



## SEC and CASE step up engagement efforts by getting leading supermarkets, pharmacies, furniture retailers to declare that their wood, paper and/or pulp materials are procured from sustainable sources

**Singapore, 7 October 2015** – The Singapore Environment Council (SEC) and Consumers Association of Singapore (CASE) are stepping up its engagement efforts to get leading supermarkets, pharmacies and furniture retailers to declare that they have not procured or used wood, paper and/or pulp materials from the companies accused of causing fires in Indonesia. These actions are being taken shortly after our press statement issued on Monday informing that ten companies with paper products certified under the Singapore Green Labelling Scheme (SGLS) administered by the SEC and sold in Singapore have no links to those companies causing fires in Indonesia.

These major supermarkets, pharmacies and furniture retailers operate several outlets from which consumers purchase paper-based products. They are a good starting point for retailers to commit to a green procurement process and for consumers to show their support for brands that have environmentally friendly practices. With heightened efforts from both retailers and consumers, SEC and CASE are confident that more companies will join us to promote environmentally friendly conduct.

SEC and CASE will be sending declaration forms to the following companies and their subsidiaries (view Table 1) on 7 October 2015 and expect these companies to respond positively within one week.

**Table 1 - List of companies that SEC will be sending out declaration forms to declare that they have not procured or used wood, paper and/or pulp materials from unsustainable sources.**

| No. | Companies                                 | Subsidiaries           |
|-----|---|------------------------|
| 1   | Ikea Singapore                            | -                      |
| 2   | Prime Supermarket                         | -                      |
| 3   | Sheng Siong                               | -                      |
| 4   | NTUC Unity Healthcare                     | -                      |
| 5   | Watsons Singapore                         | -                      |
| 6   | NTUC FairPrice Co-Operative               | -                      |
| 7   | Dairy Farm International Holdings Limited | Cold Storage           |
|     |   | Giant Singapore        |
|     |   | Market Place by Jasons |
|     |   | Guardian Singapore     |

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|  |  | 7-Eleven |
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To-date, 12 companies out of the listed 17 have signed and returned the declaration forms to SEC. For the rest of the five companies that did not submit a valid declaration form, SEC will institute temporary restriction on the use of the Green Label granted to the companies pending further investigations. Please refer to the Annex for the updated list of companies which have signed the declaration forms.

Should any of the listed companies which have signed up for the Singapore Green Labelling Scheme (SGLS) become involved in the purchasing or sourcing of wood, paper and/or pulp products from those suspected to be responsible for the haze pollution, they are bound by the declaration to inform the SEC of their activities and will be promptly removed from the list.

SEC and CASE encourage other companies which wish to participate in the SGLS to contact SEC soonest for certification that their products are from sustainable sources.

**Annex : List of companies that have declared that they have not procured or used wood, paper and/or pulp materials from unsustainable sources**

| No | Company                             | Brand  | Description   |
|----|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| 1  | Sunlight Paper Products Pte Ltd     | SUNLIGHT - JRC-001   | 2 PLY TOILET PAPER A GRADE PURE WHITE   |
|    |                                     | SUNLIGHT - PHT-001   | 1 PLY TOWELLING PAPER   |
| 2  | Taisin Paper (S) Pte Ltd            | HYGIENE PAPER  | TOILET PAPER / JUMBO TOILET ROLL / HAND TOWEL / FACIAL TISSUE / NAPKIN PAPER / SERVIETTES |
| 3  | Kimberly-Clark Products (M) Sdn Bhd | SCOTT/TOILET PAPER   | RECYCLE PAPER USED. CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES                                     |
|    |                                     | SCOTT/PAPER TOWEL  | RECYCLE PAPER USED. CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES                                     |
| 4  | Fudak Sendirian Berhad              | JRT JUMBO ROLL TISSUE  | JUMBO ROLL TISSUE   |
| 5  | Spot-On Hygiene Pte Ltd             | SPOT-ON-HYGIENE  | JUMBO ROLL TISSUE, MINI ROLL TISSUE, M-FOLD TISSUE, HAND ROLL TOWEL TISSUE                |
| 6  | RJ Paper Pte Ltd                    | EXEL RANGE   | PRINTING PAPER/51% RECYCLED, FSC - CERTIFIED  |
|    |                                     | ENVIRO WOVE  | PRINTING PAPER/100% RECYCLED, FSC - CERTIFIED   |
| 7  | UPM (China) Co Ltd                  | UPM YES SILVER MULTIFUNCTION PAPER (70/75/80gsm)                                 | WOOD FREE UNCOATED COPY / OFFICE PAPER  |
|    |                                     | UPM OFFICE MULTIFUNCTION PAPER (70/75/80gsm)                                     | WOOD FREE UNCOATED COPY / OFFICE PAPER  |
| 8  | Fuji Xerox Singapore Pte Ltd        | FUJI XEROX   | BUSINESS+ / PERFORMER+  |
| 9  | April Fine Paper Trading Pte Ltd    | PAPERONE™ DIGITAL  | 100gsm PRINTING PAPER   |
|    |                                     | PAPERONE™ ALL PURPOSE  | 80gsm PRINTING PAPER  |
|    |                                     | PAPERONE™ COPIER   | 70gsm PRINTING PAPER  |
| 10 | Canon Singapore Pte Ltd             | CANON BUSINESS HIGH GRADE PAPER / CANON OFFICE PAPER / CANON MULTI-PURPOSE PAPER | COPIER PAPER (70/80 GSM)  |
| 11 | Mukim Fine Papers Pte Ltd           | TAURO UNCOATED PAPER   | UNCOATED PAPER  |
| 12 | Tipex Pte Ltd                       | GOODLIFE   | TOILET ROLL - 100% RECYCLE  |
|    |                                     | BEAUTEX  | TOILET ROLL - 100% RECYCLE  |



## ABOUT THE SINGAPORE ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

Established in 1995, the Singapore Environment Council (SEC) is an independently managed, non-government organisation that nurtures, facilitates and co-ordinates environmental causes in Singapore. SEC's work is founded on three pillars of action – Firstly, partnership with the people, private and public sectors of Singaporean society, to nurture a culture aligned with sustainable development concepts. Secondly, SEC rewards environmental excellence through awards schemes and product endorsement programmes, such as the Singapore Green Labelling Scheme. Thirdly, the SEC collaborates with partners to develop and implement training and learning programmes to build competencies in environmental sustainability within companies, thus keeping our business leaders ahead of the curve. Visit our website at [www.sec.org.sg](http://www.sec.org.sg).

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## ABOUT THE CONSUMERS ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

The Consumers Association of Singapore (CASE) is an independent, non-profit organisation that is committed towards protecting consumers' interest through information and education, and promoting an environment of fair and ethical trade practices. One of its key achievements is in advocating for the Consumer Protection (Fair Trading) Act (CPFTA) which came into effect on March 1, 2004.

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## ABOUT THE SINGAPORE GREEN LABELLING SCHEME

The Singapore Green Labelling Scheme (SGLS) is administered by the Singapore Environment Council (SEC) and is one of the region's largest and most established environmental certification labels. The SGLS was introduced in 1992 to drive environmental consciousness and responsibility by allowing consumers to choose products meeting eco-standards that are assessed to be "environmentally friendly". With a suite of 50 product categories from paint & surface coatings, office furniture & flooring, to household appliances and personal care products, SGLS has certified more than 3,000 unique products across 27 countries.

SEC's membership in the Global Ecolabelling Network (GEN) – which consist of 25 other member countries from various parts of the world – enables SGLS-endorsed products to be more recognised and accepted outside of Singapore by GEN member countries in Southeast Asia, North Asia, North America and Europe. For more information on SGLS, please visit [www.sgl.ssec.org.sg](http://www.sgl.ssec.org.sg).

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