

Enviva Greenwood - Fiber Procurement and Sourcing

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Enviva Greenwood - Response to Fiber Procurement and Sourcing 09_22_2020.docx; Longleaf Alliance MOU Press Release_3_27_20_AM_FINAL.pdf; PublicHearingComments_EnvivaPelletsGreenwood_CesafskyKim.pdf;

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Jo Anna,

Please find the attached documents to address the additional information requested as it pertains to our fiber procurement and sourcing policies. I have also included information about Enviva's partnership with the Longleaf Alliance and public comment submitted by our Director of Sustainability Policy.



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Enviva Pellets Greenwood, LLC
Response to Statements Regarding Fiber Procurement and Sourcing

I am writing, as requested, to provide additional information related to the following comment received by SC DHEC after last month's Enviva Pellets Greenwood hearing:

"Enviva should be limited to the number of trees we cut down and responsible for reforestation."

As highlighted in the comments submitted to your agency by Kim Cesafsky, Enviva's Director of Sustainability Policy, which I have reattached here, Enviva considers these and other sustainability-related issues very closely when making decisions on locating our facilities. Because of the value we place in forests and also because of the regulatory requirements in our end use markets, Enviva will not build or acquire a mill in an area where the forest resource is being used at unsustainable rate (i.e. trees are being cut faster than they are growing) and we will not accept wood from a harvest where the landowner intends to convert to a different land use other than forestry.

These requirements are included in Enviva's Responsible Sourcing Policy as well as the third party sustainability standards, such as the Sustainable Biomass Program (SBP), to which we are audited and assessed every year.

SBP also requires certified mills to publish an annual summary report that provides evidence of compliance with the requirements of their standard. The most recent report for the Greenwood mill includes the following:

- According to data from the USFS Forest Inventory and Analysis program, forest inventory in the Greenwood supply basin has increased steadily since 2000 at an average annual rate of about 1%. (See figure below and pages 1-2 of the report.)