Eastman Naia™ cellulosic fiber sustainable dissolving wood pulp sourcing policy

At Eastman, sustainability is about creating value. We believe a truly sustainable company is one that creates significantly more value in the world than the resources it uses.

Eastman is steering a sustainable portfolio by identifying and assessing global macro trends and disruptions, while engaging in impactful partnerships to help create a pipeline of sustainable innovation that enhances the quality of life in a material way.

Sustainability includes how and where we source raw materials for our products, including sources reliant on forestry. Eastman is concerned that forestry practices in certain regions may threaten old-growth forests and may contribute to deforestation with potential negative impacts on the biodiversity and ecosystem integrity contained in these forests. Eastman takes a holistic and systems-based approach to sustainable forest management. Such an approach includes our commitment to the protection and conservation of ancient and endangered forests, which are intact forest landscape mosaics, naturally rare forest types, forest types that have been made rare due to human activity, and/or other forests that are ecologically critical for the protection of biological diversity.

Eastman’s policy:

- Prohibits the sourcing of dissolving wood pulp from controversial sources, which includes wood harvested from forests of high conservation value and ancient and endangered forests such as the Canadian and Russian boreal forests; coastal temperate rainforests; and tropical forests and peatlands of Indonesia, the Amazon and West Africa

- Prohibits sourcing from plantations converted after 1994, in the absence of an FSC certificate

- Prohibits the sourcing of dissolving wood pulp from endangered species habitats, illegal forestry and forestry in violation of traditional, community and/or civil rights

- Promotes sustainable forest management practices

- Reduces ecological and environmental impacts in the supply chain

- Selects collaborative suppliers committed to continual improvement through management of the sustainable forests from which they source and their associated supply chain; Eastman prefers sourcing wood pulp from suppliers that conform to the Forest Stewardship Council™ (license code FSC-C140711) forestry management program. Alternatively, an internationally recognized forestry management program, such as the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), may be accepted.

- Ensures transparency and traceability in our dissolving wood pulp supply chain by sourcing exclusively from suppliers committed to harvesting or sourcing wood from noncontroversial sources

- Invests in innovative circular economy solutions, including Eastman molecular recycling and Eastman carbon renewal technology

- Prohibits the sourcing of dissolving wood pulp from suppliers who do not support the United Nations Free, Prior and Informed Consent policy
Eastman is committed to conducting business in accordance with legal and ethical standards. This commitment is reflected in our Code of Business Conduct. We are committed to sourcing materials from suppliers that share our values, and we expect our suppliers to comply with our Third-Party Code of Conduct — Doing Business with Eastman.

All Eastman dissolving wood pulp suppliers must demonstrate: (a) commitment to complying with Eastman’s Sustainable Dissolving Wood Pulp Sourcing Policy, (b) conformance to the forestry standards of either the FSC or PEFC and (c) compliance with our Third-Party Code of Conduct. Eastman commits to only sourcing dissolving wood pulp from suppliers who meet this standard. Our dissolving wood pulp suppliers who are not in compliance with this policy are expected to implement corrective actions or face the prospect of not being considered by Eastman for future business.

Concerns regarding this policy or any potential violations of this policy may be reported through Eastman’s business conduct helpline: 1-800-455-5622.