



## **Environmental Protection Agency**

### **Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the Application for the grant of an Environmental Permit for the following proposed project:

#### **Nexus Wood Working, Operation of a Furniture Workshop located at Plot 8, Loo Creek Industrial Area, North Moblissa Agriculture Area, Eastern Side, Linden-Soesdyke Highway.**

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The reasons for the EPA's decision are:

1. The impacts of noise and vibration from **sawing equipment** (table saws, miter saw and band saws), **wood processing machinery** (edger, planer, jointer, drill press and router), **loading and unloading operations** (trucks; **pneumatic systems** (air compressors; and **energy conversion system** (power generator) will be effectively mitigated by:
  - a. Installation of silencers/mufflers on equipment;
  - b. Placement of equipment on concrete foundation;
  - c. Regular maintenance of machinery and equipment;
  - d. Housing generator in an appropriately enclosed room, equipped with an exhaust stack; and
  - e. Limiting loading and offloading of lumber to between 06:00 h to 18:00h from Mon.-Sat.
2. The impacts of dust generated from sawing, sanding, and grinding activities and machinery operation at this project will be sufficiently mitigated by use of a dust extractor system to channel dust into a containment bin.
3. Waste generated at the project will be adequately managed by:
  - a. Repurposing wood waste (offcuts, trimmings, wood chips) for land filling and distribution to poultry and cash crop farmers.

- b. Disposal of inorganic waste (plastic bottles, food boxes) via an authorised waste disposal service once a week.
- c. Clearly labelling hazardous waste (paints and varnishes, adhesives and glues, wood preservatives) in sealed containers which will be stored in a contained area on an impervious surface.

The EPA advises that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

**Project Summary Tab**

<https://epaguyana.org/download/khem-singh-project-summary/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. *Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:*

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