

Dekker Hout's response to Earthsight and Auriga Nusantara's findings in *Risky Business*, 24 July 2025

We are shocked by the accusations of the involvement of Kayu Multiguna with clearcut timbers and have put all contracts and shipments from them on hold until the situation is clarified. We would like to ask you to send us proof of the alleged buying of the mentioned clearcut logs by Kayu Multiguna in order for us to check every detail and verify the responses of the company. We sent our Dutch purchase manager immediately to their factory on Tuesday (22/7) to check many of your findings. Please find below a list of our observations at the yard and the factory:

- All the logs at the log yard were FSC certified and marked as such. Non FSC logs are kept at a different log yard
- All FSC material for Dekker's orders is coming from Buru (PT Gema Hutan Lestari) and all SVLK Sustainable timber for Dekker's past SVLK FLEGT orders was coming from Kalimantan (PT Mayawana Persada and PT Tanjung Redeb Hutani). We are currently re-checking all geo-locations after receiving your letter to confirm this.
- It seems that the Laporan Mutasi Kerja (LMK) data that can only be seen by Sucofindo, Forest department and the companies themselves. Please can you inform us how you obtained this data and confirm that you have not obtained this data illegally.
- It appears that Kayu Multiguna has bought timber from legal but non-sustainable sources on behalf of an Indian company for servicing the production of plywood. We do not want to be affiliated with the (possible) use of clearcut timber in Indonesia. Since we were not aware nor informed about this, we see this as a significant breach of trust and will investigate this thoroughly and discuss with them.
- As of the official date the EUDR will be in vigor, switching from the current EUTR system, we will only be accepting FSC and PEFC wood products. We will also be checking the origin of other timber at our suppliers' yard
- Lastly, according to Kayu Multiguna it seems very unlikely that an undercover agent has visited the factory in November 2024, since there was a huge fire at the factory in October and they were still very busy cleaning up in November and on behalf of the police department and the insurance company no people were allowed on the premises. We also learned that KMGI will address you with a formal reaction soon.

Thank you for the information you shared with us in your letter. Please feel free to share our full reaction (not parts of it) and please refrain from implying that Dekker has imported wood products from clearcut forests as there is absolutely no proof that wood from the Indian plywood company has been mixed into Dekker's orders.