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A. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to document conformance with the requirements of the LegalSource standard by Danzer UK Ltd hereafter referred to as "Organisation". The report presents findings of LegalSource auditors, who have evaluated the Organisation's systems and performance against the applicable requirements. The sections below provide the audit conclusions and follow-up actions required by the Organisation.

Dispute resolution: If stakeholders have concerns or comments about the LegalSource standard or the auditing body, they are encouraged to contact their closest NEPCon regional office. Formal concerns and complaints should be sent in writing.

B. Scope

The LegalSource audit, report and certificate covers the following scope:

Report Type	
Report type:	Confidential

Organisation Details	
Primary contact:	Ian Spurling
Address:	46 Market Hill, Maldon, Essex, CM9 4QA
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Jurisdiction of primary legal entity:	United Kingdom
Primary Activity	Broker/trader with physical storage
Description of Organisation:	<p>Danzer UK Ltd, part of Danzer Group, is a trading company, with no production taking place. Danzer UK sales can be divided between sawn timber and added-value products (manufactured products such as worktops, flooring and mouldings). Most added-value products are single-species products, although the Organisation is beginning to work more with composite products such as engineered flooring and doors.</p> <p>In principle Danzer UK is a multi-site Organisation since storage takes place in separate locations, however no processing takes place, the material is simply stored. Multi-site requirements are therefore handled via the chain of custody system.</p> <p>Danzer UK is located in one office location in Maldon, Essex. Warehoused products are usually stored at an outsourced facility in Liverpool (Denholm Handling Ltd) or Maldon (D.W. Clarks & Sons Ltd). There are two other storage facilities in the UK.</p> <p>Danzer UK acts as a trader (taking legal possession) in 99% of its trading activity. For the other 1% it is acting as an agent (arranging purchases/sales and charging a commission, without taking legal possession). At the present time, Danzer UK imports from all continents except South America. Approximately 25% of its purchases are from within the Danzer group.</p> <p>The vast majority of products sourced from outside of Europe/ United States is purchased as certified (FSC 100%, FSC CW, PEFC) or under a private or public legality assurance verification (SVLK, OLB, MYTLAS, RA VLC).</p>

Certificate Scope	
Certificate Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single site certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Group/ Multi-site certificate
Standards Evaluated:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LegalSource Standard (LS-02) V2-1
Product scope:	<p>Sawn timber and added-value products (e.g. flooring, doors, mouldings, worktops, deckings).</p> <p>All products sourced by Danzer UK and supplied to its customers are included within the Due Diligence System (DDS). This is the case regardless of whether:</p> <p>a. the wood originated (Country of Harvest) from within or outside the EU b. the wood products are sourced from companies based within, or outside, the EU c. the purchase is from another company within Danzer Group.</p>
Changes to certificate scope since last audit:	None
Certificate Sites	
Site 1:	
Site name:	Danzer UK Ltd
Site Address/ Tel/Web/Email:	46 Market Hill, Maldon, Essex, CM9 4QA +44 1621 851002 / www.danzer.co.uk / ken.walsh@danzer.co.uk
Site Activity:	Broker/trader with physical storage
Product Scope:	<p>Sawn timber packets and added-value products (doors, moldings, worktops), all species</p> <p>4407: Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm.</p> <p>4409: Wood (including strips and friezes for parquet flooring, not assembled) continuously shaped (tongued, grooved, rebated, chamfered, V-jointed, beaded, moulded, rounded or the like) along any of its edges, ends or faces, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed</p> <p>4412: Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood</p> <p>4413: Metallised wood and other densified wood in blocks, plates, strips or profile shapes</p> <p>4418: Builders' joinery and carpentry of wood, including cellular wood panels, assembled flooring panels, shingles and shakes.</p> <p>940390: Other Furniture and Parts thereof.</p>
Site visited during audit:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Evaluation Process	
Audit team:	<p>Tim Roelandts</p> <p>Tim Roelandts is auditor for NEPCon in the Netherlands and Belgium. Tim has a Master in international relations and is carrying out CoC audits since 2012. He passed FSC and LegalSource lead auditor courses since 2016.</p>
Description of Audit Process:	<p>On 25 January 2024, the LegalSource audit of Danzer UK Ltd was conducted remotely.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening meeting, presentation of participants, audit programme and scope 2. Introduction by the Organisation and the current Due Diligence System (DDS) in practice. 3. Evaluation of quality management aspects of the DDS, including the documented procedures, including responsibilities, commitments made by the Organisation, procedures for internal monitoring and definition of product scope. 4. Evaluation of the general procedures for access to information, risk assessments and risk mitigation procedures adopted. 5. Evaluation of operational implementation of the DDS, including a sample of supply chains and the implementation of Due Diligence on the selected samples (access to information, risk assessment and risk mitigation). 6. Break for lunch 7. Continued evaluation of operational implementation of the DDS (see 5 above). 8. Collection of relevant evidence 9. Closing Meeting. <p>Interviews took place with the Danzer UK Compliance and systems manager (Ian Spurling).</p>
Actions taken by Organisation prior to report finalisation:	N/A
Notes for the next audit:	Next audit (2024) will be under the Preferred by Nature certification as part of the Sustainability framework, which was discussed during this audit, but not implemented yet.

C. Audit Findings

Audit Conclusion:	
Organisation approved: No non-conformances issued	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Organisation not approved:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional comments: N/A	

Non-Conformances

Non-conformance reports (NCRs) describe the non-conformances identified during audits. NCRs include defined timelines for the Organisation to demonstrate conformance. MAJOR non-conformances issued during assessments/reassessments shall be closed prior to issuance of the certificate. MAJOR non-conformances issued during annual audits shall be closed within the timeline specified in the NCR, or result in certificate suspension. Where applicable, all non-conformances against standard requirements are shown below:

N/A – None identified

Observations

Observations (Obs) are issued for the early stages of a problem which does not in and of itself constitute a non-conformance, but which the auditor considers may lead to a future non-conformance if not addressed by the Organisation or where general improvements may be made. Where applicable, all observations are shown below:

Observation #:	01/23
Standard & Requirement:	General Observation
Description of Observation: Next audit (2024) will be under the Preferred by Nature certification as part of the Sustainability framework. Applicable will be Annex 1b, annex 2 and annex 3 and annex 5. Annex 4 will be optional.	

D. Closed Non-Conformances

Closed Non-Conformances

This section indicates where the Organisation has adequately addressed non-conformances issued during or since the last audit.

Any non-conformances which cannot be closed remain open and appear in Section C (above). Failure to comply with a minor non-conformance results in the NCR being upgraded to major; the specified follow-up action is required by the Organisation or involuntary suspension will take place.

N/A