

COMMISSION DECISION**of 27 March 2014****recognising Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS as a monitoring organisation pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market**

(2014/C 103/06)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 8(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The European Commission received on 21 December 2012 an application for recognition by Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS, declaring that they intend to function as a monitoring organisation in all the Member States.
- (2) The applicant submitted an update of its application on 22 January 2013.
- (3) In accordance with Article 2(5) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 363/2012 of 23 February 2012 on the procedural rules for the recognition and withdrawal of recognition of monitoring organisations as provided for in Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market⁽²⁾ the European Commission sent the application on 9 July 2013 for consultation to the Member States concerned. No comments were received within the statutory deadline of one month.
- (4) A meeting of a Commission Steering group set up specifically to assess applications for monitoring organisations was held on 12 September 2013 in Brussels, at which the applicant presented its application in person.
- (5) In accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 363/2012 the applicant was requested to provide additional information in an e-mail dated 19 October 2013.
- (6) The applicant provided the requested additional information and clarification on 25 October 2013.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 295, 12.11.2010, p. 23.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 115, 27.4.2012, p. 12.

- (7) On the basis of the documents submitted by the applicant the Steering group reached a conclusion on 19 December 2013 that the application fulfils the requirements set out in Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 and the applicant could be recognised by the Commission as a monitoring organisation.
- (8) The European Commission has assessed on the basis of all the documentary evidence submitted whether the applicant fulfils the requirements sets out in Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 and considers that Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS, France, 67-71 Boulevard du Château 92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine; Identification No 775 690 621 R.C.S. Nanterre, fulfils the requirements of Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Bureau Veritas Certification Holding SAS, France, 67-71 Boulevard du Château 92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine; Identification No 775 690 621 R.C.S. Nanterre, is recognised as a monitoring organisation in accordance with Article 8(3) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010.

Article 2

The Director-General of the Directorate-General for Environment is instructed to ensure that the applicant and the competent authorities in all the Member States are notified of this Decision and that this Decision is published on the Commission's website without delay.

Done at Brussels, 27 March 2014.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission
