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Certificate of Compliance for Regulation (EU) 2023/1115

Valid from 1/1/2025 – 1/1/2030

Dear Business Partner,

Thank you for your request.

Regarding: Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 on deforestation-free products

We are aware of the Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 on deforestation free products ("Regulation"), which came into force in June 2023.

In light of the purpose of Article 1 of the Regulation, NDS can be considered a trader or an operator on the relevant market for any of the products mentioned in the Regulation. Therefore, NDS does fall within the scope of the Regulation. We would also like to point out that we employ high standards, particularly regarding ethics and compliance, are essential factors of a modern business approach for NDS. This is reflected in our daily operations and also in our policy statement on human rights, which you can find on our website:

<https://natdefllc.com/regulatory-quality>

We certify that National Defense Solutions, LLC. complies as follows:

1. **Deforestation-free (Article 3(a)):** The products do not originate from land that was subject to deforestation or forest degradation.
2. **Legally produced (Article 3(b)):** The products have been produced in accordance with all applicable laws in the country of production.
3. **Due Diligence Statements (Article 3(c), 4):** The products are covered by their Due Diligence Statement and available in the EU Information System or upon request.

Should NDS become aware of violations related to the abovementioned Regulation by any of our suppliers and/or subcontractors, we will fundamentally reconsider and, if necessary, terminate the continuation of the business relationship with our business partner(s).

Kind Regards,

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