



# SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY INITIATIVE

SFI-00001

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Dr. Michael Berger  
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Re: SFI 2022 Standards - Application for PEFC Endorsement

Dear Michael,

On behalf of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative Inc., it is our pleasure to submit for PEFC endorsement the SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard, SFI 2022 Chain of Custody Standard, SFI Small Lands Group Certification Module and the SFI Small Scale Forest Management Module for Indigenous Peoples, Families and Communities. The attachments enclosed provide a summary of structure and the documentation submitted for SFI's PEFC endorsement application. All documents are provided in electronic format.

This is SFI's fifth endorsement assessment of the SFI Forest Management Requirements (December 2005, November 2011, the extraordinary assessment in February 2014 and September 2015). This will be the second endorsement of the SFI Small Lands Group Certification Module which was first endorsed in November 2019. Finally, we are submitting for initial endorsement the SFI 2022 Chain of Custody Standard and the SFI Small Scale Forest Management Module for Indigenous Peoples, Families and Communities. To ensure a smooth and timely assessment, we ask that PEFC provide a process timeline to help us facilitate key decision points during the assessment. This will also ensure we stay on track for a timely completion.

To further facilitate the assessment process, SFI requests an initial conference call with the assessor, PEFC staff and SFI staff to go through the assessment process and answer any questions the assessor may have.

If there is anything we can do to expedite the endorsement process, please contact me at [jason.metnick@forests.org](mailto:jason.metnick@forests.org) or 1-602-374-6539.

Best Regards,

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cc. Mr. Peter Latham, Chair PEFC International  
Mr. Ben Gunneberg, Secretary General PEFC International  
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Enclosed:

Attachment 1: SFI 2022 [Development Report](#) as required by GD 1007-2017 (Clause 6.3)

Attachment 2: SFI PEFC Endorsement – Checklists Submitted

Checklists Submitted for the SFI Inc. Application for PEFC Endorsement	
Checklist for PEFC ST 1001:2017	SFI's <a href="#">checklist for standard setting</a> for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard;</li> <li>• SFI 2022 Chain of Custody Standard;</li> <li>• SFI Small Lands Group Certification Module, and</li> <li>• SFI Small Scale Forest Management Module for Indigenous Peoples, Families and Communities.</li> </ul>
PEFC ST 1003:2018	SFI <a href="#">checklist for the SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard and the Small-Scale Forest Management Module for Indigenous Peoples, Families and Communities</a>
PEFC ST 1002 – 2018	SFI <a href="#">checklist for group forest management certification – SFI Small Lands Group Certification Module</a>
PEFC ST 2002 – 2020	SFI <a href="#">checklist for SFI 2022 Chain of Custody Standard</a>
PEFC GD 1004	SFI <a href="#">checklist for administration requirements</a>
PEFC Annex 6 (ST 1004)	SFI <a href="#">checklist for certification and accreditation procedures</a>