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"CERTIFICATE OF SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF WOOD ORIGIN"

To Whom It May Concern

We, as a government agency responsible for the development of particle board MDF and wooden furniture industries, certify that the Rubber Tree (botanical name : Hevea brasiliensis) in Thailand is the plantation tree. The purpose of rubber tree plantation is to collect the gum resin by slitting from the tree everyday. It is used to produce rubber products such as vehicle tire, rubber band, rubber tube and rubberized products, etc. Thailand has become one of the major rubber producer in the world. The plantations are in the Southern and Eastern part of Thailand as well as spreading out to other parts of the country.

Please be informed that after reaching the age of 25-30 years, the trees will be cut down and replanted again because of too little gum resin to be made use of. As a result, the rubber wood (parawood) of the tree could be utilized by processing with various techniques in an economical way to preserve the quality of the wood for the wood industry. The plants will be fully utilized to produce value added products.

Please be assured that the rubber wood from rubber trees in Thailand causes no unfavorable impacts to the environment and their plantation also contributes to the conservation of forestry by continuous replanting annually. Therefore, we certify that Thailand rubber wood products are from the Sustainable Resource of Wood Origin.

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