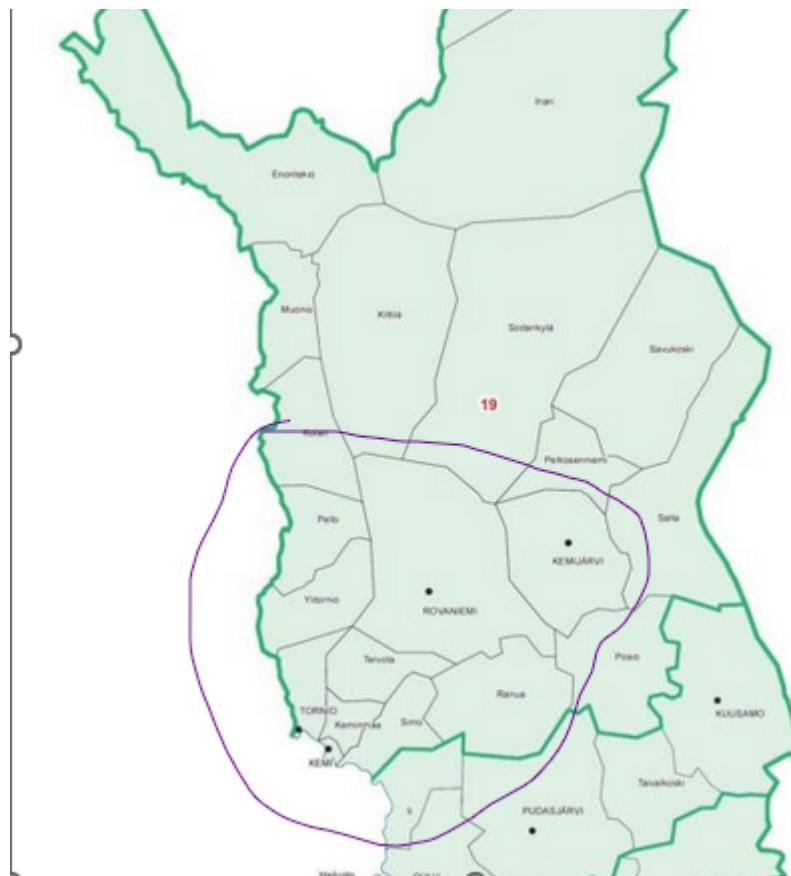


Due diligence – Own assurance**The Regulation on Deforestation Free Products (EUDR) (EU) 2023/111**

Operator	Veljekset Vaara Oy Viantie 70b FI-95300 Tervola Vat: FI04167078
Activity	Sawing, planing, and painting of wood.
Products	Sawn timber, planed wood products, industrially painted exterior and interior cladding products, structural and construction timber.
	Used tree species: Pine (<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>), Spruce (<i>Picea abies</i>). Raw materials for the products are primarily supplied from the southern Lapland area by our forest company, Vaaran Metsä (see map). We also use raw materials supplied by our partners, who are committed under their own assurance to comply with the EUDR requirements.



Operating method

The raw materials used are harvested from forest land designated for forestry use. A forest use notification is submitted to the Forest Centre (the supervisory authority) for each logging operation. Every phase of forest handling ensures the regeneration and vitality of forests. The obligation and responsibility for forest regeneration rest with the forest owner.

Legislation

Forest Act (12.12.1996/1093)

Chapter 2

Logging and forest regeneration (20.12.2013/1085)

5 §: Thinning and related regeneration obligation

5a §: Regeneration felling and related regeneration obligation

8 §: Fulfillment of the regeneration obligation

8a §: Tree species used in forest regeneration

9 §: Responsibility for the regeneration obligation

25 §: Duties of the Finnish Forest Centre

We comply with the Forest Act and forestry recommendations. The Forest Act mandates care in forest regeneration in both thinning and regeneration fellings. Forestry recommendations provide detailed guidelines on the best regeneration practices for different sites.

Insurance

By presenting this due diligence statement, we confirm that the due diligence as required by the Regulation (EUDR) (EU) 2023/111 has been followed, and there is no detected risk that the mentioned products are non-compliant with said regulation.

Links to the Forest Act and forestry recommendations

<https://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1996/19961093>

<https://www.finlex.fi/sv/laki/ajantasa/1996/19961093?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=skogslag>

<https://metsanhoidonsuositukset.fi/fi/toimenpiteet/puulajin-ja-uudistamismenetelman-valinta>

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