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## **INFORMATION ON ISPM 15**

## Dear valued customer,

As most people are aware these days, to certain countries it is forbidden to ship untreated wooden packaging. The countries concerned have adopted the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (ISPM 15). ISPM 15 for the signatory countries affects all wood packaging material including pallets with the only exemptions being products made from an alternative material such as plastic or wood panel products eg plywood. Treated wood packaging is stamped with a mark of compliance or IPPC (International Plant Protection Convention) seal. The purpose of the measure is to prevent the spread of diseases and insects which could have a negative affect the indigenous plant species and wildlife. A list of ISPM 15 signatory countries is shown as per the below although of course is subject to change. In addition the European Union as a whole is a signatory but this does not affect intra EU movements.

ISPM 15 SIGNATORY COUNTRIES				
Argentina	Australia	Bolivia	Brazil	Bulgaria
Canada	Chile	China	Colombia	Costa Rica
Croatia	Cuba	Dominican Rep	Ecuador	Egypt
European	Guatemala	Honduras	India	Indonesia
Union <sup>1</sup>				
Israel	Jamaica	Japan	Jordan	Kenya
Lebanon	Malaysia	Mexico	New Zealand	Nicaragua
Nigeria	Norway	Oman	Paraguay	Peru
Philippines	Seychelles	South Africa	South Korea	Sri Lanka
Switzerland	Syria	Taiwan	Thailand	Trinidad &
				Tobago
Turkey	Ukraine	United States	Venezuela	Vietnam

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>European Union for imports into the EU only but this does not affect intra EU movements.

Best regards,

Southampton Freight Services Ltd



