



Supply Base Report:

Palser Bioenergia e Paletes, Lda Fourth Surveillance Audit

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1 Overview

Producer name:	Palser Bioenergia e Paletes, Lda
Producer address:	Edifício Palser, Zona Industrial, Apartado 25, 6101-909 Sertã, Portugal
SBP Certificate Code:	SBP-01-32
Geographic position:	39.804600, -8.099100
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Company website:	www.palser.pt
Date report finalised:	08 Feb 2025
SBR reporting period from:	01 Jan 2024
SBR reporting period to:	31 Dec 2024
Name of the Certification Body:	Preferred by Nature OÜ
Certification Body Approval date:	21 Feb 2025
SBP Standard(s) used:	SBP Standard 2: Feedstock Verification v2.0, SBP Standard 4: Chain of Custody v2.0, SBP Standard 5: Collection and Communication of Data v2.0, Instruction Document 5E: Collection and Communication of Energy and Carbon Data v2.0
Feedstock origin (countries)	Portugal, Spain
Weblink to Standard(s) used:	https://sbp-cert.org/documents/standards-documents/standards

2 Description of the Biomass Producer and the Supply Base

2.1 Description of the company

The Palser group started in 1984 as a result of the efforts of two workers who had the opportunity to acquire a small sawmill, to which they subcontracted the sawing of the logs. Currently Palser has two plants, in Sertã and Palmela. The manufacturing area is

75,000 m² in each plant, of which 20,000 m² are covered in Sertã and 7,000 m² in Palmela. Palser group main activities are sawmilling, production and recovery of pallets and wooden packaging in three plants, production of electricity and, since 2013, wood pellets.

In 2020, Palser, Lda. installed a new factory and has already started the production of compressed blocks, using wood chips, that is a residue from the sawnwood process.

As a result of this evolution the company has become more competitive in the sector, both nationally and internationally. Palser - Investimentos, S.A. is responsible for management of its subsidiaries, in addition to holding stakes and various investments.

Certifications:

Since 1992 Palser is certified by the European Pallet Association for the production of EPAL pallets with the PT006 brand. It is also certified by Plastics Europe of Belgium (Chemical Industry), ANFEVI of Spain (Glass Industry) and C.S.V.M.F. of France (Glass Industry).

ENplus certification since September 2014, being the PT006 manufacturer for the production of D6mm wood pellets, class ENplus -A1.

Palser's Quality Management System has been certified since September 2000, by the NP EN ISO 9001 Standard, for the design, manufacture and marketing of wooden pallets and packages, marketing of lumber and pellet production.

Palser has certified its Chain of Custody on two globally recognized systems: FSC® (Forest Stewardship Council ®) and PEFC (Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification schemes), which allows it to make certified products available to its customers on request.

It also holds the authorisation to treat wood and wood packaging material in accordance with FAO International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No 15, number PT-4279. SBP Certification was implemented in September 2016.

Products included in the scope of SBP Certification: *Pellets*

Number of employees: *190*

Annual maximum production capacity (metric tonnes): *60000*

Number of direct feedstock suppliers: *15*

Approximate number of feedstock sub-suppliers: *500*

Description of the chain-of-custody and upstream supply chain:

The Organisation holds a valid FSC Chain of Custody (SGSCH-COC-009172) with pellets included in the product group and FSC Controlled wood in the scope of the certificate. The Organisation has implemented FSC percentage system. All the input materials are from Portugal or Spain and are received either with an FSC certified claim or an FSC Controlled wood claim, or controlled by Palser FSC Controlled Wood system. Incoming wood reception is duly recorded and maintained. All material is checked during the arrival and correctly recorded in the internal system. Before starting certified production all the processing cycle is emptied. In case of FSC and/or SBP sales, the volume of sold pellets is withdrawn from the percentage account.

2.2 Detailed description of the Supply Base

Guidance: Tables below have been generated automatically for each sourcing country based on the selection of 'Feedstock origin (countries)' in section 1 above.

Annex 1 is generated by the system if the SBP SBE is used without Regional Risk Assessment(s) (RRAs). In case RRA(s) is used, further details shall be given only in section 3 below.

Annex 2 is generated if RED II SBE is in the scope for each country separately.

Country	Portugal
Area/Region	Continent
Exclusions	
Feedstock types	Processing residues
Feedstock Product Groups	Processing residues feedstock (4A)
Feedstock inputs	SBP Compliant feedstock , SBP Controlled feedstock
Is the forest managed to supply energy and non-energy markets?	No
For the forests in the Supply Base, is there an intention to retain, restock or encourage natural regeneration within 5 years of felling?	Yes - Majority
Risk assessment(s)	N/A – Primary and/or Processing residues certified to an SBP- recognised controlled scheme
Provide a concise summary of why a SBE was determined to be required or not required here:	
SBE not required as Palser only uses sawmill residues with a recognized certification claim (FSC) for selling pellets with an SBP-compliant biomass claim.	
Feedstock types included in SBE:	N/A
Includes RED II SBE:	No
Includes RED II TOF:	No
Size of Supply Base area (million ha):	3.4725
Map(s) of the Supply Base area:	



Country	Spain
Area/Region	
Exclusions	

Feedstock types	Processing residues
Feedstock Product Groups	Processing residues feedstock (4A)
Feedstock inputs	SBP Compliant feedstock , SBP Controlled feedstock
Is the forest managed to supply energy and non-energy markets?	No
For the forests in the Supply Base, is there an intention to retain, restock or encourage natural regeneration within 5 years of felling?	Yes - Majority
Risk assessment(s)	N/A – Primary and/or Processing residues certified to an SBP- recognised controlled scheme
Provide a concise summary of why a SBE was determined to be required or not required here:	
SBE not required as Palser only uses sawmill residues with a recognized certification claim (FSC) for selling pellets with an SBP-compliant biomass claim.	
Feedstock types included in SBE:	N/A
Includes RED II SBE:	No
Includes RED II TOF:	No
Size of Supply Base area (million ha):	27.9000
Map(s) of the Supply Base area:	



2.3 Feedstock information

a. Total volume of Feedstock: 200,000-400,000 m³

b. Volume of primary feedstock: 0

c. List of all the species in primary feedstock, including scientific name:

Pinus pinaster

Maritime pine

d. Was the feedstock used in the biomass removed from a forest as part of a pest/disease control measure or a salvage operation? No

Explanation: Palser only uses processing residues from sawmills to produce pellets.

e. Hardwood (i.e. broadleaf trees): specify proportion of feedstock from (%): 0.00

f. Softwood (i.e. coniferous trees): specify proportion of feedstock from (%): 100.00

g. Proportion of feedstock composed of or derived from saw logs by weight (%): 0.00

h. Indicate how you determine the proportion of saw log: Specification used by the sawmill closest to where the wood was grown.

i. Roundwood from fellings from forests with > 40 yr rotation times - Average % volume of fellings delivered to BP (%): 0.00

j. Select forest type(s) where the primary feedstock was sourced from: Other

k. Select the main harvesting system(s) used for the sourced primary feedstock: Mix of the above

l. Volume of primary feedstock from primary forest:

m. Volume of processing residues feedstock: 200,000-400,000 m³

Physical form of the feedstock: Chips, Sawdust

n. Share of SBP-recognised system claim for processing residues:

100 % FSC

o. Volume of post-consumer feedstock: 0

Physical form of the feedstock: Chips, Sawdust

p. Estimated amount of REDII-compliant sustainable feedstock that could be collected annually by the BP: 100 %

q. What is the estimated amount of REDII-compliant sustainable feedstock that could be harvested annually in a Supply Base (estimated): 200000.00 m³

Explanation: Palser intends to produce wood pellets with 100% of its feedstock as REDII-compliant feedstock.

3 Supply Base Risk Assessments and Risk Management Measures

Guidance: Biomass Producers shall demonstrate that any specified risks of sourcing feedstock not in compliance with SBP Standard 1 have been adequately reduced to low risk, following Standard 2 requirements. Following section applies to Biomass Producer's implementing SBP Supply Base Evaluation (SBP RRA or company own risk assessment). RED II Supply Base Evaluation details are reported in Annex 2.

Not Applicable – Supply Base Evaluation not implemented

3.1 Summary of the Supply Base Evaluation

3.2 Conflicts with applicable national and sub-national legislation

3.3 Risk Management Measures

Guidance: Please provide more details about specified risk indicators in each supply country and describe mitigation measures taken to address all specified risks associated with indicators.

4 Stakeholder engagement

4.1 General description

Biomass Producer's stakeholder engagement start date: 01 Jan 2025

Biomass Producer's stakeholder engagement end date: 11 Feb 2025

Total number of stakeholders contacted: 38

Give a general description of the process of Stakeholders Engagement, including stakeholders contacted, method of communication and a summary of the comments received:

Annex 1 (SBE) not applicable to Palsar.

The company has identified key stakeholders, including Authorities, Municipalities, Town Councils, Representative Entities, Forest Associations, Suppliers, Clients, Expertises, Fire Corporations, Labour unions, etc.

The Supply Base Report and more information about company activities is available to all stakeholders on company website and may be sent upon request.

On website there is a contact form and the main contacts of company are available, thus Stakeholder engagement is on-going.

4.2 Response to stakeholder comments

Stakeholder description: all

Stakeholder comment: no comments

Response to the stakeholder: not applicable

5 Report updates and approval

This document is: Updated SBR (surveillance audits/scope-change audits)

Summary of changes: N/A

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Title	Management representative
Date of report approval	08 Feb 2025



Annex 1: Detailed findings for Supply Base Evaluation indicators



Annex 2: RED II Supply Base Evaluation

Not Applicable (RED II SBE not included)

Annex 3: SBP Processing residues and/or Post-consumer feedstock requirements

Not Applicable (Processing Residues and/or post-consumer feedstock not used)

Verification and monitoring of suppliers

Palser has documented its procedure for verification and monitoring suppliers in its SBP procedures. Under REDII, secondary material suppliers are visited at least annually the square root of the total number of such material producers. Applicable record documents are supplier declarations and supplier evaluations.

Feedstock inspection and classification upon receipt

The Quality responsible checks and verifies the authenticity of the specific and required documentation and other evidence regarding quantity, quality, and compliance with the definitions for the material categories under REDII requirements. Palser has documented its procedure for verification and monitoring suppliers in its SBP procedures.

Supplier audit for processing residues and post-consumer feedstock

Palser has documented its procedure for verification and monitoring suppliers in its SBP procedures. Under REDII, secondary material suppliers are visited at least annually the square root of the total number of such material producers. The scheduling and coordination of supplier audits is done by the Quality responsible, and all documentation resulting from these audits is compiled and filed for at least five years, which also includes the audit findings. In case of verification of any document and/or product non-compliance, procedures for solving non-conformities apply, which are duly documented in Palser's SBP handbook. As long as the observed non-conformities are not addressed, the feedstock is not considered eligible to produce pellets with the SBP REDII-compliant biomass claim.

Annex 4: RED II detailed findings for Trees Outside Forest (TOF) feedstock

NOTE: For “Trees outside forests (TOF) – Urban and landscape feedstock” no REDII sustainability requirements apply, only the GHG savings criteria apply (SBP REDII Bridging ID Section 4.2). The land use category in this case is neither forest land nor agricultural land. For “Trees outside forests (TOF) – Agricultural land feedstock” the applicable criteria are Article 29 paragraphs (2)-(5).

Not Applicable (RED II TOF not included)