



Press Release

APRIL Statement on PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari

Jakarta, 17 November 2016 – With regard to the Supreme Court verdict on PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari (MPL), APRIL Group states the following:

PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari (MPL) is not affiliated with APRIL or with RGE. It has been a supplier to APRIL. However, we have not sourced fibre from MPL since February 2015.

With the recent Supreme Court decision, we confirm that APRIL will immediately terminate its supplier contract with MPL and will not contract with MPL in the future.

Indonesian language translation:

Sehubungan dengan keputusan Mahkamah Agung atas PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari, berikut pernyataan APRIL Group:

PT. Merbau Pelalawan Lestari (MPL) tidak terafiliasi dengan APRIL maupun RGE. Perusahaan tersebut adalah perusahaan pemasok kayu untuk APRIL. Namun, kami tidak lagi menerima pasokan kayu dari MPL sejak Februari 2015.

Dengan adanya keputusan Mahkamah Agung ini, APRIL menyatakan bahwa kami akan memutuskan kontrak penyediaan kayu dengan MPL dan tidak akan melakukan kerjasama dengan MPL dimasa yang akan datang.

About APRIL Group

APRIL Group is a leading producer of fibre, pulp and paper with manufacturing operations in Pangkalan Kerinci, Riau Province, Indonesia. APRIL is a pioneer in the implementation of sustainability best practices in Indonesia's pulp and paper industry, including the elimination of deforestation from its supply chain. APRIL Group is working towards conserving, protecting and restoring one hectare of high value conservation forest for every hectare of renewable plantation concession. Today, APRIL Group conserves more than 250,000 hectares with a further 150,000 hectares undergoing ecosystem restoration. For more information, visit www.aprilasia.com and follow Twitter @aprilpulp.