

Northeast Master Logger Recertification

Part II



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Company Data Sheet

Company Name:

Company Code: Company Type (check one) Sole Proprietor Contractor
 Single Component Contractor

Company Owner:

Company Contact:

Company Address:

Phone: (Home)

Phone: (Office)

Phone: (cell)

Fax:

E-mail

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Company Profile

The company profile narrative is based upon the interview during which the following types of information are gathered:

- # of employees
- equipment used
- types of work done and for whom
- primary markets
- employee supervision
- who's in charge of the prescription?
- employee training
- employee programs/benefits
- professional affiliations
- employee turnover/retention
- workshops or training attended in the past 2-3 years
- safety training/workshops attended in the past 2 years
- professional partnerships (i.e. foresters, ecologists, engineers, etc.)

Has your company been involved in any disputes over the past 5 years? Please explain.

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Questions for Further Discussion

(a) What are your general ideas about the future of the forest products industry? What significant changes have you seen since the last MLC visit? What is working and what changes would you still like to see?

(b) Have you diversified to stay viable in this business? How or why not?

(c) How has your business changed since you first received Master Logger Certification?

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(d) Has Master Logger Certification helped you meet business or personal goals? Which? What do you think works and where do you think the program should focus on next year?

(e) If you had time for additional training or workshops with other Master Loggers, what you like to spend your time on?

(f) How have you integrated the continuous improvement harvest goal into your operations? What kinds of continuous improvement have you achieved or would you like to achieve? What are the obstacles to attaining your continuous improvement goals?

g) Approximately how much wood do you cut per year?

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Harvest Responsibility #3: Conduct a pre-harvest inspection and post harvest assessment of the site

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #4: Comply with all relevant laws and regulations and ensure that all necessary permits are obtained in accordance with federal, state, and local laws

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #4
- meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #4
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal One:

GOAL 2: PROTECT WATER QUALITY

Harvest Responsibility #1: Organize and plan road construction and access to harvest location in a manner that prevents soil erosion and does not impede water flow

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Prepare skid trails in a manner that does not reduce soil absorbency

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

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Harvest Responsibility #3: Attend to stream management zones in a manner that does not divert or concentrate water flows

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #4: Manage stream crossings during harvest and road building

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #4
- meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #4
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #5: Establish logging yards at the proper distance from streams, ponds, lakes, marshes, steep slopes, and wetlands so as to maintain the benefits of vegetation next to water bodies

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #5
- meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #5
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #6: Monitor all regulations and obtain necessary permits in accordance with federal, state, and local law

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #6
- meets Harvest Responsibility #6
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #6
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #6
- N/A

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Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Two:

GOAL 3: MAINTAIN SOIL PRODUCTIVITY**Harvest Responsibility #1: Assure future forest soil productivity by harvest planning and on-the-ground layout**

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Minimize and stabilize exposed soil

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Close out harvest site, complete the post-harvest check sheet, and follow-up as necessary

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

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Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Three:

GOAL 4: SUPPORT FOREST ECOSYSTEMS

Harvest Responsibility #1: Determine if the forest management plan has delineated current wildlife habitat to remain undisturbed. If no management plan exists, wildlife habitat should be delineated in the harvest plan

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Check all special or unique sites and clearly mark boundaries per harvest plan

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Discuss with the landowner/forester the need for attention to preserving native biological diversity

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #4: Delineate any understory/overstory areas landowner/forester wants preserved due to unique flora/fauna

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #4
- meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #4
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #5: Ensure that post-harvest stands are left in good condition for future forest growth and regeneration

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #5
- meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #5
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Four:

GOAL 5: MANAGE FOREST AESTHETICS

Harvest Responsibility #1: Discuss the aesthetic considerations of the harvest with the landowner/forester.

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Exhibit an aesthetic sensitivity in areas that adjoin roads and highways, known recreation trails, landing areas, vistas, and other areas of local community value

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

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Harvest Responsibility #3: Communicate with employees to ensure the removal of all unnecessary debris from the harvest site and seed landing areas when prescribed

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #4: Cultural features of historic value (e.g. stone walls, wells, cemeteries, cellar holes, etc.) are protected during logging.

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #4
- meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #4
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #4
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #5: Property boundaries are respected.

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #5
- meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #5
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #5
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Five:

GOAL 6: ENSURE WORKPLACE SAFETY

Harvest Responsibility #1: Track compliance with all OSHA rules for safety awareness, personal protective equipment, machine operation and maintenance, hand tool safety, harvesting and felling, sharpening of blades, notching, yarding, limbing, and handling flammable or combustible liquids

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Document an OSHA compliant safety and health plan that includes a hazard communication program, lockout/ tagout program, blood born pathogens, etc.

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Initiate Superior Management Practices (SMPs) that exceed minimum expectations of federal and state safety laws

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Six:

GOAL 7: DEMONSTRATE CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Harvest Responsibility #1: Develop and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs)

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Incorporate advanced and emerging harvest technologies

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Maintain accurate production data

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Seven:

GOAL 8: ENSURE BUSINESS VIABILITY

Harvest Responsibility #1: Provide technical and training support to company employees and abide by all federal and state labor laws

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Utilize technology to improve planning and decision making

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Actively participate in the logging industry on local, state, regional, and national levels.

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Eight:

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GOAL 9: UPHOLD CERTIFICATE INTEGRITY

Harvest Responsibility #1: Protect NEMLC Codes

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #1
- meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #1
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #1
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #2: Submitting Annual Data to the Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #2
- meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #2
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #2
- N/A

Harvest Responsibility #3: Maintaining CoC Certification Files (For Chain of Custody Group Members)

- exceeds Harvest Responsibility #3
- meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- partially meets Harvest Responsibility #3
- does not meet Harvest Responsibility #3
- N/A

Please provide comments/evidence to illustrate the company's performance in relation to meeting the responsibilities of this harvest goal:

Commendations/Recommendations to the company regarding Goal Nine:

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Verifier Summary

(a) Please make note of any areas where this MLC company excels or has demonstrated remarkable continuous improvement. Consider all harvest goals.

(b) Please make note of any issues that should be a focus for random audits or future recertification visits.

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Master Logger Third Party Certification Program Guarantee

Harvest products that bear the logo or trip ticket of the Master Logger Certification Program have been harvested by companies that embrace a vision of mutual economic and environmental benefit. Master Logger companies consistently work to implement superior harvesting and business practices. The recognition of adherence to the MLC performance standards is verified by a third party, independent, field-based assessment process. Companies are recertified every two years and undergo random auditing.

I _____ confirm that this report on _____
(verifier code) (MLC candidate code)

is my own work and accurately reflects my professional field observations.

Verifier Signature

Date

If the verifier does not wish to guarantee that, base upon the field sites visited, this company meets the requirements for Master Logger Certification, please explain here: