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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION**

LN: NPM-2010

Nibong Tebal Paper Mill Sdn Bhd  
(NTPM)

Standard:  
GECA 13-2007 – Sanitary Paper Standard

Conformance Declaration Date:  
13<sup>th</sup> April 2010



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# environmental solutions for sustainable markets in Australia

The Environmental Choice Australia Mark ecolabelling program is the national product life cycle environmental declaration based on internationally recognized standard setting and assessment methodology.

The national program is managed by two distinct organisations:

Good Environmental Choice Australia Ltd. is the standard setting and sustainable consumption market promotions body which develops and declares the ecolabelling standards defining product environmental preference in conformance to ISO 14 024 – International Standard for Third Party Environmental Labelling and Declaration ([www.geca.org.au](http://www.geca.org.au)). GECA is an independent non-profit environmental research and ecolabeling standard setting organisation recognised as the Australian member of an international network of ecolabelling schemes under the Global Ecolabelling Network.

Environmental Assurance (also trading as Good Environmental Choice Services Pty Ltd) is the auditing and certification body with responsibility for product assessment, certification and licensing of products against the declared standards ([www.eassurance.com.au](http://www.eassurance.com.au)). GECS is the assessment body for this Program with expertise specific to quality product environmental performance auditing following the principles of ISO 14 010 and ISO 14 024 in it's audit and certification services.

Following an independent audit against the recognition requirements of the Australian Program this declaration outlines key environmental performance attributes of products that have been awarded the "Environmental Choice Australia" label for the Australian market. The Ecolabel is awarded to those products that meet or exceed voluntary standards of environmental performance.

The objectives of the program are to:

- a) Provide incentives for suppliers to reduce the environmental impacts of products sold in Australia;
- b) Provide a clear, credible and independent guide to consumers wishing to take account of environmental factors in their purchasing decisions;
- c) Encourage consumers to purchase products which have lower environmental impacts;
- d) Recognize genuine moves by companies to reduce the adverse environmental impacts of their products;
- e) Aim ultimately to improve the quality of the environment and to encourage the sustainable management of resources.

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## CERTIFICATION FINDINGS

The range of sanitary paper products manufactured by Nibong Tebal Paper Mill Sdn Bhd (NTPM) have been assessed against the GECA 13-2007 – Sanitary Paper Standard, and awarded the Environmental Choice Australia Eco-Label.

### 1. MANUFACTURER DESCRIPTION

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Nibong Tebal Paper Mill was established in 1975 and has sales offices located in Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand. The company has a production capacity of 250 tonnes a day (approximately 90,000 tonnes per annum) with a total of eighteen (18) paper-making machines.

Nibong Tebal Paper Mill manufactures tissue paper products and other personal care paper products. Tissue paper products consist of facial tissue, toilet paper, kitchen towel rolls and napkins under the brands of Premier, Royal Gold, Cutie and others. With its vast capacity and wide product range, NTPM is exporting its sanitary paper products and/or jumbo rolls to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Mauritius, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, USA etc. Its product distributor in Australia is *John S Hayes & Associates Pty Ltd.*

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## 2: REGISTERED PRODUCTS

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The following Nibong Tebal Paper Mill products have been awarded the Environmental Choice Australia Declaration:

PRODUCT NAME	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
TruSoft 200'S 4'R Pack	Toilet paper product range
TruSoft 400'S 4'R Pack	Toilet paper product range
TruSoft 400'S 2-Ply Wrapper	Toilet paper product range
TruSoft 850'S 4'R Pack	Toilet paper product range
TruSoft 1000'S 4'R Pack	Toilet paper product range
Regal 200'S	Facial tissues product range
Regal Gold 100'S	Facial tissues product range
Luxury Regal 48RLX 700SH Wrapper	Toilet paper product range.
TruSoft Centre Pull Tissue	Paper towel product range
TruSoft JBT 300m 2-ply	Paper towel product range
TruSoft JBT 500m 1-ply	Paper towel product range
TruSoft JBT 400m 2-ply	Paper towel product range
TruSoft JBT 650m 1-ply	Paper towel product range
Plumbing Friendly Jumbo JRT 240m 2-ply	Paper towel product range
Plumbing Friendly Jumbo JRT 400m 1-ply	Paper towel product range
Regal Single Pull Tissue 240'S	Paper towel product range
Regal Single Pull Tissue 400'S	Paper towel product range
TruSoft HRT 80m 16'R 1-ply	Hand towel product range
TruSoft HRT 100m 16'R 1-ply	Hand towel product range
Regal Blue Interleaved Hand Towels	Hand towel product range
Regal Interleaved Hand Towels	Hand towel product range
Regal Gold Interleaved Hand Towels	Hand towel product range
Regal Slim Line Towel 250'S	Hand towel product range
Premier 2'R Non-printed	Kitchen towel product range

Regal 200'S

Special Facial Tissue; 200 Sheets (2 Ply)



Regal Blue Interleaved Hand Towels

Interleaved Hand Towels; 150 Sheets



Products with a distinctive environmental edge.

### 3. KEY ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE FINDINGS

The key environmental performance criteria against which the NTPM products were assessed, and the findings by Environmental Assurance, are provided below.

Criterion	Core Environmental Performance Characteristics
Fitness for Purpose	These nominated NTPM products are manufactured in ISO 9001 facility and goes through rigorous tests and adequate quality assurance process prior to the final dispatch.
Fibre Sources	GECS has confirmed that these nominated NTPM products source virgin fibres from suppliers that hold a chain-of-custody certificate and do not originate from illegal harvesting, genetically modified organisms and uncertified high conservation value communities.
Recycle Content Requirements	The recycled content of these nominated NTPM products meet the minimum recycle content requirements of this criterion.
Emission Requirements	From the emission records and the observation made during the site assessment GECS has confirmed that these NTPM products meet the emission requirements of this criterion.
Surfactants	Surfactant used in the NTPM product is readily biodegradable as per OECD guidelines.
Risk Phrases	From the review of the MSDS supplied for the additives GECS has confirmed that these NTPM Products do not contain ingredient which comes with any of the risk phrases listed under this criterion.
Heavy Metals	MSDS of the ingredients used in the production do not show the presence of any prohibited heavy metals listed under this criterion.
Carcinogenic Substances	GECS has confirmed from the review of MSDS for the ingredients used in the production that none of the ingredients contain carcinogenic substances.
Waste Management and Energy Use	GECS has confirmed from the site assessment that NTPM has effective policies and procedures to minimize waste, including measures to recycle waste materials from the production process.
Packaging Requirements	The packaging materials used by NTPM can be recycled by local recycling system. Chlorinated or halogenated plastic packagings are not used.
Environmental Regulations	NTPM is in compliance with relevant environmental regulations and has not been prosecuted in a court of law for the breaches of environmental regulations in the past 24 months.
Labour, Anti-Discrimination and Safety Regulations	NTPM is in compliance with the relevant social and workplace regulations. The company has not been prosecuted in a court of law for the breaches of labour, anti-discrimination or safety regulations in the past 24 months.

Quantifying key criteria for assurance to the market.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

A detailed verification report is supplied to verified manufacturers regarding the findings of environmental characteristics of their products and evidence of compliance. The verification report can be made available at the sole discretion of the manufacturer.

This EPD has been made available for green purchasing officers, specifiers, and every day Australians seeking to purchase products and services on the basis of functional and overall environmental and human health performance.



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