

UPCYCLED CERTIFIED® STANDARD DRAFT VERSION 3

Redline Summary

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The purpose of this *Redline Summary of the Upcycled Certified Standard DRAFT Version 3* is to provide clarity on the substantive changes made and proposed herein to assist stakeholders in engaging in the final Comment Period of the Standard Revision.

Please note that this summary is not comprehensive of all changes made between Upcycled Certified Standard Version 2 and Upcycled Certified Standard DRAFT Version 3 and is intended to highlight key changes only. It is the responsibility of the stakeholder to review the Upcycled Certified Standard DRAFT Version 3 in full to understand any potential implications to their current or future engagement in the Standard.

Redline Summary of the Upcycled Certified Standard DRAFT Version 3

| Key Redline Topics | | References, if applicable |
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| Organization & formatting | With the transition to Where Food Comes From, Inc. as the Standard owner and administrator, the layout and organization of the Standard has been updated to reflect a normative style reflective of the Where Food Comes From portfolio of Programs and Standards. | Program definitions and normative references moved anterior; examples shifted to appendices. Language specific to Sections 6-8 removed and/or adjusted to fit new administrative model. Section 10 references are simplified and refer to external Brand Guidelines and licensing agreements. |
| Focus on measurable compliance elements | Clear, auditable elements are critical to the consistent application of the Standard across variable supply chains, regions, and Upcycled ingredients and items. As such, Standard language reflecting reporting or data collection not relevant to compliance decisions has been removed. | Language specific to Sections 4.4.1, 4.7, 4.8, and 4.10 removed. Annex B removed. Language specific to requirements outlined in Section 4.6 adjusted. |
| Terminology adjustments | Transition to Upcycled Certified Ingredient(s), Product(s), and Minimal Content Product(s) and adjustment of "Input" to Upcycled input(s) to simplify and ensure clear application of terminology. Applicant and Participant redefined. | See section 3.3.2 and Definitions of DRAFT Version 3 for reference. |
| Simplification of ineligibility references | Eligibility of Upcycled inputs will be determined based on the scope of the Standard and compliance with all applicable elements. This should continue to prevent any forestry products from achieving Certification as they are not eligible Upcycled inputs. Regional restrictions are no longer present in the program based on trademark registration. | Removal of 1.2 1) Inputs derived from wood and forestry products. Removal of 1.2 4) Goods for sale within countries for which an application for the certification trademark has not yet been submitted. |
| Secondary Waste | A newly introduced term in the Standard to define waste that occurs during the production of an Upcycled input or item seeking Certification after the original point of diversion from waste. | See section 3.3.6 of DRAFT Version 3 for reference. |

| Net food loss and waste tonnage impact | The concept of a net tonnage impact calculation has been introduced to prevent the possibility of an item incurring a net negative food loss and waste tonnage impact to achieve Certification. | See section 3.3.6 of DRAFT Version 3 for reference. |
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| Quality Assurance | All non-compliance, corrective action, withdrawal, suspension, renewal, and revision language have been moved to this section. | See section 4 and 4.1 of DRAFT Version 3 for reference. |