

Forest Management System – Summary Audit Report			
<b>Client name:</b>	Pentarch Forestry Pty Ltd	<b>Certificate #</b>	AFS 605327
<b>Client address</b>	99 Coventry St South Bank 3006	<b>Website:</b>	pentarch.com.au
<b>Audit type:</b>	Recertification assessment	<b>Audit dates:</b>	15–19 February 2021
<b>Standard:</b>	AS4708:2013	<b>Auditor:</b>	Ross Garsden
<p><b>This document provides a summary of the findings contained in a report to this client with respect to the implementation of the client’s management system as determined during an audit conducted by BSI.</b></p>			

Scope of certification:
Management of plantations and native forests within New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania and the marketing of forest products.

Executive summary:
<p>This report presents the findings of a recertification assessment of Pentarch Forestry with respect to conformance with the requirements of AS4708:2013. The audit was conducted on-site at Eden, NSW and included an assessment of forest management activities associated with native forests and hardwood plantations in southern NSW and East Gippsland in Victoria. Appropriate controls for COVID-19 were in place throughout the assessment.</p> <p><i>Strengths of the business and its management system</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Effectiveness of the strategic planning processes</li> <li>- Organisational resilience and response to the fires (business continuity)</li> <li>- Effectiveness of planning and supervision of forest operations</li> <li>- In-house capacity and capability for building improved systems</li> <li>- Demonstrated capability of the team involved in forest management</li> </ul> <p><i>Significant improvements noted in this assessment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Incident reporting in Lucidity</li> <li>- Adoption of new (best-available) technologies e.g. the drone</li> <li>- Effective employee engagement processes</li> </ul> <p>Pentarch has responded positively to the minor non-conformance noted in the previous report. This has been addressed effectively and is now closed. No non-conformances were identified during this assessment. A number of opportunities for improvement were identified.</p> <p>The audit has verified that Pentarch Forestry continues to operate a forest management system in compliance with the requirements of AS 4708:2013 and a recommendation is made for continued certification.</p> <p>The assessor would like to thank all staff for their constructive engagement and participation throughout this assessment.</p>

Defined forest area statement	
Pentarch's defined forest area consists of four forest management units: namely, mainland Eucalypt plantations, mainland native forests, Tasmanian eucalypt plantations (N1 and N2).	
<b>Defined forest area (in hectares): as at 30 June 2020</b>	<b>7,810 hectares</b>
<b>Advised to AFS Limited on:</b>	<b>30 June 2020</b>
<b>Certificate expires on:</b>	<b>31 May 2024</b>

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