

Forest Management System – Summary Audit Report			
Client name:	PF Olsen Australia Pty Ltd	Certificate #	AFS 619365
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Audit type:	Recertification Assessment	Report date:	29 March 2018
Standard:	AS4708:2013	Auditor:	Ross Garsden
This document provides a summary of the findings contained in a report to this client with respect to the implementation of the client's management system as determined during an audit conducted by BSI.			

Scope of certification:
<p>The management of softwood and hardwood plantations in Victoria; South Australia; Southern NSW; Tasmania; and the south west of Western Australia.</p> <p>The scope of certification includes the harvesting and marketing of logs, wood chips and other forest products from these forests for domestic processing and export and the management of adjacent areas of native vegetation, which are excluded from wood production and managed primarily for conservation purposes.</p>

Executive summary:
<p>This report presents the findings of a rectification assessment of PF Olsen (Aus) Pty Ltd with respect to the requirements of AS4708:2013. The audit program included an assessment of forest assets and forest management activities in the South West of Western Australia as well as the recently included Murray River Forests Estate in Southern NSW. The assessment included the Albany Office (WA) , Tumut Office (NSW) and Head Office in Ivanhoe, Victoria.</p> <p>The audit has determined that the centrally-managed system operated by PF Olsen (Aus) Pty Ltd is being implemented effectively at the respective sites. There is no significant change to the Defined Forest Area and the scope of certification is unchanged.</p> <p>The audit included an assessment a range the company's processes and activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic planning and associated stakeholder engagement • Operational planning, including the identification of significant biodiversity and cultural heritage values • Forest harvesting and haulage operations • Biodiversity monitoring • Research and improvements in management of harvest residues and crop nutrition • Pest and disease monitoring and management activities • Contractor safety and operational controls <p>The audit included planned stakeholder engagement with a number of relevant stakeholders including harvest and haulage contractors and a representative from Birdlife Australia.</p> <p>Some key strengths of the company's management system identified during this audit included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ProMapp system management tool for managing processes

- Use of Noggin as a tool for monitoring operations and identifying actions to address deficiencies
- Demonstrated commitment to meaningful biodiversity monitoring – Birdlife Australia work
- Forest management based on a solid research footing supported by a demonstrated corporate commitment to ongoing research – Client support is critical
- Corporate support for new ideas and innovation PFOA in-house culture and passion (drive)
- Willingness of the company to encourage creative thinking and innovation.
- In-built system checks in FIPS and Noggin on critical control points e.g. chemical approvals process
- Corporate focus on safety, including random drug and alcohol testing across all staff and contractors, industry forums

The company has responded positively to the opportunities for improvement noted in the previous report and the actions taken in response are leading to demonstrable improvement. No non-conformities were identified during this audit.

A number of opportunities for improvement have been identified in this assessment in relation to:

- Definition of haulage routes
- Chain of custody arrangements
- Internal audit
- Biodiversity mapping – vegetation types across all properties
- Planned burns – asset protection and ecological requirements
- Cultural heritage sites – consistency with mapping symbology
- Medical fitness records

The audit has determined that PF Olsen (Aus) Pty Ltd continues to operate a management system that complies with the requirements of AS 4708:2013. A recommendation is made for recertification to the nominated Standard.

Once again, the positive and constructive participation of all staff involved in the planning and conduct of this assessment is noted and acknowledged.

Defined forest area statement

The DFA primarily consists of short rotation, blue gum plantations in three Forest Management Units (FMUs), namely: Green Triangle Region (Victoria and SA including Gippsland), Tasmania, and Western Australia. A fourth FMU in Southern NSW includes a minor softwood estate. The Green Triangle and Western Australia FMU's also include minor areas of softwood plantations.

Defined forest area (in hectares) as at 31 December 2017:	176,264 Ha
Advised to AFS Limited on:	8 March 2018
Certificate expires on:	24 May 2021

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