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UPM and REACH

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

## **UPM MEETS ALL REQUIREMENTS OF REACH**

UPM meets all the set requirements of REACH and welcomes REACH as a positive development in streamlining EU chemical legislation.

UPM has actively worked with CEPI and national associations to make sure that all necessary steps are taken to fulfil the requirements of REACH.

UPM is mainly a 'downstream-user' of chemicals and has taken the necessary steps to make sure that all our chemical suppliers are aware of the REACH requirements.

UPM's main raw materials (e.g. wood, fillers and coating pigments nor chemical and mechanical pulp) are not included in REACH according to the current legislation and do not need to be registered. PCC, used as filler in paper production, is included in REACH and it has been pre-registered by the suppliers.

UPM paper, pulp, plywood, timber products or bio composites are not to be considered as 'substances' under REACH, nor do they have a risk that compounds of very high concern are contained on a concentration level which results in need of registration on "preparations/articles" level.

The UPM Biofuels products and by-products and intermediates of chemical pulping have been registered as required in REACH legislation.

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### **About REACH:**

EU Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) is the European chemicals legislation that came into force in June 2007. REACH aims to promote sustainable development by improving the protection of human health and environment