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Evaluation of Enviva, LLC - Waycross

First Surveillance Audit

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1 Overview

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SBP Certificate Code:	SBP-04-21
Date of certificate issue:	17 Jan 2026
Date of certificate expiry:	16 Jan 2031
Audit closing meeting date:	08 Jul 2026
Audit cycle:	First Surveillance Audit

2 Audit conclusions

2.1 Certification decision

Based on the auditor's recommendation and the Certification Body's technical review, the following certification decision is taken:	
Certification decision:	Certification approved
Certification decision by (name of the person):	Jose del Castillo
Date of decision:	29 Sep 2026
Other comments:	N/A

2.2 Open non-conformities and observations

2.2 Closed non-conformities

2.3 Actions taken by Organisation Prior to Report Finalisation

N/A

2.4 Notes for the next Audit

N/A

3 Scope of the audit and SBP certificate

Scope item	Check all that apply to the Certificate scope
Primary activity	Biomass Producer
Secondary activity	
Approved Standards	SBP Standard 1: Feedstock Compliance v2.0; SBP Standard 2: Feedstock Verification v2.0; SBP Standard 4: Chain of Custody v2.0; SBP Standard 5: Collection and Communication of Data v2.0; Instruction Document EU RED: Bridging Requirements for Meeting the Directive EU/2023/2413; Instruction Document 5E: Collection and Communication of Energy and Carbon data. v2.1
Product Group IDs	☒ Forest feedstock (1A) ☒ Trees outside forest (TOF) - Urban and landscape feedstock (2A) ☐ Trees outside forest (TOF) - Agricultural land feedstock (3A) ☒ Processing residues feedstock (4A) ☐ Post-consumer feedstock (5A) ☐ Other (please specify)
SBP Feedstock types	☒ SBP Compliant; ☒ SBP Controlled
Includes Supply Base Evaluation (SBE)	Yes
Includes EU RED Scheme	Yes
Includes EU RED Supply Base Evaluation (SBE)	Yes
Products	WB 1.1 Wood pellets
Feedstock origin (countries):	United States
SBP-endorsed Regional Risk Assessments used: **Public link:** https://sbp-cert.org/documents/standards-documents/risk-assessments/	SBP-RRA-US-NF-FOR_v1.0 RRA for US National FOR_Interim, SBP-RRA-US-PF-FOR_v1.0 RRA for US Private FOR_Interim
Chain of custody system	☐ Physical separation ☒ Mass balance
Outsourcing	Yes
Changes in the scope	Added ToF.

3.1 Description of the company

Guidance: Please describe the type, structure and operations of the company including its role in the supply chain, its inputs and outputs as they related to SBP Standards.

Enviva was founded in 2004 with a mission to displace fossil fuels, grow more trees, and address climate change. Early on, we realized that the real gap in the biomass energy base was not people building and operating the power plants, rather it was the aggregation and the commoditization of fuel. That's when we focused on sourcing and producing the fuel side of the business, which has been our growth area and the space where we've become the largest player. Today, we've evolved into a leading producer of wood pellets with a focus on the future of biogenic carbon. Enviva operates 9 pellet producing mills across the south soon to be 10 when Epes comes on-line in Q2 2025. Enviva ships pellets from 7 port locations across the south.

3.2 Site details

Legal entity name	Address	Site Activity	Visited during the audit
Enviva Inc. - Waycross	3390 Industrial Blvd, Waycross, GA 31503	Pellet manufacturer	☒

3.3 Detailed description of the Chain of Custody system and Product Groups

Guidance: Please describe the operation of the CoC system including details of the mass balance management and a list of established Product Groups.

Enviva maintains multiple chain of custody (CoC) systems to satisfy various certification system requirements. The company has staff well versed in CoC operations. Enviva systems track the required chain of custody information including the necessary infrastructure, designated management representative, product type categories, record keeping and training to ensure the system meets SBP requirements. Enviva operates a Stakeholder Engagement Plan through its transparency partner, Earthworm via the company's Responsible Sourcing Policy. Envia's CoC process includes documented procedures to address non-conforming product, has developed a Risk Matrix to ensure compliance with applicable laws, conducts annual anti-corruption training for staff, complies with OSHA regulation and through its FSC Chain of Custody Core Labor Requirements meets the "decent working conditions" criteria. Envia has a mature Outsourcing program that includes multiple CoC systems. The company maintains records of all suppliers, trains suppliers in the necessary elements of CoC, HCV and other elements such as safe work practices while on an Enviva mill site. Enviva requires suppliers to provide the information included in SBP Standard 4 Section 4.2 and other information to determine origin. Enviva uses a mass balance credit ledger system to track inputs to pellet tons produced and shipped to customers.

4 Specific objective of the audit

The specific objective of this evaluation was to confirm that the Biomass Producer's management system is capable of ensuring that all requirements of specified SBP Standards are implemented over scope of certification.
If applicable, the following *pre-audit activities* were conducted: ☐ pre-assessment; ☐ site visits ☒ N/A
The following Critical Control Points (CCPs) were identified and evaluated (edit list as appropriate and describe how the organization controls each point and how it was evaluated). Note that you may identify other CCPs for a particular client which you should also describe in the report:

CCP	Description, including how evaluated by SCS
Processes for procurement and processing, transport, and storage	The organization procures primary, secondary, and pre-consumer tertiary feedstock via its COC controlled material sourcing and SBP Supply Base Evaluation systems. All suppliers are vetted via a track & trace system and district of origin process prior to the first delivery of material. Feedstock is transported in trucks, scaled upon arrival, and stored in designated areas prior to processing into pellets. There are green and dry feedstock entry points. Once inputs are to acceptable particle size and moisture content, they are pelletized. Finished pellets are cooled and then loaded onto rail cars prior to transport to the Port of Savannah.
Documentation of transactions	Records of biomass shipments are recorded, and outgoing transactions of SBP-certified biomass are recorded in DTS.
Energy data collection and reporting	The organization maintains spreadsheets, lab records, utility bills, and other data that is organized into a single spreadsheet for tabulating energy data used to complete the SAR.

5 Evaluation process

5.1 Timing and duration of evaluation activities

Audit Level of Effort (LoE)		
Activity	**Auditors**	**Auditor hours**
1. Preparation	Kyle Meister	8.0
2. On-site (excl. travel time)	Kyle Meister	24.0
3. Report writing	Kyle Meister	6.0
4. Other	Kyle Meister	10.0

5.2 Auditor team qualification

Auditor qualification		
Auditor name	**Role**	**Qualification**
Kyle Meister	Lead auditor	Lead SBP, FSC-FM, FSC-COC, FSC-CW, SFI-FM, SFI-FS, SFI-COC, and ATFS auditor.

5.3 Description of evaluation activities

Audit schedule: ST 1, 2, 4, and 5 (RRAs, SBE, and/or certified sourcing)

Activity	Location	Date	Notes
Opening meeting (incl. review of previous non-conformities)	WAY	6 July	Introductions, auditor review of audit scope, audit plan and intro/update to SBP and SCS standards and protocols, client description of organization
Review of trademarks	SBP TMLA and trademarks		
Review of procedures	Written procedures, work instructions, feedstock description, accounting system (transfer, percentage or credit; physical separation, percentage method)		

Review of SBR, SBR Annex I (SBE) and/or Regional Risk Assessment(s) (RRA), Determination of Origin, and associated evidence (e.g., internal audit reports)	Review of ST 1 and ST 2 requirements		
ST 4: Business integrity, social, health & safety	Overlaps with ST 1 and general COC requirements		
ST 4: review of inputs, outputs, traceability, training, etc.	Auditor-selected sample of the following: material tracking system, summary of purchases and sales, invoices, shipping documents, training records, outsourcing agreements, other applicable SBP systems, tracebacks from certified outputs to eligible inputs, verification of calculations for conversion factors, percentage claims, and credit accounts, as applicable Review of sampled primary, secondary, and tertiary supplier records.		
Inspection: verification of COC and GHG control points, OHS measures, scope end points	Review of physical inputs and outputs, material receipt, storage, processing, sale, and overall control [remove if not applicable, e.g. desk audit]		
Interviews with staff	Training, OSH, responsibilities, etc.		
ST 1: field inspections	Atkinson County, Georgia	Inspections of sampled primary tracts – 1 tract	
ST 1: field inspections (cont.)	Coffee County and Irwin County, Georgia	7 July	Inspections of sampled primary tracts – 3 tracts
ST 5: Review of SAR and GHG data collection/ calculations	WAY	Review of GHG data, record-keeping, calculations, etc.	
Final document review	WAY	8 July	

Closing meeting preparation	Auditor takes time to consolidate notes and review audit findings for presentation at closing meeting
Closing meeting	Convene with all relevant staff to summarize audit findings, review identified nonconformities, and discuss next steps

5.4 List of forest management units and feedstock suppliers visited

☐ N/A – No forest sites or suppliers visited during this evaluation

Site name
Atkinson County, Georgia - tract 1
Site location
Atkinson County, Georgia
Site description
Salvage harvest of 21-30-year-old planted pine (clearcut)
Rationale and focus of visit
Smaller acreage; random selection
Description of audit activity
Completed in 2025 after Hurricane Helene. Spot-burned over winter to control logging slash. Inspection of SMZ and road system. Inspection of harvest site. Gas line right of way present.

Site name
Coffee County, GA - tract 2
Site location
Coffee County, GA
Site description
Clearcut of 21–30-year-old planted pine.
Rationale and focus of visit
Random selection; proximity to another tract
Description of audit activity
Harvest turned into a salvage harvest due to Hurricane Helene. Some retention pockets left that the landowner wanted or were inaccessible. Land sold to new owner, who will replant. Inspection of landing, SMZ, and road system. Used woodchips to stabilize an ephemeral stream crossing. Hunting infrastructure observed.

Site name

Coffee County, GA - tract 3
Site location
Coffee County, GA
Site description
Salvage harvest of 21–30-year-old planted pine (combination of seedtree and clearcut).
Rationale and focus of visit
Near another tract; different type of salvage
Description of audit activity
Inspection of landing. Slash piles to be burned over winter. Inspection of SMZ and stream crossing (rocked ford). Retention of large pines and oaks. Inspection of duck pond with pond cypress and another section of SMZ. Evidence of grazing observed, but not interfering with regeneration to date and not leading to any damage.

Site name
Irwin County, GA - tract 4
Site location
Irwin County, GA
Site description
Clearcut of 41-50-year-old planted pine stand.
Rationale and focus of visit
Older age class; random selection; smaller acreage
Description of audit activity
Inspection of recreational trails for personal use, inspection of main logging road, property boundaries, and log landing. Retention of live oak depression and scattered live oak observed.

5.5 Describe audit sampling methodology used

Primary suppliers: 4 Processing residue suppliers: 7 Supplier sampling is determined using SBP sampling formulas described or cited in SBP Standard 3. Audit teams ensure to sample across the variety of forest ecosystems and/or feedstocks from which the organization sources, including by selecting different land ownership/management (e.g., small, public, private, etc.), harvesting types (thinning, final harvest), and feedstock type (primary, secondary, tertiary, hardwood, softwood, etc.).

5.6 CB stakeholder engagement

☒ N/A – Certification Body stakeholder consultation not applicable for this evaluation

Guidance: Please specify the number and types of stakeholders engaged, method of engagement and its outcomes.

5.7 Stakeholder feedback and response

☒ N/A – Certification Body stakeholder consultation not applicable for this evaluation

5.8 Main strengths and weaknesses of the management system and operations

Strengths: The organization maintains a robust system for gathering, maintaining, and calculating volume credit and greenhouse gas measurements. The district of origin process for evaluating primary and processing residue procurement systems ensures that much data about the sourcing area is tracked to maintain compliance to SBP requirements.

Weaknesses: Refer to any nonconformities issued.

5.9 Summary of evaluation activities for robustness of the Supply Base Evaluation

☐ N/A – Standard 1 not in the scope of the evaluation

1. Is the current definition of scope adequate for the specific characteristics of the Supply Base and management systems in place? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Are the means of verification and evidence provided enough to support the risk conclusion? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Are mitigation measures implemented for specified risk sufficient and adequate? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA, no mitigation measures necessary
4. Are the personnel involved in the development of the Supply Base Evaluation (SBE) knowledgeable in the required fields? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Refer to nonconformities for any deficiencies noted in the SBE.

5.10 Summary of evaluation activities for Processing residues and/or Post-consumer feedstock requirements per Standard 2 and EU RED

The organization has established templates for supplier agreements and audits to ensure conformance to Standard 2/EU RED requirements. The organization has the suppliers agree to the District of Origin document that ensures the feedstock is from the defined supply basin. The organization requires scale tickets to ensure compliance; all material is inspected upon receipt to confirm that it is secondary or tertiary. The BP also samples feedstock for moisture content to comply with SBP GHG requirements, as confirmed in lab reports.

5.11 Summary of evaluation activities for chain of custody system per Standard 4

Auditor reviewed the PEFC, FSC and SFI COC certifications which include all procedures to meet the requirements. The organization's Track and Trace, DOO, MWPA documentation provides the necessary process to operate a COC system. Auditor reviewed training records in the Elevate system to determine adequate training is available to operate the chain of custody system. The internal audit program results and corrective action plans were reviewed to determine a commitment to the system.

5.12 Summary of evaluation activities for collection and communication of data per Standard 5

The organization has a comprehensive set of records in which all Standard 5 data is compiled and maintained. All compilation and calculations are conducted by organization's staff through use of IT platforms, logbooks, and/or spreadsheets.

5.13 Summary of audit findings for competency of involved personnel

The SBE was completed by the organization's staff who have local forestry experience and knowledge of ecological and social values associated with the supply base, applicable laws and regulations, business management practices, operation of suppliers, and the local forest resource. The organization devised mitigation measures for specified risk indicators of the applicable RRA(s) that are consistent with the scale and risk and position of the organization within the supply chain. The organization's management and control systems for SBP are similar to those used to meet other Chain of Custody requirements. Key personnel tasked with implementing the management and control systems relating to SBP compliance are well trained and competent, with strengths

in accounting, markets, silviculture, management, harvesting, and conservation issues. Staff at production facilities are knowledgeable in data collection systems.

5.14 Summary of audit findings for GHG methodology per Standard 6 (if applicable)

☒ N/A – Standard 6 not in the scope

6 Detailed evaluation of BP's Supply Base Evaluation (if applicable)

☐ N/A – Supply Base Evaluation not in the scope of the evaluation

6.1 Overview of BP's risk assessments and mitigation measures including EU RED scope

The organization completed an SBE for Trees outside of Forest (ToF) and determined low risk for all applicable indicators.

6.2 CB evaluation of specified risk indicators and mitigation measures