



Deforestation Policy

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Background

As part of our commitment to nourishing our planet, we acknowledge that deforestation poses a serious climate and biodiversity threat. Del Monte Foods accepts the Accountability Framework's definition of deforestation as the loss of natural forest, legally or illegally, as a result of: conversion to agriculture or other non-forest land use; conversion to a plantation; or severe and sustained degradation. Due to our product portfolio and geography, deforestation-linked commodities are not highly relevant to Del Monte Foods. The deforestation-linked commodities Del Monte Foods does source that are considered deforestation-linked (beef and timber and wood fiber, for example) are minimal contributors to the company's overall Greenhouse Gas footprint. Nonetheless, we plan to do our part to limit the risk of deforestation throughout our supply chain. This policy outlines actions we are taking to implement and maintain a no-deforestation commitment.

Commitment

Del Monte Foods is committed to maintaining no deforestation across its primary deforestation-linked commodities. While not material to our environmental footprint, we plan to make efforts to reduce emissions caused by deforestation throughout our beef and paper ("High Risk Products") supply chains due to their high-risk potential.

Our Approach

All suppliers of High-Risk Products shall review this policy and confirm with Del Monte Foods that such products sold to Del Monte Foods are committed to no deforestation. Suppliers are expected to confirm that their operations and supply chains do not directly contribute to deforestation or loss of biodiversity and to comply with Del Monte Foods's requests for more information about traceability. Del Monte Foods will prioritize working with suppliers who commit to no deforestation.

Traceability is key to ensuring deforestation-free supply chain. At Del Monte Foods, we have a system in place for all of our ingredients to promote traceability throughout our supply chain. For our raw ingredients, we use electronic tracking to monitor product movement from farm to factory, and factory to retailer. This enables us to precisely identify the sources of all ingredients in our products. Furthermore, we apply the same traceability standards to our co-packers and third-party operated facilities.

Beef

The majority of our beef products come from the United States, which is considered low risk by Global Forest Watch and the World Resources Institute for deforestation. For other origins, we work with our suppliers to obtain information about their beef supply to adhere to our Deforestation Policy.

Timber and Wood Fiber

We are members of the Sustainable Packaging Coalition (SPC), which provides a guide for verifying responsible sourcing of fiber. Our efforts are ongoing and in line with leading practices in the industry, including obtaining forestry certifications where applicable, incorporating recycled paper content, and tracking supplier environmental standards. We will track this information and report updates at least annually on our website.