



EWPAA Media Release

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In 2006 the PAA brought an action against JAG and Mr Wintour for making statements that plywood tested by it complied with AS/NZS 2269 (the Standard) in circumstances where the PAA feared there was a risk those statements could be false.

JAG and Mr Wintour denied the allegations and have defended the claim.

However, the parties have now reached an out of court settlement pursuant to which the court proceedings will be discontinued.

JAG and Mr Wintour have agreed to a number of steps to address the PAA's concerns. Importantly, JAG and Mr Wintour must immediately cease representing that sheets of plywood comply with the Standard or that they have a particular F-Grade, and can resume this action only after giving the PAA details of how they will ensure compliance with all aspects of the Standard.

JAG and Mr Wintour have also agreed that any unused sheets of plywood sold by JAG or its agent with labels or marks referring to the Standard may be returned in exchange for a refund of the sale price.

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