

- Wood harvested from forests in which high environmental, ecosystem, and cultural values are threatened by management activities
- Wood harvested from forests containing protected and endangered species, including requirements of CITES, where applicable
- Wood harvested from areas where significant conversion of forests and other wooded ecosystems to plantations or to non-forest areas took place after December 31, 2010
- **Verification:** Supply from suppliers & sources in high priority countries should be independently verified for low risk of controversial sources contributing to deforestation.

High Priority Country List

Countries where supply should be **verified** for low risk of controversial sources contributing to deforestation:

- Indonesia (fiber source)
- Malaysia (wood chips source)
- China (fiber source and trader)
- Thailand (fiber source)
- Colombia (fiber source)

Countries where practices should be **monitored** for potential deforestation due to pulp, paper and packaging demand:

- Myanmar
- Vietnam
- PNG
- Cambodia
- DRC, Cameroon, Ghana

The working group will periodically review and discuss the need to update the high priority country list including the need to move countries from the monitor list to the verify list.

Considerations for selecting high priority countries include:

- Presence of tropical forests
- Risk of deforestation due to wood fiber for pulp, paper or packaging
- Publicly available information such as The EU Commission Working Document: Addressing the challenges of deforestation and forest degradation to tackle climate change and biodiversity loss - IMPACT ASSESSMENT (2008)
- Input from NGOs
- Input from suppliers

CGF companies may determine additional countries to be of high priority to their individual businesses based on their specific sourcing activities. Additional tools to assist companies with developing company-specific high priority country lists include the Global Forest Risk Registry <http://www.globalforestregistry.org> and the Transparency International Corruption Perception Index.

The CGF working group will facilitate the sharing of tools to assist companies with conducting risk assessments of their pulp, paper and packaging supply chains.