



Commitment of protecting forests through material sourcing of MMCF

Here we announce that we, ITOCHU Corporation Textile Company Fashion Apparel Division, will start working with Canopy, who collaborates with suppliers, brands, and retailers to ensure that their supply chains are free of ancient and endangered forests, such as the Coastal Temperate Rainforests of Vancouver Island and Great Bear Rainforest, Canada's Boreal Forests, and Indonesia's Rainforests.

Conservation of Ancient & Endangered Forests and Intact Forest Landscapes

We, ITOCHU Corporation Textile Company Fashion Apparel Division supports a future that does not use ancient and endangered forest for pulp to make cellulosic fibres.

- Assess our existing use of wood pulp and fibre and ensure that we will not sourcing fibres made from ancient and endangered forests areas such as the Canadian and Russian Boreal Forests; Coastal Temperate Rainforests; tropical forests and peatlands of Indonesia, the Amazon and West Africa, or endangered species habitat.
- Work with our fibre suppliers to phase out and find suitable alternatives to any fibre sourced from these regions.
- Eliminate sourcing fibre from other controversial sources including companies that are logging forests illegally and from tree plantations established after 1994 through the conversion or simplification of natural forests.

Innovative and Alternative Fibre Development

We will collaborate with Canopy, innovative companies, and suppliers to explore and encourage the development of fibre sources that reduce environmental and social impacts. We will play an active role in the research and development and eventual adoption of commercial scale production of pulp and cellulosic fibre made from alternative sources.

Forest Certification

In our partnership with Metsä Group, we strive to source pulp made exclusively from non-controversial sources, and the pulp has to be certified via a credible third party certification. We accept fiber from PEFC and FSC (Forest Stewardship Council). Over time, we ITOCHU Corporation Textile Company Fashion Apparel Division will encourage our partners to preference fibre certified to the FSC.