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Bartłomiej Obajtek
Director
Regional Directorate of the State Forests in Gdańsk

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM 08.07.2022 (ZG.0152.1.12.2022)

Dear Mr. Bartłomiej Obajtek,

Firstly, I would like to thank you sincerely for your confidence in the FSC system. Our cooperation has now lasted more than 20 years, and I hope it will continue successfully.

Thank you for your comment letter on the Licence Agreement for FSC Certification Plan. Regarding its content, I would like to inform you that the key information has been forwarded to the relevant FSC departments. I would like to request that you please send us the specific points in this Agreement that raise your concerns, doubts or are inconsistent with Polish law. This information is necessary to enable us to address the substance in the next steps. To this end, please send detailed information and justification for the unacceptable provisions of the Agreement to licensing@fsc.org with our FSC Poland team in copy, who I understand have also been supporting you with your concerns - k.tymorek@fsc.org.

Additionally, I would like to let you know that on the 29th July FSC has published the next draft of the FSC Standard for Forest Management in Poland. Please bear in mind that this is not the final version of the FSC Standard. I strongly encourage you to participate in the public consultation of this Standard. We very much count on the involvement of the Regional Directorate of State Forests in Gdańsk in this revision phase.

Thank you also for the meeting in July with the FSC Coordinators for Poland. Following this, I would like to invite you to continue to contact them directly if there is a need to clarify any issues related to the FSC system and organisation.

Yours sincerely,



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