



**Good Environmental Choice Australia**

“ A commitment to credible product information  
for sustainable development ”

# THE AUSTRALIAN ECOLABEL PROGRAM

**LICENCE NO:** LA-2-2006

**ISSUED TO:**

**The Laminex Group**

**PRODUCTS NAME:**

Formica Flooring distributed by the Laminex Group.

**STANDARD:**

**GEN Member Recognition Agreement**

**German Blue Angel:**

Low-Emission Wood Products and Wood-Base Products

RAL-UZ 38

**SITE ADDRESS:**

90- 92 Tram Road

Doncaster

Victoria 3108

**Re-certification Date:**

7<sup>th</sup> September 2009

Petar Johnson

**Chairman**

Good Environmental Choice Australia Ltd

## **Conditions of your GOOD ENVIRONMENTAL CHOICE LICENCE**

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The Conditions of the licence to use the Australian “Good Environmental Choice” Mark are as stated in the following sections and under the Rules Governing the Use of the Certification Mark.

**In particular:**

1. The certificate holder shall ensure that its production arrangements for the certified product and associated environmental performance standards detailed in the Blue angel: Low-Emission Wood Products and Wood-Base Products RAL-UZ 38.
2. The certificate holder shall keep GECA informed of any significant changes to its certified product, in particular of any changes in design or composition which would affect its environmental performance characteristics.
3. The certificate holder shall give and require the associated product and corporate officer to give GECA and its authorised verifiers admittance and assistance in the verification and surveillance of:

**The use of the Good Environmental Choice Mark.**

4. In order to maintain certification, the following conditions must be fulfilled:

GECA must:

- Arrange periodical verification of the product and/or at the product manufacturing facilities; and
- Periodically confirm that certification should be continued.

Client organisations must:

Make available product and production records for review;

- Use logos and marks in accordance with the documented requirements;
- Comply with the Certification Program requirements as advised to you from time to time by GECA;
- Have periodical verifications as agreed with GECA at product and project sites;
- Implement all corrective action as agreed with GECA;
- Pay all licence fees (licence fees are non refundable);

- Advise GECA promptly (within 30 days) of any changes to your product, associated manufacturing techniques or activities that may affect certification; and
- Maintain a record, accessible to GECA, of all customer complaints, environmental monitoring records and corrective action relating to the certified product.

5. GECA may conduct additional verification activities in accordance with the certification contract to maintain your certification if you change your products, or if we are advised of significant problems with your production system.

6. Verification of compliance of certified organisations with changed certification requirements shall be achieved through either special verification activities or by inclusion in the next periodical verification after consideration of advice provided by the Business Manager, GECA.

7. The certification holder shall be entitled to use the Environment Choice Product Certification Mark in accordance with the **“Rules Governing the Use of the Certification Mark”**. The Certification Mark may not be used in an unauthorized manner.

8. The certificate holder shall ensure that it does not use the certification mark in a way that could imply that other products or the company itself has achieved certification under the requirements of the Australian Ecolabel Product Certification Program.

9. If the certificate holder fails to meet any of the conditions of certification listed in this license, GECA shall be entitled to suspend or withdraw the certificate and the applicant is entitled to appeal as detailed in the Rules Governing the use of the Certification Mark.

10. The Good Environmental Choice Australia as part of its obligations under this license will undertake the following activities to promote the environmental certification of the “Good Environmental Choice” certified product.

- The certified products and their environmental characteristics will be listed on the Australian Ecolabel website in the certified products section.
- A market and customer telephone and e-mail service will be hosted by GECA for market enquiries regarding the certification and the environmental attributes of the certified product during normal office hours.

- The Good Environmental Choice Australia will design an environmental product declaration electronic document and distribute it electronically on an agreed e-mail list.
- The Good Environmental Choice Australia will design an environmental product declaration and introductory letter and mail it to up to 50 addresses provided by the certified manufacturer to advise key stakeholders that the certified products have been successfully awarded the “Good Environment Choice” Label.
- The Good Environmental Choice Australia will include the certified product in the “Good Environmental Choice” certified products register of the Australian and New Zealand Ecolabelling Programs.
- The Good Environmental Choice Australia will use the certification process and illustrations of the certified products during future seminars to illustrate the value of the Australian Ecolabel Program to SME’s seeking to gain recognition for the environmental performance of products.
- The Good Environmental Choice Australia will issue a media release to the broad community regarding the “Good Environmental Choice” verification of the certified manufacturer.

If GECA fails to meet any of the conditions listed in this license, the certificate holder shall be entitled to suspend or withdraw the certificate and the applicant is entitled to appeal as detailed in the Rules Governing the use of the Certification Mark.