural resources e.g. energy use, water use (see 4-pillar audit report and audit checks for details).

10B4.7 Businesses shall make continuous improvements in their environmental performance.

10B4.8 Businesses shall have available for review any environmental certifications or any environmental management systems documentation

10B4.9 Businesses should have a nominated individual responsible for co-ordinating the site's efforts to improve environmental performance.

#### **B4.** Guidance for Observations

10B4.10 Suppliers should have completed the appropriate section of the SAQ and made it available to the auditor.

10B4.11 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for noncompliance to environmental regulations.

Note for auditors and readers. This environment section is intended to take not more than 0.25 auditor days. It is an assessment only and the main requirement is to establish whether a site is meeting applicable environmental laws and/or has any certifications or environmental management systems in place. Following this assessment, the client/supplier may decide a full environmental audit is required (see also best practice guidance/environment and guidance for auditor)

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is/are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

Company has an environmental policy, covering their environmental impact, which is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

Company is aware of the significant environmental impacts of their site and its processes.

The site measures its impacts, including continuous recording and regular reviews of use and discharge of natural resources e.g., energy use, water use.

Company makes continuous improvements in their environmental performance.

Businesses appointed a manager responsible for Environmental issues and co-ordinating the site's efforts to improve environmental performance – Mr. Miroslav Vlk – Production Manager.

The company meets all requirements of local and national laws related to Czech Law requirements. The company has the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources.

The company is aware of end client's environmental code requirements and has a system in place to monitor their performance against these.



The company hasn't been subject to any fines for noncompliance to local environmental regulations

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

All legally requirement documents
Company environmental policy, valid from 11/2021
Company Risk management procedure, valid from 11/2021
Energy bills
Waster bills
Waste transfer documents
Worker and management Interviews

Any other comments: N/A

Non–compliance: Nothing to report		
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Local law and/or ETI/Additional Elements requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		
Observation: Nothing to report		
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI/Additional elements requirements:	observed.	
Comments:		
Good examples observed: Nothing to report		
Description of Good Example (GE): Improvements based on energy audit - reduction of emissions by installing biomass boilers.	Objective Evidence Observed: Environmental company targets	





**Environmental Analysis** (Site declaration only - this has not been verified by auditor. Please state units in all cases below.) A: Is there a manager responsible for Environmental Mr. Miroslav Vlk - Production Manager issues (Name and Position): B: Has the site conducted a risk assessment on the B1: Please give details: Company Risk environmental impact of the site, including Management procedure, valid from 11/2021 implementation of controls to reduce identified risks? ☐ Yes ☒ No C: Does the site have a recognised environmental system certification such as ISO 14000 or C1: Please give details: Only ISO 9001 system equivalent? implemented Please give details.  $\boxtimes$  Yes  $\square$  No D: Does the site have an Environmental policy? (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria) D1: If yes, is it publicly available? Company environmental policy, valid from 11/2021 Posted at company premise E: If yes, does it address the key impacts from their Xes □ No operations and their commitment to improvement? E1: Please give details: Company commitment to reduce energy consumption, and waste reduction - biomass boilers installed ☐ Yes ⊠ No F: Does the site have a Biodiversity policy? (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria)  $\square$  Yes  $\boxtimes$  No G: Is there any other sustainability systems G1: Please give details: N/A present such as Chain of Custody, Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) etc.? Please gives details. (For guidance, please see Measurement criteria)  $\boxtimes$  Yes  $\square$  No H: Have all legally required permits been shown? H1: Please give details: Please gives details. Permission to operate biomass boilers, concessions for truck transport of 17/6/2011- with validity without restrictions I: Is there a documentation process to record ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A 11: Please give details: No chemicals are used in the hazardous chemicals used in the manufacturing process, the wood is heat treated against pests process? X Yes No J: Is there a system for managing client's requirements and legislation in the destination J1: Please give details: According to ISO 9001 countries regarding environmental and chemical requirement there is a Register of legislation and other requirements, last actualised on 9/11/2021. issues?



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environmental aspects e.g. water consumption and discharge, waste, energy and green-house gas emissions:	K1: Please give details: ISO system Targets for year 2021, energy reduction, waste reduction, regular emissions measurements without any fine.	
L: Facility has evidence of waste recycling and is monitoring volume of waste that is recycled.	Yes No L1: Please give details: yearly waste production report to ISPOP, last reported on February 2021	
M: Does the facility have a system in place for accurately measuring and monitoring consumption of key utilities of water, energy and natural resources that follows recognised protocols or standards?	Yes No M1: Please give details: Calibrated energy and water consumption meters, monthly monitored	
N: Has the facility checked that any Sub- Contracting agencies or business partners operating on the premises have the appropriate permits and licences and are conducting business in line with environmental expectations of the facility?	☐ Yes ☑ No N1: Please give details: No subcontractor operates in the premise	
Usage/Disch	arge analysis	
Criteria	Previous year: Please state period:2019	Current Year: Please state period:2020
Electricity Usage: Kw/hrs	970253 kW/hrs	1020805 kW/hrs
Renewable Energy Usage: Kw/hrs	0	0
Gas Usage: Kw/hrs	0	0
Has site completed any carbon Footprint Analysis?	☐ Yes ⊠ No	☐ Yes ☒ No
If <b>Yes</b> , please state result	N/A	N/A
Water Sources: Please list all sources e.g. lake, river, and local water authority.	• well •	• well
Water Volume Used: (m³)	953 m3	985 m3
Water Discharged: Please list all receiving waters/recipients.	watercourse	watercourse
Water Volume Discharged: (m³)	953 m3	985 m3
Water Volume Recycled:	0	0



(m³) Total waste Produced 34,07 tons 38,55 tons (please state units) Total hazardous waste Produced: 4,259 tons 3,855 tons (please state units) 0 0 Waste to Recycling: (please state units) 1,80 tons 2,10 tons Waste to Landfill: (please state units) 0 0 Waste to other: (please give details and state units) Total Product Produced Not provided Not provided (please state units)



#### 10C: Business Ethics – 4-Pillar Audit

(Click here to return to summary of findings)

To be completed for a 4-Pillar SMETA Audit

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#### 10C. Guidance for Observations

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10C.9 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for non-compliance to Business Ethics regulations. If so is there evidence that sustainable corrective actions have been implemented

Note for auditors and readers. This Business Ethics section is intended to take not more than 0.25 auditor days. It is an assessment not an audit.

#### **Current Systems and Evidence Examined**

To complete 'current systems' Auditors examine policies and written procedures in conjunction with relevant managers, to understand, and record what controls and processes are currently in place e.g. record what policies are in place, what relevant procedures are carried out, who is /are responsible for the management of this item of the code. Evidence checked should detail any documentary or verbal evidence shown to support the systems.

#### **Current systems:**

The company management is aware of its end client's business practices standards and ETI Code requirements and meets the requirements of local and national laws related to bribery, corruption, or any type of fraudulent Business Practices.

The company conducts their business ethically without bribery, corruption, or any type of fraudulent Business Practice.

Company has designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning business ethics – Ms. Vladimír Vlk, senior - company owner.

The company demonstrates that they comply with all fiscal legislative requirements and recently has not been subject to any fine for non-compliance to Business Ethics regulations.

There is a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with unethical Business Ethics without fear of reprisals towards the reporter in the facility.



The company has a Business Ethics policy, covering bribery, corruption, or any type of fraudulent Business Practice. The staff of sales and purchasing departments is trained on what action to take in the event of an issue arising in their area.

Facility communicates their Code of Ethics for Traders covering bribery, corruption, or any type of fraudulent Business Practice to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.

Evidence examined – to support system description (Documents examined & relevant comments. Include renewal/expiry date where appropriate):

Details:

Code of Conduct Supplier Code of Conduct Worker and management interview

Any other comments: N/A

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Local law and/or ETI/Additional Elements requirement:		
Recommended corrective action:		

Observation: Nothing to report		
Description of observation:	Objective evidence observed:	
Local law or ETI/Additional elements requirement:		
Comments:		



Good exampl	es observed: Nothing to report	
Description of Good Example (GE):		Objective Evidence Observed:
A: Does the facility have a Business Ethics Policy and is the policy communicated and applied internally, externally or both, as appropriate?	Internal Policy Policy for third parties including  A1: Please give details: Code of Conduct Supplier Code of Conduct	suppliers
B: Does the site give training to relevant personnel (e.g. sales and logistics) on business ethics issues?	Yes No B1: Please give details: Anti-corrup	tion training on 7/12/2021
C: Is the policy updated on a regular (as needed) basis?	Yes No C1: Please give details: Code of Co	onduct
D: Does the site require third parties including suppliers to complete their own business ethics training	Yes No D1: Please give details: Supplier Co	ode of Conduct sent to



Other findings

### Other Findings Outside the Scope of the Code

Nothing to report

### **Community Benefits**

(Please list below any specific community benefits that the site management stated that they were involved in, for example, HIV programme, education, sports facilities)

Nothing to report

# **Appendix 1**

Comparison between ETI code and Customer's Supplier's Code. Any areas where a site complies with the Customer's Supplier Code, but not with the ETI code are discussed at the audit close out meeting and recorded on the CAPR. Note to supplier "for this customer it may not be necessary to complete corrective actions where NC's DO NOT meet the ETI code, but DO meet your customer's code. If the audit is shared with other customers who work to the ETI code or an equivalent international standard, corrective actions will be necessary."  Not Applicable please x		
NOTE: The provisions of the ETI base Code constitute minimum and not maximum standards, and this code should not be used to prevent companies from exceeding these standards. Companies applying the ETI Base Code are expected to comply with national and other applicable law and, where the provisions of law and the ETI Base Code address the same subject, to apply that provision which affords the greater protection.	Instruction to Audit Company: fill in the relevant clauses from the Customer Supplier Code - where applicable.	
ETI Code / Additional Elements	Customer's Supplier Code equivalent	
0.A. Universal Rights covering UNGP	0.A. Universal Rights covering UNGP	
<ul> <li>0.A. Guidance for Observations</li> <li>0.A.1 Businesses should have a policy, endorsed at the highest level, covering human rights impacts and issues, and ensure it is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.</li> <li>0.A.2 Businesses should have a designated person responsible for implementing standards concerning Human rights</li> <li>0.A.3 Businesses shall identify their stakeholders and salient issues.</li> <li>0.A.4 Businesses shall measure their direct, indirect, and potential impacts on stakeholders (rights holders) human rights.</li> <li>0.A.5 Where businesses have an adverse impact on human rights within any of their stakeholders, they shall address these issues and enable effective remediation.</li> <li>0.A.6 Businesses shall have a transparent system in place for confidentially reporting, and dealing with human rights impacts without fear of reprisals towards the reporter.</li> </ul>		
0.B. Management Systems & Code Implementation	0.B. Management Systems & Code Implementation	
0.1 Suppliers are expected to implement and maintain systems for delivering compliance to this Code.		



0.2 Suppliers shall appoint a senior member of management who shall be responsible for compliance with the Code. 0.3 Suppliers are expected to communicate this Code to all employees. 0.4 Suppliers should communicate this code to their own suppliers and, where reasonably practicable, extend the principles of this Ethical Code through their supply chain.	
ETI 1. Forced Labour	ETI 1. Forced Labour
1.1 There is no forced, bonded or involuntary prison labour.  1.2 Workers are not required to lodge "deposits" or their identity papers with their employer and are free to leave their employer after reasonable notice.	
ETI 2. Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining are respected	ETI 2. Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining are respected
2.1 Workers, without distinction, have the right to join or form trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively.  2.2 The employer adopts an open attitude towards the activities of trade unions and their organisational activities.  2.3 Workers' representatives are not discriminated against and have access to carry out their representative functions in the workplace.  2.4 Where the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining is restricted under law, the employer facilitates, and does not hinder, the development of parallel means for independent and free association and bargaining.	
ETI 3. Working conditions are safe and hygienic	ETI 3. Working conditions are safe and hygienic
3.1 A safe and hygienic working environment shall be provided, bearing in mind the prevailing knowledge of the industry and of any specific hazards. Adequate steps shall be taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in the course of work, by minimising, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.  3.2 Workers shall receive regular and recorded Health & Safety training, and such training shall be repeated for new or reassigned workers.  3.3 Access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage shall be provided.	



<ul><li>3.4 Accommodation, where provided, shall be clean, safe, and meet the basic needs of the workers.</li><li>3.5 The company observing the code shall assign responsibility for Health &amp; Safety to a senior management representative.</li></ul>	
ETI 4. Child labour shall not be used	ETI 4. Child labour shall not be used
<ul> <li>4.1 There shall be no new recruitment of child labour.</li> <li>4.2 Companies shall develop or participate in and contribute to policies and programmes which provide for the transition of any child found to be performing child labour to enable her or him to attend and remain in quality education until no longer a child.</li> <li>4.3 Children and young persons under 18 shall not be employed at night or in hazardous conditions.</li> <li>4.4 These policies and procedures shall conform to the provisions of the relevant ILO Standards.</li> </ul>	
ETI 5. Living wages are paid	ETI 5. Living wages are paid
5.1 Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. In any event wages should always be enough to meet basic needs and to provide some discretionary income. 5.2 All workers shall be provided with written and understandable information about their employment conditions in respect to wages before they enter employment and about the particulars of their wages for the pay period concerned each time that they are paid. 5.3 Deductions from wages as a disciplinary measure shall not be permitted nor shall any deductions from wages not provided for by national law be permitted without the expressed permission of the worker concerned. All disciplinary measures should be recorded.	
ETI 6. Working Hours are not excessive	ETI 6. Working Hours are not excessive
<ul> <li>6.1 Working hours must comply with national laws, collective agreements, and the provisions of 6.2 to 6.6 below, whichever affords the greater protection for workers. Sub-clauses 6.2 to 6.6 are based on international labour standards.</li> <li>6.2 Working hours, excluding overtime, shall be defined by contract, and shall not exceed 48 hours per week.</li> </ul>	



6.3 All overtime shall be voluntary. Overtime shall be used responsibly, taking into account all the following: the extent, frequency and hours worked by individual workers and the workforce as a whole. It shall not be used to replace regular employment. Overtime shall always be compensated at a premium rate, which is recommended to be not less than 125% of the regular rate of pay. 6.4 The total hours worked in any 7 day period shall not exceed 60 hours, except where covered by clause 6.5 below. 6.5 Working hours may exceed 60 hours in any 7 day period only in exceptional circumstances where **all** of the following are met: this is allowed by national law; - this is allowed by a collective agreement freely negotiated with a workers' organisation representing a significant portion of the workforce; - appropriate safeguards are taken to protect the workers' health and safety; and - The employer can demonstrate that exceptional circumstances apply such as unexpected production peaks, accidents or emergencies. 6.6 Workers shall be provided with at least one day off in every 7 day period or, where allowed by national law, 2 days off in every 14 day period. ETI 7. No discrimination is practised ETI 7. No discrimination is practised 7.1 There is no discrimination in hiring, compensation, access to training, promotion, termination or retirement based on race, caste, national origin, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation. ETI 8. Regular employment is provided ETI 8. Regular employment is provided

## 8.1 To every extent possible work performed must be on the basis of recognised employment relationship established through national law and practice.

8.2 Obligations to employees under labour or social security laws and regulations arising from the regular employment relationship shall not be avoided through the use of labour-only contracting, sub-contracting, or home-working arrangements, or through apprenticeship schemes where there is no real intent to impart skills or

provide regular employment, nor shall any such obligations be avoided through the excessive use of fixed-term contracts of employment. Additional Elements: Responsible Recruitment 8.3 Suppliers have full understanding of the entire recruitment process and assess all labour recruiters and intermediaries against legal and/or ethical requirements. 8.4 There are effective management systems in place to identify and monitor the hiring and management of all migrant workers, contract workers, agency workers, temporary or casual labour The supplier shall implement processes to enable adequate control over agencies with regards the above points and related legislation. 8.5 Employment agencies must only supply workers registered with them. 8.6 Workers pay no recruitment fee at any stage of the recruitment process. 8.7 Worker contracts accurately reflect the agreed payment and terms in the recruitment process and are understood and signed by workers. 8A: Sub-Contracting and Homeworking 8A: Sub-Contracting and Homeworking 8A.1 There should be no sub-contracting unless previously agreed with the main client. 8A.2 Systems and processes should be in place to manage sub-contracting, homeworking and external processing. ETI 9. No harsh or inhumane treatment is allowed ETI 9. No harsh or inhumane treatment is allowed 9.1 Physical abuse or discipline, the threat of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse or other forms of intimidation shall be prohibited. Additional elements: 9.2 companies should provide access to a confidential grievance mechanism for all workers 10. Other Issue areas: 10A: Entitlement to Work and **Immigration Additional Elements** 10A.1 Only workers with a legal right to work shall be employed or used by the supplier. 10A.2 All workers, including employment agency staff, must be validated by the supplier for their legal right to work by reviewing original documentation. 10. Other issue areas 10B2: Environment 2-Pillar



10B2.1 Suppliers must comply with the requirements of local and international laws and regulations including having necessary permits.

10B2.2 The supplier should be aware of and comply with their end clients' environmental requirements.

Note for auditors and readers, this is not a full environmental assessment but a check on basic systems and management approach.

SMETA Extra Sections for 4 Pillar Audit:	SMETA Extra Sections for 4 Pillar Audit:
Environment Section	Environment Section
B.4. Compliance Requirements  10B4.1 Businesses as a minimum must meet the requirements of local and national laws related to environmental standards.  10B4.2 Where it is a legal requirement, businesses must be able to demonstrate that they have the relevant valid permits including for use and disposal of resources e.g. water, waste etc.  10B4.3 Businesses shall be aware of their end client's environmental standards/code requirements  10B4.4 Suppliers should have an environmental policy, covering their environmental impact, which is communicated to all appropriate parties, including its own suppliers.  10B4.5 Suppliers shall be aware of the significant environmental impact of their site and its processes.  10B4.6 The site should measure its impacts, including continuous recording and regular reviews of use and discharge of natural resources e.g. energy use, water use (see 4-pillar audit report and audit checks for details).  10B4.7 Businesses shall make continuous improvements in their environmental performance.  10B4.8 Businesses shall have available for review any environmental certifications or any environmental management systems documentation  10B4.9 Businesses should have a nominated individual responsible for co-ordinating the site's efforts to improve environmental performance.  84. Guidance for Observations  10B4.10 Suppliers should have completed the appropriate section of the SAQ and made it available to the auditor.  10B4.11 Has the site recently been subject to (or pending) any fines/prosecutions for noncompliance to environmental regulations.	
Business Practices Section	



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# **Photo Form**



Administrative building



Area plan



Workers' dressing room



Attendance electronic system



Production hall - trimming saw



Cutting logs in upper hall



Wooden planks shortening



Pallets Expedition



Firefighting equipment available



OBS: Blocked access to emergency exit



OBS corrected: Free access provided immediately



Modern biomass boiler installed





OBS: Rack for instruments used without load designation



OBS corrected: load designation labelled



Boxes for waste sorting



OBS: Fire hydrant barred by bags in the lower hall.



OBS corrected: Free access to hydrant ensured





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