

## ENVIRONMENT

Our timber is purchased from suppliers who have gained Forest Stewardship Council Chain of Custody certification and who are striving to buy legally acquired timber from sustainable forests

“Sustainable forestry means managing our forests to meet the needs of the present – without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs – by practicing a land stewardship ethic which integrates the reforestation, managing, growing, nurturing and harvesting of trees for useful products, with the conservation of soil, air and water quality, wildlife and fish habitat and aesthetics” - US Forestry commitment

In the world's developing nations the major cause of deforestation is population pressure, more than 90% of deforestation occurs because of demand for agricultural land. Less than 5% of the trees are cut down for export. In most cases the trees are cut down and burned to make way for cattle pasture and farmland or to provide cooking fuel.

The USA has more trees now than it did 70 years ago; some 4 million trees are planted each day.

Our solid woods products are made from timber sourced predominantly from North America and Europe.