



The mark of
responsible forestry



Alternative Heat Ltd are committed to the principles promoted by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)® of environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial and economically viable management of forests.

The adoption of the principles promoted by the Forest Stewardship Council® by Alternative Heat Ltd demonstrates its commitment to supporting responsible forest management practices that both protect biodiversity and ecosystem integrity.

Alternative Heat Ltd maintains Chain of Custody requirements in accordance with the FSC® Standards.

The aim of the Chain of Custody is to ensure the unbroken path of responsibly managed timber-based products from the forest to the consumer.

This encompasses all stages of processing, manufacturing, transportation and distribution.

Alternative Heat's Chain of Custody procedures will ensure that **FSC®** material is fully traceable throughout its supply chain.

It is the policy of **Alternative Heat Ltd** not to be directly or indirectly involved in the following activities:

- To trade in illegal wood or forest products
- Violation of traditional and human rights in forestry operations
- Destruction of high conservation values in forestry operations
- Significant conversion of forests to plantations or non-forest use
- Introduction of genetically modified organisms in forestry operations
- Violation of any of the ILO Core Conventions, (as defined in the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, 1998)

As a company certified by **Control Union** (an **FSC® Accredited** certification body), **Alternative Heat Ltd** are able to supply **FSC®** certificated wood products.

We have established and follow a rigorous Chain of Custody system, enabling the Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) logo to be used in accordance with the appropriate FSC Standard.

We achieve our objectives using a management system to ensure the following:

- The regular examination of suppliers and their certification
- The control and use of the FSC logo to comply with the appropriate FSC standard
- The control of purchasing of FSC materials
- The examination and control of material and its documentation on receipt
- The control of FSC material from storage through to supply
- The control of outsource operations
- The provision of appropriate despatch and invoicing documentation
- The examination of areas where this system could fail, with appropriate corrective action
- The training of personnel who could affect the FSC process
- The auditing of the systems to ensure that they are fit for purpose and are followed
- The management control of the above activities and systems and provide the basis for continual improvement

This policy statement is available to the public via our web-site.

Signed: 

Mr Connel McMullan
Managing Director

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Subject to Annual Review and revision by Management
