Genetically Modified Organism Use Policy

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APRIL Group (APRIL) is committed to sustainable development in all locations where we operate by implementing best practices. This is achieved through the implementation of our Sustainable Forest Management Policy 2.0 and a commitment to comply with all prevailing laws and regulations as well as relevant SFM certification and assurance schemes.

APRIL declares that no GMOs are used or are present in license areas or areas where research takes place under the company’s direct or indirect responsibility.

Definitions

Genetically Modified Organism: Genetically engineered/modified organisms, and products thereof, are produced through techniques in which the genetic material has been altered in a way that does not occur naturally by mating and/or natural recombination (FAO)

Recommendation:

That an addendum be inserted into the current SFMP 2.0 - II. Forest Protection and Conservation e) “APRIL and its suppliers declare that no Genetically Modified Organisms are used or are present in locations where we operate or areas where research takes place under the companies direct responsibility.”

Approved

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