

# SUBSTRATE REVIEW & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT:

# Meets FTC Green Guide Guidelines for Compostability

Cedar Grove offers technical review of wood-based products for acceptance in industrial composting. Products in this category include napkins, tray liners, wooden cutlery, stir sticks, uncoated paperboard and other, uncoated paper products.



## **Background**

There have been few options to support compostability claims for many paper and wooden service products as required by the FTC Green Guides. As a result, ASTM testing has been the default method for the wood and paper categories, even though the methods were not designed for these types of materials.

## **Solution**

Cedar Grove offers testing and substrate review of these materials for compostability. Passing Cedar Grove's compostability testing or substrate review process is evidence that the material meets the FTC Green Guide for compostability (16 CFR § 260.7) for modern compost facilities. This option saves manufacturers thousands of dollars on unnecessary or redundant testing.

#### **Cedar Grove Substrate Review and Product Development**

- Paper, uncoated paperboard and wood based items can be submitted for testing, substrate review or technical review prior to taking on the high cost of ASTM testing
- Products in development may also be reviewed by the Cedar Grove technical team to verify that they qualify as an acceptable carbon feedstock at Cedar Grove
- Passing Cedar Grove's compostable testing or substrate review process is evidence that the material meets the FTC Green Guide on compostability (16 CFR § 260.7) for modern commercial composting facilities.

Please ensure that your representations about your products comply with all aspects of the FTC guidelines.

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