



Reactive Guidance

Material specific requirements for Forestry Processing Residues

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This reactive guidance refers to the following requirement in RSB-STD-11-001-01-010 v.1.0, clause H.2.6: “Operators shall provide evidence that the residues derive from forests/wood that is certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or any verification/certification scheme with equivalent sustainability requirements as approved by the RSB”

It was asked if the term “residues” in the above refers only to the category “forestry harvesting residues” or to the category “forestry harvesting residues and forestry processing residues”.

The Secretariat clarifies that the requirement for FSC (or equivalent) certification in clause H.2.6 does only refer to the category “forestry harvesting residues”.

The clarification is based on the facts that

- the previous version 0.7 of RSB-STD-11-001-01-010 as well as the currently valid version 1.6 of RSB-STD-01-010 require FSC (or equivalent) certification only for forestry harvesting residues and not for forestry processing residues, and
- the RSB does not intend to expand the requirement to forestry processing residues

References:

- RSB-STD-11-001-01-010 v.1.0. RSB EU RED H.6.1. in combination with H.6.3.2
- RSB-STD-01-010 Version 1.6 clause I.2.1. in combination with I.2.6