GLOBAL CEO LEADERSHIP STATEMENT 2.0

THE GLOBAL FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO ADDRESS CRUCIAL SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES AND IMPROVE SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING FOR ALL.

The industry, the products it manufactures, and many of its sustainability achievements have the potential to impact economic growth; jobs; climate change mitigation; renewable energy; education and literacy; food safety and food waste reduction; human health and hygiene; rural development; sustainable cities; skilled workers; and healthy and safe working conditions.

The International Council of Forest and Paper Associations (ICFPA)—representing many of the top pulp, paper and wood producers around the world—takes action for a better world by committing to:

**PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT** (SFM) through a) certification of forestlands and products; b) procuring legal and sustainable wood sources only; and c) minimising ecosystem imbalances that may result from land management.

**IMPROVE RECYCLING AND RECLAMATION OF WOOD AND PAPER FIBRE** by advocating for improvement in the quantity and the quality of recovered materials to ensure they can be made into new products.

**STIMULATE INNOVATION** of manufacturing processes as well as traditional and innovative products through investments.

**CONSERVE WATER** by a) reducing, reusing and recycling the water used in the manufacturing process, and treating and cleaning water before it is returned to the environment; and b) practising SFM to mitigate impacts on surface and groundwater.

**MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE** by a) preserving and optimising carbon sequestration in forests and products; b) reducing greenhouse gas emissions through energy-efficient operations; and c) using carbon-neutral biomass energy in the manufacturing process.

**ENSURE AN ATTRACTIVE AND INCLUSIVE WORKPLACE** through a) risk management and prevention to diminish incidents and fatalities; and b) education and training to ensure all workers maintain and gain skills to thrive at work.

**OPTIMISE INDUSTRY PRODUCTS AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE CIRCULAR, BIO-BASED ECONOMY** by a) delivering products that are biodegradable and compostable; b) working to reduce the environmental footprint of products; and c) showcasing progress in a transparent manner.

THE ICFPA WILL WORK TO EARN THE TRUST OF STAKEHOLDERS AND COMMUNITIES WHERE THE INDUSTRY OPERATES BY TRANSPARENT REPORTING OF PROGRESS ON THESE COMMITMENTS.
ABOUT THE ICFPA

The ICFPA aims to benefit global society through collaboration with industry, governments and non-governmental organisations on public policies that facilitate the manufacture of sustainable products from virgin and recycled forest-based resources that meet human needs for information, packaging, housing, hygiene, energy and other innovative products.

The ICFPA serves as a forum of global dialogue among national and regional industry associations and their leadership to co-operate in the development of common positions on issues of mutual interest; represent the forest, paper, wood and forest fibre-based industries with global policy organisations; and co-ordinate action and distribute information through member associations.

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