

## State of Florida Contract

**ITB: 07-425-001-F**

### **Environmental Statement**

Trinity Furniture makes every effort to protect the environment through its manufacturing and policy practices. Particularly, Trinity Furniture addresses the following issues:

- **Pollution Prevention:** Trinity Furniture recycles all used cardboard, boxes and cartons. We reuse all wooden skids, either within our facility, or sell them to other companies for them to use as skids. Trinity does not throw them away. Trinity Furniture's wood finishing department meets the emission standards set forth by the North Carolina Department of Environmental & Natural Resources.
- **Energy Conservation:** Trinity Furniture uses Energy Saving fluorescent industrial lighting throughout our 75,000 square foot building.
- **Water Conservation:** Trinity Furniture conserves water by not regularly watering our landscaping. The use of recycled mulch helps natural water resources to keep the landscaping watered.
- **Green House Gas (GHG) reductions:** Trinity Furniture's manufacturing processes do not emit Green House Gases
- **Disposal of solid and/or hazardous waste:** Solid waste, such as saw dust and sanding dust, is recycled through Trinity's wood cyclone, and then used at the recycler's discretion, which could consist of land fill, wood pulp or particle board. Hazardous waste is recycled through a toxic, environmental company who disposes of the waste with a safe method. Our lacquer dust is generally recycled into concrete.
- **Recycling of Scrap:** Trinity's leftover wood, which is used in frame building, is mulched into landscape mulch and either used at Trinity's facility, or sold to local companies. Cotton batting fiber is recycled and reused again. Fiber batting is sold to local companies and used in miscellaneous upholstery and pillow manufacturing.
- **Health and Safety Issues:** Trinity Furniture uses a healthcare provider that rewards healthy living and preventative maintenance. All health & safety guidelines set down by federal regulations are adhered to.
- **Community Involvement:** Trinity Furniture makes several donations of furniture overruns, or returns to local schools, colleges, or non-profit organizations to use as fund raisers. Trinity Furniture is associated with the local United Way and YMCA.

## **PIEDMONT PACKAGING, INC.**

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Dear Mr. Lagueruela

Piedmont Packaging works to take advantage of the many environmentally friendly changes that have taken place in our industry over the last eight to ten years.

Our printing inks are now water-soluble. Specifically they are clay based, moisture setting inks. Historically our industry used oil-based inks.

Linerboard, our major raw material, has gone from about 7% recycle content to about 45%. Sixty-two percent of all OCC (old corrugated containers) are now recycled, second only to aluminum. This is good for our environment, landfills and forest management.

The chemical that is used to formulate corrugated sheets is primarily starch. Starch mixed with warm water and a few preservatives.

Piedmont Packaging uses a baler to accumulate all waste so that it may be returned to the paper mills for re-use.

These are some of the ways that our industry and Piedmont Packaging have impacted our environment. We continue to look at our processes and purchases to find ways to be friendly to the world around us.

Sincerely,

Brad Wallace  
General Manager